

#### Cadet first to receive foreign commission

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Gary, center, petroleum engineer major from Spring, plays with Alicia Lewis, left, and Joycelyn Heard, right at the Faith United Church of Christ. The children

are from the Mental Health-Mental Retardation Center in Bryan. was raised at the Parent's Day Barbeque to donate to the center. Gary is one of the many donators from Keathly Hall.

#### Grads: go directly to G. Rollie

by Daniel Puckett

Battalion Staff
Degree candidates should arrive at
Rollie White Coliseum at least 30 before commencement. ssistant Registrar Don Gardner

Gardner is coordinating the comncement activities.

He said degree candidates should emble on the third floor of the Colum; signs will direct participants to he proper area. The candidates then vill be lined up and taken to the Colum floor.

The first commencement cere-ony, at 2 p.m. Friday, will be for aduating seniors in the colleges of griculture, Geosciences and Liberal , as well as for master's and docoral degree candidates. The commencement speaker will be George Mitchell, general chairman of the Target 2000 Project and business ex-

Lending a helping hand

The Target 2000 Project is a committee established by the Texas A&M System Board of Regents to study problems the System may face in the next 20 years and to recommend solutions for those problems.
The 7:30 p.m. ceremony will honor

graduating seniors from the colleges of Architecture, Engineering and Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Herbert Reynolds, president of Baylor University, will deliver the commencement address.

Degrees will be awarded at 9 a.m. Saturday to graduating seniors from the colleges of Business Administration, Education and Science, as well as those from Texas A&M University at Galveston. System Chancellor Frank W.R. Hubert will give the commencement address.

The ceremonies should last about two to two and a half hours, Gardner said. The Friday afternoon ceremony will have the smallest number of degree candidates — about 800 — because "hooding" the doctoral degree candidates consumes so much time.

Hooding refers to the process of placing a cowl over the candidate's

The other ceremonies each will honor about 900 to 1,000 graduates. Gardner said the Coliseum holds about 5,000 guests. Graduates may bring as many guests as they wish, but seating is on a first-come, first-served

## Diplomacy hoped to end fighting soon

United Press International
Argentina and Britain, stung by heavy military losses, returned to intense diplomacy today to settle the bloody dispute over the Falkland Islands with the help of the United Nations, the United States and Peru.

In Buenos Aires, Argentina put the economy on more of a war footing Wednesday, then called for an immediate ceasefire and said U.N. mediation was the most appropriate path to settle the conflict.

"I have to be cautious, but I have some reasonable hope," U.N. Secret-ary General Javier Perez de Cuellar told reporters after announcing Argentina's positive response to his intervention.

Amid the flurry of diplomatic activity, both Britain and Argentina reported no new outbreaks of fight-

In Washington, British Ambassador Nicholas Henderson met with Secretary of State Alexander Haig and delivered his country's response to a separate U.S.-Peruvian proposal for a cease-fire and troop withdrawal.

"In my opinion, the Haig efforts are the most helpful basis for achieving a settlement, but I do not exclude anything else and certainly not the United Nations," British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym told Parliament Wednesday.

But Argentine U.N. delegate Jorge Herrera Vegas disagreed because Washington sided with Britain.

"It would be very difficult for Gen. Haig to be an honest broker any further in this matter," he said. A diplomatic official in Washing-

ton said the heavy casualties on both sides in the South Atlantic fighting has made diplomatic activity more in-

tense and urgent.
"I think this is a very sensitive period in the crisis," Haig said, but declined to elaborate.

A spokesman for the British U.N. mission said Britain informed Perez de Cuellar "we are urgently studying his proposals. We hope to respond

In London, Prime Minister Mar-garet Thatcher was under growing pressure from Washington, NATO allies and a nation shocked by at least 30 deaths and 50 injuries in Argenti-na's attack on the HMS Sheffield

Military analysts said the British fleet may have withdrawn from near the Falklands while hunting two Argentine submarines lurking inside the 200-mile exclusion zone around

## Free enterprise center educates in economics

Battalion Reporter
If you have trouble understanding the daily stock market report, don't know what the Gross National Product is and don't have any ideas about how to curb inflation or balance the national budget — you're not alone.

Several studies done in the last decade indicate many Americans know little about these topics or other economic issues.

Because of such misunderstandings, the State Legislature passed a bill in 1977 requiring economic education programs for children in Texas primary and secondary schools. The courses now are included in public school curriculums.

To help teachers and school districts comply with the law, Texas A&M established the Center for Education and Research in FVREE Enter-Dr. Larry Wolken, a Texas

A&M economics professor, said.
Since its establishment in Septem-

assisted public schools throughout the state with teacher training, development of instructional materials and curriculum planning.

