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## Reagan stresses tax laws

WASHINGTON — President Reagan says he won't raise taxes, but he's planning to try to raise revenue with new tax laws designed to gather in all the money now lawfully due the government.

Treasury Secretary Donald Regan said Wednesday the government plans to hire 5,000 more Internal Revenue Service agents to help collect taxes.

And, he said, it also will propose to withhold taxes on dividends and interest as it is paid, rather than waiting until the end of the tax year.

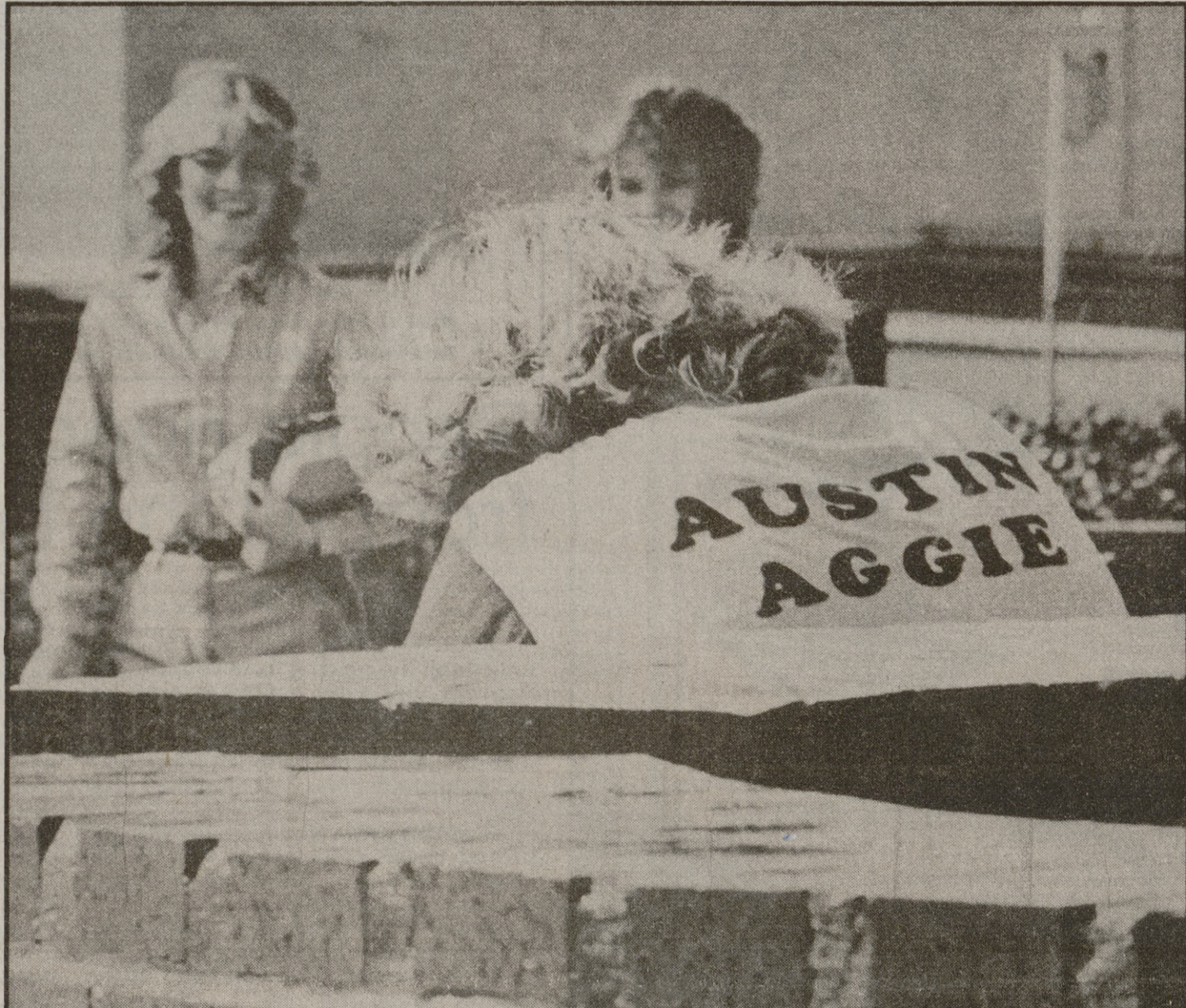
These were among a package of proposals by which the administration hopes to raise nearly \$32 billion in 1983 and 1984 combined, according to Treasury figures, by closing "loopholes," increasing enforcement and speeding up collections of taxes due.

