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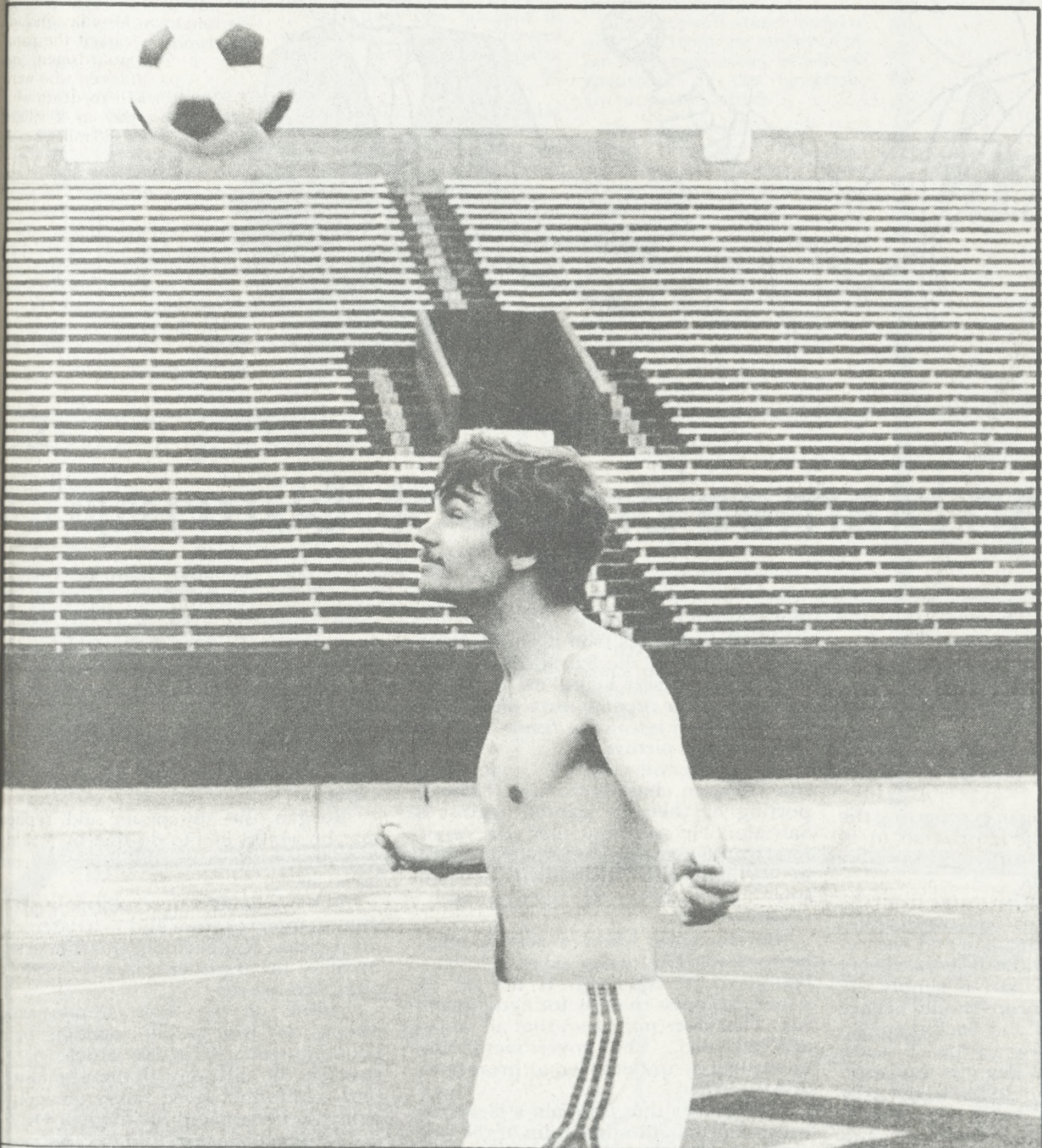
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Heads Up

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Freshman Steve Koch uses his head during his PE class Wednesday afternoon. Koch is a general studies major from Houston.

## More dead on West Bank as Israel jails Palestinian dissidents

**United Press International**  
TEL AVIV, Israel — Israeli officials, waging the most significant battle in Israeli history against bloody protests convulsing the occupied West Bank, jailed hundreds of Palestinian dissidents, Israeli television said.