As the associate director for economic program development, Wolken plays a leading role in one of the Center's major programs, the American

The institute, a four-week work-shop held each summer at Texas A&M, allows public school teachers to earn five hours of graduate credit three in economics and two in educa-

"Many teachers have had little or no economic training," Wolken said. "We cover the basic concepts and try to show ways to naturally infuse economics into the courses they are

teaching."
Dr. Sharon Colson, assistant director of the Center, said the institute will host 50 teachers at its session in

June.
"We send invitations to every

in their applications," she said. "Enrollment is limited to 50, so we discriminate on the basis of teams. We would rather train groups of teachers than individuals, because a core of people are more likely to go back and be a nucleus for change

Since some school district representatives cannot attend the work-shop, the Center also offers a Free Enterprise Extension Service, Colson said. The service is provided to public schools for in-service training of free enterprise teachers.

Wolken said the service always is in

high demand.

"Right now we have more districts than we can handle," he said. " In the past year we went to El Paso, Houston, Corpus Christi, Brownsville, Abilene and Dallas."

But the extension service is not limited to Texas schools, Wolken said. The center has been asked to present

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#### Faculty, staff receive awards

University faculty and staff members will meet at 2 p.m. today in Rudder Auditorium for the largest facultystaff meeting of the year.

During the meeting, 18 faculty and staff members will be recognized for outstanding achievement in teaching, research, student relations, continuing education/extension and general staff or administrative work

The awards, funded by the Association of Former Students, include a gold watch, a plaque and a \$5,000 check for each recipient.

Selections for the awards are made by a secret committee composed of a representative from each college, two former students, student representatives from Student Government, the Residence Hall Association, the Gra-

duate Student Council, the Corps of Cadets, the MSC Council, two at-large student members, one representative from each of the experiment stations and extension services, one from the Office of University Research and one from the Office of Continuing

Dr. Clinton A. Phillips, dean of faculties, serves as chairman for the committee.

### Computer whiz kid

#### freshman says University computer system is accessible to anyone

by Laura Williams

Battalion Staff
Texas A&M University is unable to event people who have access to a omputer linked with the Data Prossing Center from tampering with de University computer system, ames Hallers II says.

Hallers, 19, a freshman computer ience major from Houston, was rrested and charged last week with tampering with government records, a third degree felony. He was re-leased on \$300 bond Thursday.

He is being investigated for using is home computer to change grades In University computer files. Home erminals can be hooked up to the University computer system by concting the DPC.

No disciplinary action has been aken by the University. "But, here at the University, you're quilty until proven innocent," Hallers said. "There are two people they alleged I changed grades for that I



James Hallers

"I'm not able to get into any file that anyone else taking a computer science course can't get into. They have no security system on this com-

Hallers said he found and opened computer files for Chemistry 101 and 102 files while scanning the list of files in the University computer system.

"The chemistry grades are put on user discs because the DPC told them to put them there," he said. "Students are mainly on user discs, so I'd say the files are pretty much public.

"They were labeled by their course and section number, so anyone could figure out what they are. That was one of the brighter moves on the part

Hallers said he only saw chemistry grades and test answers, not those of

any other courses.
Dr. Dick B. Simmons, director of the DPC, said Hallers could not have entered the chemistry file without using a password other than his own, or without intentionally working out a

"He worked very hard to get into that chemistry file," Simmons said Wednesday. "He used over \$250 of time out of other accounts. I also know that he has been into other sys-

The chemistry department did not have (the grades) in the most secure place, but he knew what he was doing," he said. "Where they put them is not their problem, though. They were just very lax with their security procedures. The files are not accessible to any student using the

Dr. Rod O'Connor, director of the first-year chemistry program, investigated the possibility of scholastic dishonesty after he was informed of students' access to chemistry files.

Hallers said: "There were four people who truly knew what was

going on, and the guy who told Dr. O'Connor (about me) was messing around with us. I think I'm getting a pretty bad deal because I could tell you of at least eight people I know who are getting into files like I am.'

O'Connor recommended to University officials Friday that Hallers should receive an F in his chemistry class and should be dismissed from the University.

Hallers said: "I talked with Dr. O'Connor Saturday for several hours, and Sunday he suggested to some officials that I be allowed to finish out my semester.

O'Connor said Tuesday that Hallers still is enrolled in his class and will be allowed to complete the semester.

Hallers' final grade in the class will depend on the outcome of the investigation, which has been complicated by other names surfacing in the investigation of illegal access to computer files, O'Connor said.

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Today's Forecast: Cloudy, warm and humid today with a 50 percent chance of rain, increasing to 80 percent tonight and 50 percent tomorrow. The high today will be in the low-70s.