President Reagan in his State of the Union message ruled out excise or other general tax increases.

One part of the package will tighten the rules under which corporations now pay minimum income tax. As a result, Regan said, "Every company that earns money will pay a tax. If you're losing money you won't pay a tax."

Under the administration's plan, 5 percent of taxes due on interest and dividend income would be withheld "at the source" — by the corporation paying the dividend, or the bank paying the interest.

However, people over 65 with a tax liability of \$500 or less — or elderly couples, together earning less than \$14,907 (in 1983) — would be exempt from the withholding requirement.



Can it be?

While sitting by the fountains near Harrington Tower, Laura Langham, a freshman who hopes to enter the Forestry department, dis-

plays her loyalties to both Austin and Texas A&M on the back of her t-shirt.

staff photo by Eric Mitchell

## General freed in police raid

ROME — A police anti-terrorist squad freed U.S. Army Brig. Gen. James L. Dozier from his Red Brigades terrorist gang kidnappers today, police said. The NATO general was in good condition after 42 days in captivity, they said.

Officers said the police raiders found Dozier guarded by five Red Brigades members in an apartment in the northern city of Padua, 310 miles north of the capital. All five terrorists were arrested, they said.

They said no injuries were reported in the raid.

Dozier, 50, was kidnapped by the Red Brigades Dec. 17 from his home in Verona, 46 miles west of Padua.

The operation to free the general took place at 11:30 a.m. local time (5:30 a.m. EST), police said, after the raiders had put the apartment under surveillance Wednesday night.

"We've found Dozier in good

health," a police spokesman said.

In Washington, a State Department spokesman confirmed Dozier had been freed and said the Rome Embassy's deputy chief of mission was with the general.

"A member of our embassy staff in Rome is now with him," State Department spokesman Joe Reap.

"Ambassador Maxwell Rabb has expressed our gratitude to the Italian government for their efforts to obtain General Dozier's release," Reap said.

Dozier, chief of administration and logistics at NATO's southern Europe land force headquarters, was kidnapped from his Verona apartment by four Red Brigades members disguised as plumbers who knocked him unconscious, stuffed him into a box, and hauled him away in a truck.

The liberation of the general marked the first time police have freed a Red Brigades' captive since the gang was formed 11 years ago.

## Senate keeps mum on Board

by Tim Foadre

It didn't take long Wednesday night for the student senate to knock down a resolution protesting the method in which the Texas A&M University Board of Regents recently hired Athletic Director Jackie Sherrill.

The resolution, submitted by senators Jim Harris and Adren Pilger, denounced the "despicable and unethical procedure" endorsed by the regents in the search and hiring of the new AD.

An amendment to the resolution proposing to soften its language also was voted down.

Senators did, however, approve a bill recommending the allocation of approximately \$3,600 to buy two exercise machines for the weight room in East Kyle. Dr. John Koldus, University vice president for student services, will review the proposal before a purchase is made.

After the meeting, discussion of the defeated proposal continued.

Student Government Communications Director Lilli Dollinger said the fact that the senate did not approve the resolution does not mean the senators condone the regents' action.

Dollinger said many senators do not think it is the senate's place to comment on the subject (of regents' actions) and the resolution would not have made any difference.

Both sides of the debate were well represented, Dollinger said. Based on this, she said, the senate made the choice not to make a statement.

However, Student Body President Ken Johnson said he was disappointed with the brevity and substantive content of the debate. He said Harris and Pilger approached the subject wholeheartedly in the right way.

Unfortunately, Johnson said, the language in their resolution was too strong for many senators to approve.

Harris said although the senate cannot present one opinion that represents all 35,000 students, it still has



staff photo by Kyle Thomas

Fred Seals, defends the Board of Regents at the Student Government meeting.

the duty to speak against the board's unpopular action.

"We feel students on campus have an opinion and the student government should be the one to present this opinion to the board of regents," Harris said. "I can't believe that 35,000 students didn't want something said."

Harris said that while he believes some senators think it isn't the senate's place to rebuke the board of regents, others are reluctant to speak against the regents.

"There's a lot of people in here who don't have the guts to say what we said," Harris said. "They're not willing to put their names or the name of the senate on the line."

The resolution's other sponsor, Adren Pilger, said many senators were afraid of how the resolution would be interpreted. "Now I'm worried about how this (the 53-15 failure of the resolution) will be interpreted," he said.

Fred Seals, graduate off-campus senator, said the regents make the rules and are entitled to change them.