Officials Wednesday placed the toll at five Palestinians dead and 20 wounded since violence sparked by the Israeli dismissal of a West Bank

town council erupted a week ago today.

At least nine Israeli soldiers and civilians were injured. Most were hit by stones but one soldier was stabbed, the officials said.

At the United Nations, 22 Arab nations demanded the Security Council condemn Israel for brutal attacks against Palestinian protesters in the occupied West Bank.

A tentative Arab resolution did not

seek sanctions against the Jewish state, but sought condemnation of its attacks on West Bank demonstrators and repressive measures against the Syrian population of the Golan Heights.

Despite official Israeli contentions the protests were petering out, the disturbances were the worst in a week and the bloodiest in six years of Israeli occupation.

## Nicaragua offers peace outline to U.N. today

**United Press International**  
UNITED NATIONS — Nicaragua, warning of U.S. invasion plans, took a peace proposal for war-torn Central America to the U.N. Security Council today and said its success depends on Washington.

Diplomatic sources emphasized the atmosphere had changed since junta leader Daniel Ortega sent a strongly worded request for an emergency session because of an imminent U.S. invasion, and he was expected to concentrate today on prom-

oting negotiations.

In Mexico, Foreign Minister Jorge Castaneda announced earlier the United States and Nicaragua would meet soon in Mexico City to try and resolve their differences.

"Our proposal isn't going to be a magic force," Ortega said before leaving Managua Wednesday to present his plan to the United Nations. "It's the attitude of the American government that is going to determine" what happens.

On their arrival in New York, his

Foreign Minister Miguel D'Escoto said "happily, for the first time they (the Reagan administration) have responded to our pleas to talk."

Ortega did not give details, but junta member Rafael Cordoba said his peace proposal was similar to one made Tuesday by Honduran Foreign Minister Edgardo Paz in Washington.

Honduras suggested all Central American nations disarm, sign an international accord to stop the flow of weapons into the area and set up regular talks to reduce tensions.

## Regents reassign two officials within System

by Johna Jo Maurer  
Battalion Staff

Along with Tuesday's appointment of a new Texas A&M University System chancellor came the reassign-

ment of two other key System officials.

Dr. Alvin I. Thomas, president of Prairie View A&M University since 1966, will become the executive vice president for facilities and development of the Prairie View A&M Col-

lege of Nursing in Houston, effective June 1.

That move was approved by the System Board of Regents along with the reassignment of Dr. Daniel C. Pfannstiel, director of the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service since 1976.

Pfannstiel will head a new doctorate program in Texas A&M University's Department of Agricultural Education. He will assume this position Sept. 1.

Thomas' reassignment came after he requested the Texas A&M System Board of Regents to reassign him. In a letter to the regents, he cited health and personal considerations as his reasons for wanting to step down from the office as of June 1.

"Dr. Thomas will not be responsible for the academic part of the nursing college, but will manage the facilities there," said Dr. C.A. Wood, director of information for Prairie View A&M.

Wood said a search committee will be formed soon to find a permanent president for Prairie View A&M. He said the search will probably be completed by September.

Regents appointed Dr. Ivory V. Nelson, current vice president for Research and Special Projects at Prairie View, to serve as acting president until a permanent president is found.

The new doctorate program in agricultural education to be headed by Pfannstiel is set to begin in the fall. That program will be coordinated by Dr. Earl H. Knebel.

## Guatemalan leader denies U.S. knowledge of coup

**United Press International**  
GUATEMALA CITY — A rightist politician who advocates total war against leftist rebels said he helped dissident military officers oust President Romeo Lucas Garcia but denied Washington had advance knowledge of the coup.

"Movements such as this cannot take place without civilians," Lionel Sisniega Otero told UPI Wednesday, of his involvement in the Tuesday coup against the Lucas regime. "I was one of the civilians who took part in the movement."

Sisniega's admission was the first solid indication of the political beliefs of the Young Officers Movement now controlling the Central American nation of 7.2 million.

During a frustrated bid for power in the March 7 elections, Sisniega's party — the staunchly anti-communist and far-right National Liberation Movement — urged all-

out war against some 4,000 leftist rebels fighting the regime.

Sisniega, a vice presidential candidate during the allegedly fraudulent elections, said he helped plan the military ouster with Gen. Jose Efraim Rios Montt, head of Guatemala's new three-man military junta.

