

# Mark White attacks Clements' policies

by Tracey Taylor  
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Governor William Clements is exclusively responsible for Texas' problems, Mark White, the Democratic gubernatorial candidate, said in Rudder Theater Tuesday.

White's appearance was sponsored by MSC Political Forum; about 100 students and local residents listened as White listed what he called Clements' failures as governor.

The public education system is Clements' biggest failure, White said. He referred to Clements' current radio ads which advertise the 44 percent increase in teacher's salaries under the Republican administration.

"This (increase) did not occur because of, but rather in spite of,

Bill Clements," White said. "In fact, Clements only asked for a total of 7.1 percent in increases. It was the Legislature that raised the salaries."

However, he said that he was opposed to teachers having the legal right to unionize.

"I do not believe that any public official, at any level, should be allowed to strike and disrupt service to the public," he said.

The state's education system is in bad shape, and can only get worse if Clements remains in office, White said.

"Eight years of neglected education is a wasted generation," he said. "If re-elected, Bill Clements will have been in office eight years."

When asked about raising the legal drinking age to 21, White

said that while it appears it would be helpful, he has not seen enough evidence to take a stand on the subject.

White said he does oppose a bill which, he said, calls for Texans with Mexican surnames to carry special identification verifying their citizenship. He said the measure would discriminate against Mexican-Americans.

Other critical issues facing Texans are increases in utility regulations, neglected highways and interest rates, White said.

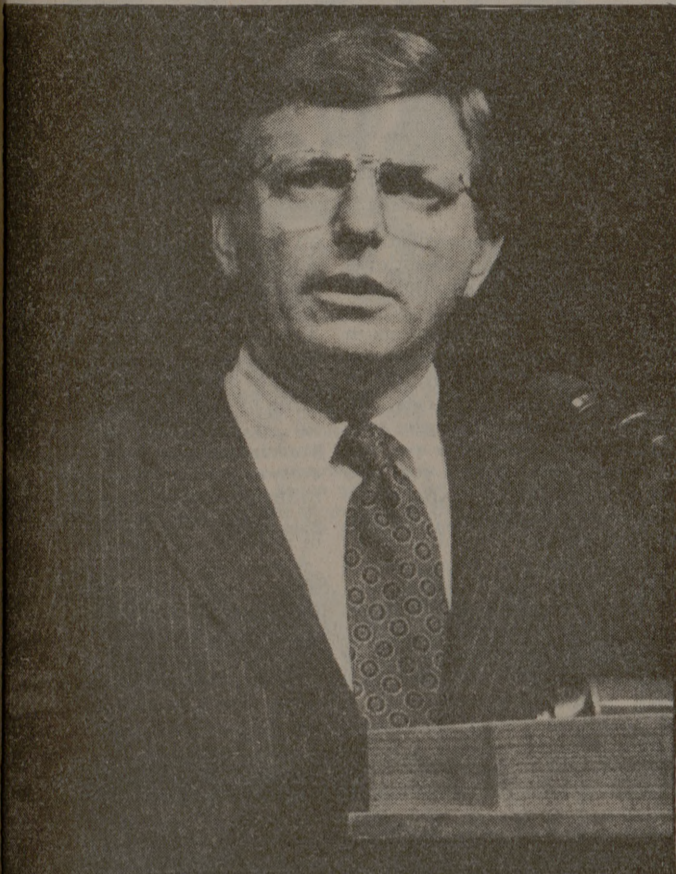
White said he believes that if elected governor, he could solve these problems.

"These (problems) did not have to occur and did occur because Bill Clements was governor."

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Attorney General Mark White

# Council's role to be studied

by Rebeca Zimmermann  
Battalion Staff  
Texas A&M President Frank E. Vandiver appointed an ad-hoc committee to study the Academic Council's future role in University affairs at Tuesday's council meeting.

After receiving no response from faculty members following the August council meeting, Vandiver formed the ad-hoc committee to study the council's role in light of the proposed faculty senate functions.

The committee, chaired by Dean of Faculties Clinton Phillips, is made up of eight faculty members.

Vandiver said the Council of Presidents and Chancellors of Public Senior Colleges and Universities of Texas finally decided how to approach the state legislature on the Permanent University Fund issue. The presidents' council will recommend that the PUF include other campuses of the University of Texas and

Texas A&M systems. It also will recommend the establishment of a designated fund, similar to the PUF, for other state universities.

The Academic Council elected Dr. Don Hellriegel, professor of management, as Council Vice Chairman for 1982-83.

The council approved a stricter grading system for the DVM program in the College of Veterinary Medicine. A grade of 92 to 100 is an A; 84 to 92 is a B; 76 to 83 is a C; 70 to 75 is a D. Any grade below 70 is an F.

New courses in agriculture, environmental design and medicine were approved. The council also approved a forest operations option for a Bachelor of Science degree in forestry and a Master of Science degree program in veterinary public health.

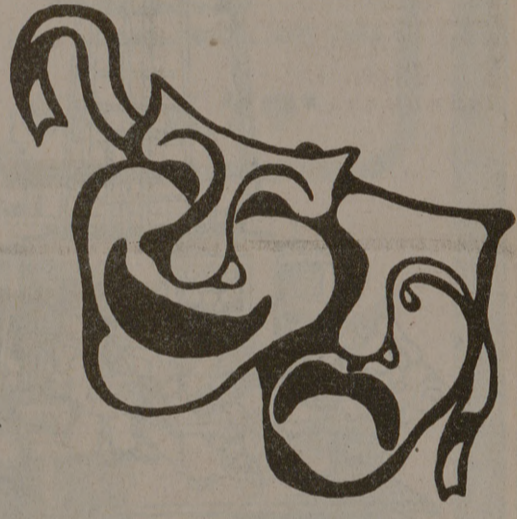
Revisions in the nuclear engineering curriculum were approved.



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