"The Board of Regents can do anything it wants," he said. "If Vandiver didn't like what the Board did, he could either resign or swallow his pride and stay on."

## Allen to begin SCONA 27

## Soviet foreign policy topic

by Bill Robinson

Former U.S. presidential adviser Richard Allen will head a list of international luminaries speaking at the 27th Student Conference on National Affairs.

The conference, established at Texas A&M University in 1955, is held annually to discuss topics of international significance. Perspectives on the foreign policy of the Soviet Union will be the topic of SCONA 27 which begins Feb. 10.

Student delegates to the conference come from around the world, including the Soviet Union, West Germany, Canada, Mexico, Chile, Kuwait, the Dominican Republic and most of the United States. All speeches as well as delegates' round table discussions take place in the Memorial Student Center Complex and are open to the public.

Allen was invited to present the American side of Soviet foreign policy because of his experience in U.S.-Soviet relations, said Terry Quirk, SCONA 27 chairman.

However, Allen is perhaps better known for the controversy surrounding his dismissal as President Ronald Reagan's National Security Adviser in January.

A Japanese writer gave Allen \$1,000 after arranging an interview with Nancy Reagan, which



he never turned over to the Treasury Department. Allen also received three Seiko watches worth about \$400.

In addition, it was discovered in an FBI investigation that Allen had provided inaccurate information on his financial disclosure report filed last Feb-

ruary with the Office of Government Ethics.

In an incident Allen called a "dumb mistake," he listed the sale date of his international consulting business as 1978 rather than 1981, thus avoiding disclosure of the company's worth and its sale price.

Allen took a leave of absence in November and resigned after senior administration officials raised doubts over his judgement and his effectiveness to the Administration.

He will give the opening address for SCONA Feb. 10 at 2:45 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium. Speeches by other figures in the field of Soviet foreign policy will take place in Rudder Theater.

Presenting the Russian view of Soviet foreign policy and the balance of power will be Minister Oleg M. Sokolov, second in command to Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin.

Also presenting Soviet views will Longin Patusiak, deputy director of the Research Institute on Contemporary Capitalism in Poland. He will explain Soviet policy in Eastern Europe.

Dr. Roger E. Kanet, a political science professor and member of the Russian and East Europe Center at the University of Illinois, will discuss Soviet policy in developing nations. Kanet has a fellowship at the Russian Institute on Communist Affairs at Columbia University.

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## Commission pursues art development

by Sherry A. Evans

An arts program at Texas A&M University good enough to make people drive 200 miles out of their way to see it is the goal of the Texas A&M Commission on the Visual Arts, an organizer of the commission said.

J. Wayne Stark, special assistant to the University president for cultural development and an organizer of the visual arts commission, along with six others connected with the commission's work, recently returned from a fact-finding tour that should help move the University toward that goal. The group toured several East Coast museums including the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the Fogg Museum, Har-

vard University, the Herbert F. Johnson Museum, Cornell University and the Yale University Art Gallery.

A major priority of the commission involves the construction of a museum to house the Texas A&M art collection. "We can't accept anything if we don't have a place to put it," Stark said.

Texas A&M is one of the few universities in the nation without an art museum, Stark said.

The purpose of the tour was to answer such questions as what kind of art Texas A&M should specialize in; where to find qualified staffing, professionals and architects for a museum and how to correctly provide lighting, guards and insurance for the facility, Stark said.

The majority of Texas A&M's art collection currently is located in the main lounge of the Memorial Student Center. Stark said the assemblage includes a "valuable and important collection of Texas artists," including works by E.M. "Buck" Schiwetz.

Many other pieces such as prints, sketches, sculptures and Wedgwood commemorative china plates are on display all over campus, Stark said. Paintings from the collection have been hung in the offices of the president, the vice presidents and the chancellor.

With the museum in the planning stages, the commission still must decide how to raise funds for such an undertaking, Stark said. Financial backing for the museum will have to be depen-

dent on contributions from "people who would like to see more art at A&M — interested parents, friends and graduates of A&M," he said.

Although still collecting and tabulating notes from the trip, Stark said the group obtained "a great paradox of ideas which should be very useful."

The commission currently has plans to tour Midwest museums in February and the West Coast in March.

Besides developing plans for a museum at Texas A&M, the commission is studying such projects as recommending a form of continuing support for the commission's work and studying the feasibility of a "percent for art" program

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## forecast

Today's forecast: mostly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-60s; low in the upper 40s. Friday's forecast also includes cloudy skies with no significant temperature change.