

# Veterans push for legislation

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AUSTIN — The new national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars says the VFW will push for legislation to help Vietnam veterans who were exposed to the cancer-causing chemical Agent Orange.

James Currie, 48, an Army veteran of the Korean war, said Sunday that Congress will be asked to pass a bill that would speed up research on the chemical.

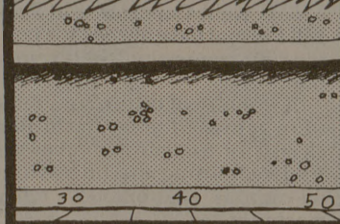
Some batches of Agent Orange used to clear jungles in Southeast Asia contained dioxin, a toxin organic compound suspected of causing cancer. Currie said there has been a problem in obtaining valid proof that Agent Orange is responsible for some medical problems suffered by Vietnam veterans.

"The VFW will push hard for action in Congress," he said. "Veterans cannot afford to wait five or 10 years to find out whether they will be affected by the defoliant."

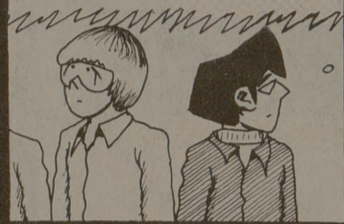
Currie joined Rep. J.J. "Jake" Pickle, D-Texas, to help the local post celebrate its 35th anniversary.

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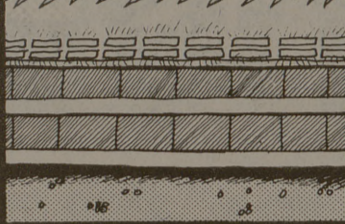
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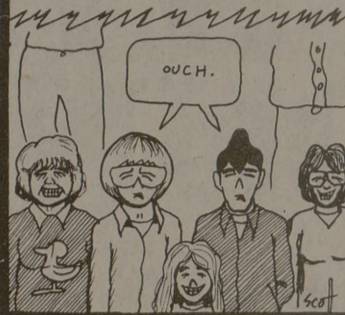
I'VE BEEN ASKED TO MAKE A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT TO MEMBERS OF THE CORPS OF CADETS...



ALL OF THE CADETS ARE ASKED TO CALL THEIR PARENTS. I'LL REPEAT THAT...



... C.T.s, PHONE HOME.



by Scott McCullar

# A&M obtains microprobe with grant, University funds

by Tammy Jones  
Battalion Reporter

Thanks to an unrestricted grant from a private oil company in California, Texas A&M recently has purchased a microprobe, an instrument which combines electron microscopy with chemical analysis.

Leo Bernard, chief technician of the microprobe, said Standard Oil of California gave the University \$90,000 this summer to help purchase the \$300,000 microprobe — a combination scanning electron microscope and computer with sophisticated analytical abilities.

The remainder of the \$300,000 came from University funds, he said.

The microprobe is being used in several research projects by various departments on campus. Research projects in oceanography, geology, chemistry and chemical engineering use the instrument. The Cyclotron and the Office of Naval Research also are using the microprobe, Bernard said.

The microprobe allows observers to watch a specimen such as a soil sample as it fractures under certain levels of

stress. One of the studies measures the durability of a certain type of plastic under intense pressures, Bernard said.

"We'll try any problem at least once," Bernard said. "Sometimes we're successful — sometimes we're not."

Graduate students who need the electron microscopes or the microprobe for research can rent them for \$30 per hour or \$37.50 per hour with a technician assisting, Bernard said. He hopes the facilities will be available to more people in the future.

# 1982 Bonfire schedule set

by Stephanie Fondy  
Battalion Reporter

Preparations for the 1982 Bonfire have begun, with the first cutting day scheduled for Sunday, Al Link, head civilian coordinator, said.

To be allowed to chop down trees for the bonfire, students must attend cutting classes and be given a cutting card, Link said.

Cutting classes will be held Wednesday through Friday at 5

C-1. Work on the bonfire is coordinated by representatives from the Corps of Cadets and civilian students.

The first group of students will meet to be taken to the cutting site near the Texas Municipal Power Agency at 6 a.m. Sunday behind Duncan Hall. The cutting site is located about 17 miles from the campus off Highway 30.

OCA representative Kevin Goodwin said an OCA group will leave from Duncan at about 8 a.m.

Link recommended taking a good pair of boots and heavy gloves for the activity.

This week, presentations will be given at women's dorms and apartment complexes.

Link said those who choose not to cut trees can help by selling refreshments at the cutting and stack sites.

Important dates for Bonfire 1982:

- Sunday — cutting day
- Oct. 9, 10 — Cutting weekend
- Oct. 17 — Sunday cutting day
- Oct. 22 — Centerpole to be raised
- Oct. 24 — Sunday cutting day
- Oct. 30, 31 — Cutting weekend
- Nov. 6, 7 — Cutting weekend
- Nov. 16 — Push begins
- Nov. 23 — Bonfire burns



at 7:30 p.m. in the Grove. Cards will be issued at the end of the classes.

"Cutting cards are mandatory to work on any phase of the bonfire," he said.

The cutting classes are taught by coordinators from Company

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