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## The Weather

Today		Tomorrow	
High .....	86	High .....	85
Low .....	75	Low .....	75
Chance of rain .....	20%	Chance of rain .....	30%



Staff photo by Dave Einsel

High waters caused by heavy rains created many problems for early morning drivers passing by Zachry Engineering Center Wednesday.

Water rose to over two feet on Spence Street in front of the building. The flooding subsided in time for 8 a.m. classes.

## Child drowns as flood waters sweep local area

By GARY BARKER

**Battalion Staff**  
An 18-month-old boy drowned in north Bryan about 10:30 Wednesday morning when flood waters swept him out of his parents' mobile home.  
Brandon Russell Gustavus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Galen Gustavus of 4413 N. Texas Ave. #36, was carried down the street by the water and trapped in a culvert after his 2 1/2-year-old sister opened the door of their trailer home, Bryan police Sgt. Mark Ricketson said.  
The flash floods also caused major street flooding in parts of Bryan, Ricketson said. Parts of South College Avenue, Esther Boulevard, Coulter Drive, Williamson Drive, Carson Drive, East 23rd Street and East 29th Street were flooded. Sue Haswell Park in Bryan and a portion of Highway 21 East Bypass were also under water.  
Cars were stalled on many streets and one major traffic accident at East 29th Street and Main Street was caused by

the flooding.  
Several houses in the Wheeler Ridge and Pecan Ridge additions were damaged by the rain.  
Parts of Bryan received up to 6 inches of rain during the storm Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning, while the Texas A&M campus got 1.2 inches. Charlie Brenton of the meteorology department said the majority of the storm had passed over the Bryan-College Station area by Wednesday afternoon.  
The Brazos Valley was not the only place in Texas affected by flooding. Rains of up to 18 inches created serious flooding across a large section of north and central Texas, claiming the lives of three people in Tarrant County and an elephant in Gainesville and leaving hundreds others homeless.  
The huge storm system, which stretched from Abilene to Gainesville and south to Waco, was a remnant of Hurricane Norma which struck northern Mexico.

## May be used in Sudan Cairo gets planes

**United Press International**  
CAIRO, Egypt — The United States dispatched two AWACS surveillance aircraft to Cairo today to reinforce the region's defense and said they may be used in the Sudan where Egypt already has sent forces to counter threats from Libya.  
Sending the AWACS for an indefinite period was a move to assist President Hosni Mubarak as he takes control of the government following his swearing in Wednesday, a senior Western diplomat said.  
Egyptian officials said the planes — converted Boeing 707s with a giant saucer-shaped radar dome on top — would arrive around noon at Cairo West airfield, an air force base previously used for joint Egyptian-American military exercises.  
The Western diplomat said the United States had decided on a second measure to demonstrate American support of the new regime that vowed to carry on the policies of slain President Anwar Sadat, but that the move has not been announced.  
Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger said in Paris Wednesday at the start

of a European tour that the two U.S. Advanced Warning and Control System aircraft "should be helpful in conducting the defense of the whole region."  
He said the planes "probably" will only be in Egyptian air space but left open the possibility they would cruise elsewhere, such as Sudan where Libyan air attacks last week were reported.  
A senior defense official with Weinberger said the flying radar platforms might be used in Sudanese air space to counter Libyan air strikes into western Sudan.  
The official said AWACS in Sudanese air space could be defended from Libyan attack by U.S.-built Egyptian fighters or U.S. fighters from aircraft carriers in the Mediterranean Sea.  
Weinberger said on his Air Force jetliner the United States will try to speed deliveries of air defense systems, radar and tanks to the Sudan before the end of the year to thwart Libyan attacks.  
The U.S. decision to send the aircraft to Cairo raised the number of the sophisticated planes in the Middle East to six. Four are based in Saudi Arabia to protect their vital oil fields.

## Now in Brazos County Jail

## Quintans may appeal verdict

**By RANDY CLEMENTS**  
**Battalion Staff**  
Joel Aniceto Quintans, convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the April slaying of Frederick Axel Youngberg IV may appeal that verdict.  
Quintans was sentenced Sept. 25 to 15 years by a jury in the 272nd District Court.  
Although Doug Mulder, Quintans' attorney, said conditions are favorable for an appeal, no decision has been made to appeal the case. He said the basis for an appeal is an error in the trial, but, he said he doesn't know if errors in

the Quintans' trial will justify calling for a retrial of the case.  
If Quintans does appeal he will be eligible to be released from jail on bond while the appeal process is conducted.  
An appeal is an expensive undertaking, and if ordered by the appellate court, it could take up to two years before a new trial is ordered, he said.  
Since Quintans was convicted of the lesser charge of voluntary manslaughter, reduced from capital murder, Mulder predicted there would probably be less exposure in a retrial of the case than there was in the initial trial.

If Quintans is granted a new trial, Mulder said, the most his client can get is 20 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine — the maximum penalty for voluntary manslaughter.  
"A risk in getting a new trial is he could receive the maximum," he said. "However, he could be found innocent."  
"We'll just have to wait until the smoke clears and see what our chances for a favorable appeal will be."  
Quintans is in the Brazos County Jail pending 272nd District Court Judge Bradley Smith's formal sentencing, scheduled for Friday.

