

Local

Council approves placement of plaque in main lounge

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MSC Council members Thursday approved the placement of the president's Association plaque on the south wall of the main lounge, and not the north wall as originally proposed.

living room atmosphere of the main lounge; and the lack of an over-all plan allowing for the addition of more plaques.

Council President Doug Dedecker said a spokesman for the Development Office, which is commissioning the \$30,000 plaque, came to the Building Studies Committee meeting to determine the students' reaction to the plaque.

Technically, the Development Office is not required to go to the Council, but could go directly to

the President's Office, he said.

Some Council members said they were against putting the plaque against the north wall because it would remove from the wall the china collection donated by Hugo C. Heldenfels, which members claimed was conducive to the lounge atmosphere.

However, Jim Reynolds, director of the MSC, asked the Council if they really thought the atmosphere, which he said couldn't be harmed by anything, was more important than the

ideals behind the Development Office's wish to honor those individuals, corporations and foundations of the Presidents Association that had contributed vast amounts of money to the University and the MSC.

Members were also against the main lounge turning into a "trophy room." But the passed motion satisfied the members on this issue because the plaques on the south wall will have to be removed.

Lookout, lock up when leaving

Crime could crinkle cheer

By ELI JONES
Battalion Reporter
Shoppers carrying more money than usual and people leaving home for the holidays are expected to push the College Station crime rate upward during this Christmas season, a city police officer says.

He advises people to keep their Christmas presents in the closet, out of burglars' sight and to take anything portable of value with them when leaving home for the holidays.

"The main thing, of course, is people should take extra time to check and double-check to see that they lock their house when they leave," Kapella advised. "A good security system consisting of dead bolt locks and timers for the

lights is always a good investment."

Putting timers on lights, and leaving a radio on gives the appearance of someone being home. Strong locks that can keep a burglar out for only a few minutes will also deter burglars.

"Another safety tip, especially for students, is to ask those students who stay on campus during the holidays to watch their apartments while they are gone," the

officer said.

In spite of the expected increase in burglary attempts, police protection will not be increased in College Station.

"We are not putting out any extra police officers, but we are trying to inform the public and local businesses about ways to protect themselves," Kapella said. "If people just learn to eliminate the opportunity, crime will be eliminated."

Group rides for holidays created for cycling safety

Riding home on a motorcycle for the holidays can be both dangerous and boring, but a Texas A&M motorcycle club can make the trip safer and more enjoyable.

Club member Rolf Butter said the list will be posted in the Memorial Student Center near the Hitching Post, a board where students sign up to share rides in cars.

"The main reason we are doing this is because it is very boring to travel a long distance by yourself," Butter said. "Also, with the traffic so busy over the holidays, motor-

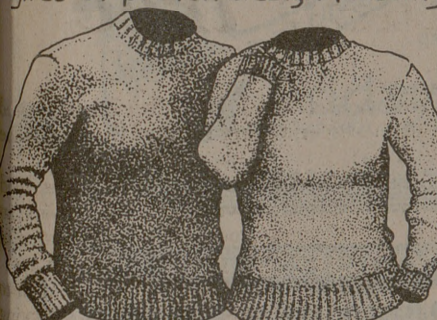
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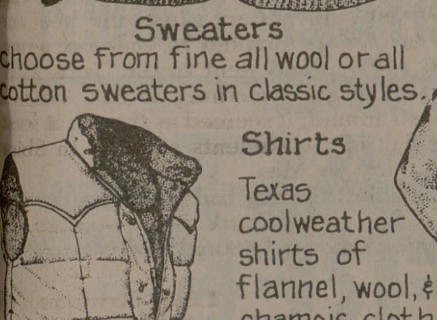
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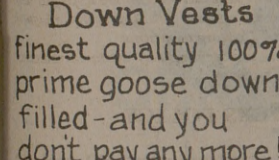
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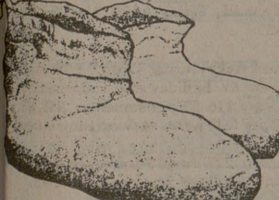
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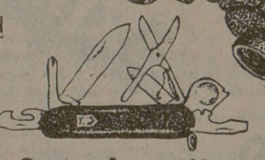
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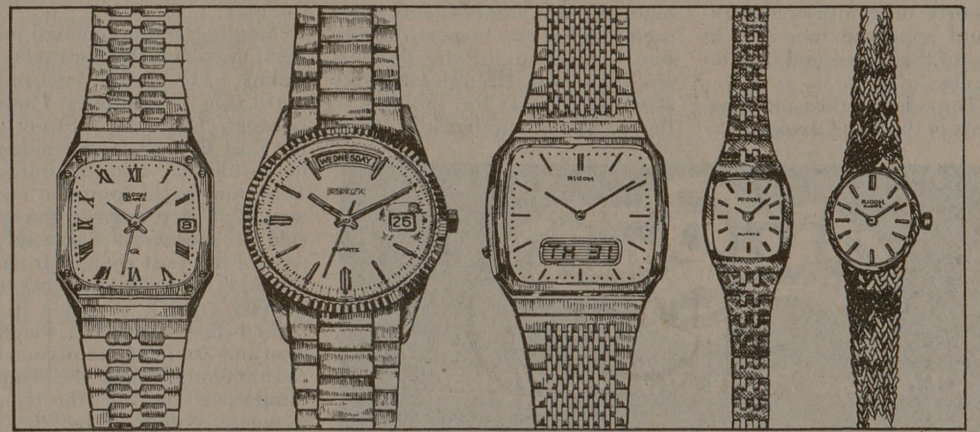
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