The New York Times reported in today's editions U.S. officials acknowledged they knew of the plans for a coup as early as January.

The Reagan administration, which had hoped to strengthen ties with Guatemala to help it battle a burgeoning leftist insurgency but also had demanded fair elections, did not issue an immediate comment on the report.

But Sisniega, whose party charged the ousted regime with rigging the vote in favor of the government candidate and winner Gen. Angel Anibal Guevara, denied the Reagan administration had advance knowledge.

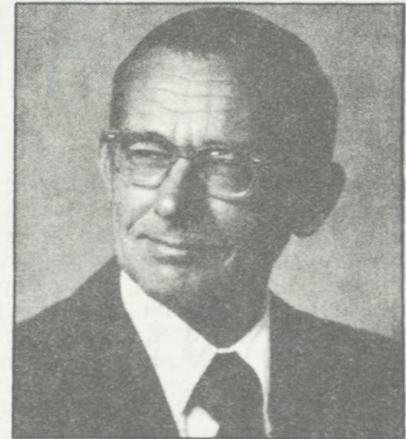
"The first reaction of the United

States was surprise," Sisniega said. "Even their intelligence service did not know of it (the coup)."

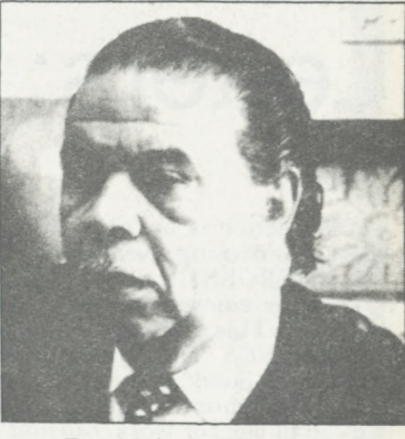
At a reception in the capital by some 200 supporters, Sandoval Alarcon said he plans to forge ahead with a coalition with the Christian Democrats to bring new elections for Guatemala. Sandoval Alarcon is a former vice president.

The three-man junta Wednesday filled eight Cabinet posts with officers, suspended the constitution, banned all political activity, dissolved congress and purged three top opposition generals. But the future role of rightist politicians such as Sisniega is unclear.

Military aid to Guatemala was halted in 1977 in a dispute over the Carter administration's demand for a better human-rights record, but the Reagan administration had hoped to restore arms supplies to fight the leftist guerrillas.



Dr. Daniel C. Pfannstiel



Dr. Alvin I. Thomas

## Deadline to reserve dorm spaces Friday

Students who live on campus have until Friday to reserve residence hall spaces for Fall 1982. However, students need to check with their resident advisers to make sure their hall does not have an earlier deadline.

Thomas R. Murray, central area coordinator, said head residents and resident advisers received residents' housing reservation cards earlier this week and the sign-up process has begun.

All residents' cards must be turned in to the head resident by Friday.

Murray said head residents will turn in their completed rosters, in-hall room changes and residents' cards to the area office Monday. The area offices will turn in the cards of students who will not live on campus next fall to the housing office Tuesday.

On Wednesday, personnel in the four area offices will meet and make hall changes, Murray said.

Confirmation cards will be sent to students Thursday to let them know if requested hall changes were approved.

## Voting drive on to register students in Brazos County

Student Government's annual voter registration drive, which runs through Wednesday, will encourage students to register in Brazos County, the drive chairman says.

Chairman Fred Billings said the drive will run in conjunction with the March 30 and 31 student elections in an effort to promote voter awareness among students.

Registering to vote in Brazos County presents several advantages for students, Billings said. It may be

difficult for students who are registered to vote in their home counties because the election might not coincide with a time when they are home, Billings said.

Also, since students spend nine months a year or more in College Station, candidates elected here probably will affect them more than those elected in their home county.

Billings said voter registration cards are available in posters in buildings, on kiosks around campus, and in

the student government office, 216C MSC. Posters also will be available at the student government election polls.

A student must re-register if he has changed his address or if he has not voted in two years. To change his voter registration to Brazos County, a student can mail in a card and his registration will be transferred automatically.

Billings expects between 3,000 and 6,000 students to register during the student government drive this year.

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### forecast

Today's forecast: Overcast and humid with drizzle and dense fog becoming windy and cooler this afternoon. Today's high should be in the upper 60s a low tonight in the lower 40s. Friday's forecast calls for cloudy skies with a high in the mid-60s.