The sentencing, originally scheduled for Oct. 9, was postponed because Mulder was going to be out of state.  
The defense attorney said the decision whether or not to appeal will be made before the sentencing date.  
Quintans, formerly a freshman pre-med student at Texas A&M University, contended he was acting in self-defense April 20 when he stabbed Youngberg 24 times. Quintans and Youngberg, also a former pre-med student at Texas A&M, were both from Irving and had known each other in high school.

## Faculty group to meet today at 4 p.m.

The creation of a faculty senate or some similar body to increase the faculty's role in University governance will be discussed during a meeting at 4 p.m. today in Rudder Theater.  
Dr. Thomas J. Kozik, professor of mechanical engineering, and Dr. Robert E. Stewart, distinguished professor emeritus of agricultural engineering, are scheduled to chair the organizational meeting.  
The move to establish a faculty senate started in May when an ad hoc committee distributed 1,200 questionnaires asking faculty members whether they were interested in establishing such a body.  
Of the 594 questionnaires received, 338 faculty members (91 percent) expressed support for the idea.  
"At this meeting we'll get a consensus from faculty members and see what direction they want to go," Kozik said.  
Alternatives include a University senate which would include researchers and staff and a bicameral senate, with a faculty senate and the Academic Council working independently.  
Currently, the Academic Council is the primary University-wide body dealing with academic matters. The majority of members on the council are administrators, deans and department heads — only 34 of the 167 members are elected faculty members.  
But, Kozik said, the Academic Council does not reflect overall faculty opinion nor does it address issues that pertain to the faculty.  
The professor said he favors a bicameral senate.  
But, Texas A&M President Frank E. Vandiver said he prefers a University senate which would include staff and faculty as opposed to a senate comprised of only faculty.

## Aggie donors needed next week

### Organ drive aids science

**By DANIEL PUCKETT**  
**Battalion Reporter**  
This semester, for the first time, the Living Bank drive is being held simultaneously with the Aggie Blood Drive.  
The Living Bank, a joint project of Student Government and Alpha Phi Omega, seeks individuals who are willing to donate all or some of their organs to science after they die, said Beth Castenson, of the organization's public relations committee.  
A person wishing to donate his organs must sign a donor registration card which states his intentions.  
The registration cards are already being collected, but the main push in the drive will come next week, Castenson, a junior education major from Austin, said.  
A Living Bank table with a video presentation on the bank's program will be in the lobby of the Memorial Student Center the rest of this week and next week, and people will be available to answer questions.  
Among the most common misconceptions about organ donation, Castenson said, is the idea that consent to the program is irrevocable. She said if a potential donor changes his mind about the program, he can call the Living Bank and his card will be cancelled immediately.  
Furthermore, if the survivors of a donor are uncomfortable with the idea, they are not legally obligated to follow his wishes, she said.  
Castenson said that the bank held its first drive here last semester, when about 300 cards were collected. She said that more than 30 cards have been filled out in the last two days.



### Blood drive benefits Dallas cancer research

**By DANIEL PUCKETT**  
**Battalion Reporter**  
To find a cure for cancer and to save lives are two reasons to donate blood next week, Aggie Blood Drive Chairman Tony LeCara says.  
LeCara, a junior chemical engineering major from Friendswood, said blood collected here is sent to the Wadley Institute of Molecular Medicine in Dallas, where it is used for cancer patients and research in cancer treatment. In return, the Wadley Central Blood Bank, through the Aggie Blood Club, guarantees students, former students, faculty, staff and their families lifetime free blood credits.  
The drive, sponsored by Student Government, Alpha Phi Omega and Omega Phi Alpha, begins Monday and continues for four days. Bloodmobiles will be set up in front of Sbsa Dining Hall and the Commons and will operate from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Another station will be open in 212 and 224 MSC from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday.  
Most students are eligible to donate blood, said Bob Mahurin, co-ordinator of the drive for the blood bank. Students under 18 need the written consent of a parent, and students who have had certain diseases, such as hepatitis, syphilis or cardiovascular ailments, may not participate.  
However, he said, screening is done at the collection stations, so students who are not sure of their eligibility can find out when they come to donate.  
Besides helping others, donors can help their favorite organization win the Keg Contest by designating the organi-

zation to receive one credit. University clubs, Corps of Cadets outfits or residence halls are among the organizations which can receive credits.  
The organization with the highest number of credits will win three kegs of beer. The second-place organization will win two kegs, and the third, one keg. All three groups also will win a plaque.  
The Keg Contest is just one part of what Mahurin calls the most successful college blood drive in the United States. Last semester, the Aggie Blood Drive collected almost 2,000 pints of blood. This semester, organizers hope to reach the 2,500 mark. They stress that donating blood, while not exactly fun, is not the difficult, painful process many think.  
The donation process has three steps, Mahurin said. First, the donor fills out a source card, which contains 30 to 40 questions about his general health and medical history. The questionnaire takes about five minutes to complete.  
Second, a nurse goes over the card with the student, then takes his temperature, checks his blood pressure, weighs him, and runs an iron test on his blood. This takes from 10 to 12 minutes.  
Finally, if all the tests are favorable, the donor lies down on a table. A nurse inserts a relatively narrow-gauge needle into his arm, and collects a pint of his blood. Actual collection of blood lasts only seven to 10 minutes.  
After a 10-minute rest and some juice and cookies, the blood donor is free to go, having spent about 40 minutes in the collection station. As he leaves, he fills out his organization card and receives a free blood drive cashholder.