

'New' building nearing finish

by Tracey Taylor
Battalion Reporter

The conversion of the Animal Husbandry Pavilion to a new registration center is ahead of schedule, and the center may open for drop-add in the spring semester.

A completion date has not been set for the new registration center, Assistant Registrar Willis S. Ritchey said. The Century Construction Co. has been working for less than a year to convert the pavilion. Work has proceeded quickly because most of the work has been done inside the structure.

Ritchey said the old building was stripped to the walls, and 6 feet of dirt which covered the concrete floor was removed to allow a second floor to be built.

"People will be suprised at the final product," he said. "They won't know at one time it was an animal science pavilion."

The new center will have permanent offices rather than tables separated by partitions. Ritchey said he hopes permanent offices will enable students to handle registration problems in a more private atmosphere.

Getting registration workers out of the flow of traffic and into offices will increase efficiency, he said. Student workers will be hired during registration to direct students to the proper offices.

People involved in the registration process will occupy the first floor of the new center.

The floor will contain the registrar's office and a place for senior ring distribution, and the financial aid department will have a designated area for the distribution of short-term loans.

The pavilion also will include a snack bar, run by the Department of Food Services. Ritchey said it probably will be similar to the snack bar in the basement of the Memorial Student Center.

The Student Activities Office will move from its offices on the second floor of the MSC to the second floor of the new registration center. Dr. Carolyn Adair, director of student activities, said that Student Government offices will also move. The Student "Y" and Fish Camp headquarters will move to the pavilion from the YMCA building.

The new building will offer space for 20 more student activities cubicles bringing the total number of cubicles to 65. Cubicles serve as offices for recognized student organizations. The other 45 cubicles will remain in the Student Programs Office, on the second floor of the MSC.

Adair said she has mixed emotions about splitting up the Student Activities Office because the Student Finance Center, which all of the student organizations use, will remain at the MSC. But she said that it will have its benefits as well.

"We will be in our own space — to do as we please," she said.

Fish pick officers Wednesday

by Carol Smith
Battalion Staff

Elections for the Class of '86 will be held Wednesday. The positions to be filled are president, vice president, secretary/treasurer and social secretary. In addition, seven at-large senate positions will be filled.

The elections are for freshmen only. If necessary, a run-off will be held on Oct. 12.

Election polls will be located at the following places: Academic and Agency Building; Zachry Engineering Center; Memorial Student Center Flag Room; the Academic Building; Sbis Dining Hall; Heldenfels Hall; and the Quadrangle.

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Tom Belleville
Joe Calao
Billy Cassel
Rich Murray
John Walker
Jim Aubuchon
Mike Cook
Ray Scheer

Candidates for vice president:

Doug Wittруп
Stuart Lewis
Brad Winn
Mark Monroe
Raley Marek
Brian McConnell

Candidates for secretary/treasurer:

Donna Tole
Robert Shepard
Maureen Lassonde
Laura Ellis
Amer Ben Ali

Candidates for social secretary:

Stephanie Ackles
Michele Smith
Lori Zeigler

Candidates for freshman senator-at-large:

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Murray Jones
Scott Cabeen
C. J. Johnson
Cliff Dugush
John Walker
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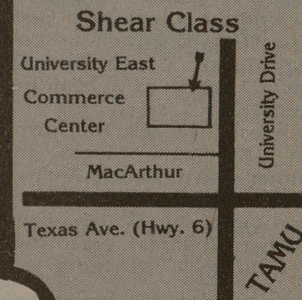
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Ex-ambassador speaks tonight

Robert White, a former U.S. ambassador to El Salvador, will speak on the volatile situation in Central America at 8 tonight at Rudder Theater.

White, who served as ambassador to El Salvador during the Carter administration, was involved in controversies over alleged human rights violations by Salvadoran national guardsmen. White was also condemned by left-wing rebels for not actively supporting their drive to topple the government.

White will discuss the explosiveness of the region and the possibility that it can solve its own problems. White has served as a career diplomat in Nicaragua, Honduras, the Dominican Republic, Colombia, Ecuador, Chile, Uruguay, Barbados and Grenada. He is presently a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

David Hamilton, chairman of the MSC Political Forum, said White was invited last spring to speak exclusively on El Salvador but is speaking on the entire region now because of recent events in other Central American countries.

Admission to the program is free, and a public reception will be held immediately after the program in the Rudder Exhibit Hall.

Sen. Bentsen speaks today

Democratic Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas, who is seeking reelection next month, will speak today on "The Race for the Senate" at 3 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

Cathy Hay, public relations coordinator for MSC Political Forum, said Bentsen would discuss a number of issues surrounding the Senate race.

Bentsen is the ranking Senate Democrat on the Joint Economic Committee of Congress and is also a member of the Senate Finance Committee and the Senate Committee on the Environment and Public Works.

Bentsen was a member of the House of Representatives from 1948 to 1955 and has been a U.S. senator since 1971.

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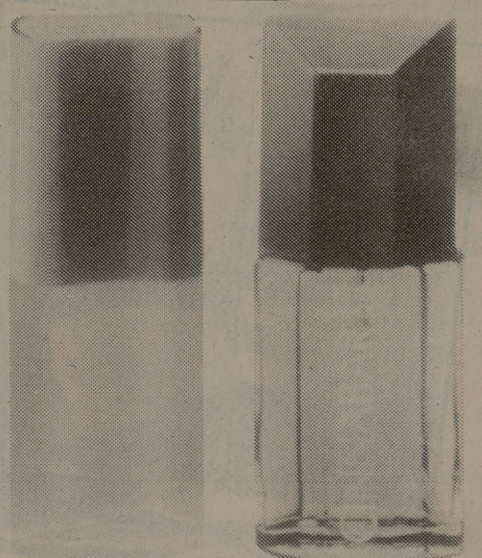
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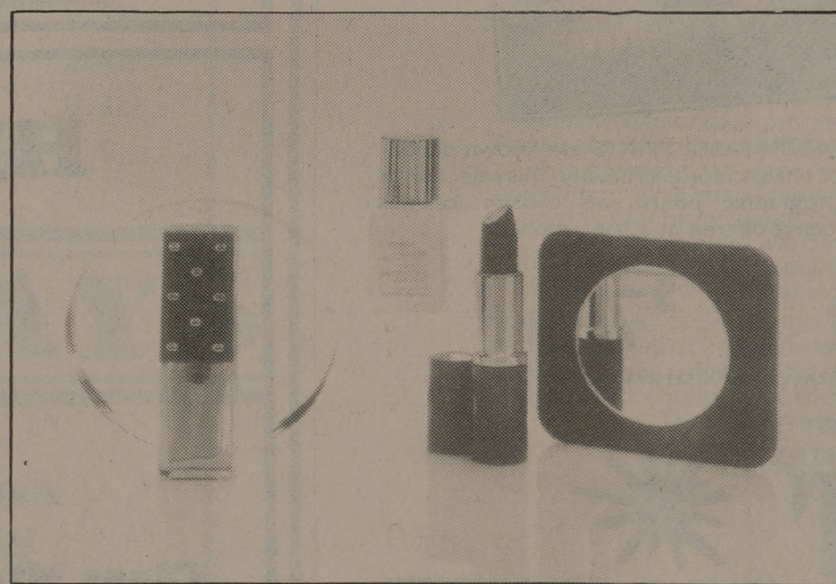
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