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Capt. Mark C. Waller of Parson's Mounted Cavalry cares for some of the 35 horses used by the group. The group recently received 8 new horses.

Parsons' Cavalry given 8 new Lippizaner horses

by Mark Coppock
Battalion Reporter
Parsons' Mounted Cavalry has eight new Lippizaners — valuable Austrian show horses.

Capt. Mark C. Waller said the horses will be used to pull the cavalry's cannon, which is used in all major parades and home football games.

"The cannon goes where the cavalry goes," Waller said.

Cadets in Parsons' Mounted Cavalry — an extracurricular unit of the Corps of Cadets — will care for the new horses along with the nine horses they own and the 26 horses on loan to the cavalry. Donations help pay for the feed and upkeep of the horses, but the largest part of the support comes from the \$300 yearly dues paid by each member of the cavalry, Waller said.

People who want to see the horses should make arrangements through the cavalry because, as a safety measure, the horses' location and value are not publicized, he said.

The eight Lippizaners were

donated to Texas A&M University by the Temple Smith Foundation, Waller said. Temple Smith was a Lippizaner breeder and when he died several years ago, the foundation began donating some of the horses to various military units around the country.

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Student charged in assault

by Kim Schmidt

Battalion Staff

A man has been arrested in connection with the Dec. 2 assault of a Texas A&M University woman, University police party is scheduled.

Major Wright Jr., 25, a student at Texas A&M, was arrested about 1:15 p.m. Thursday and was charged with simple assault of a Clements Hall resident. Wright was taken to the College Station jail and held under \$200 bond.

Wright is also a suspect in a similar assault which took place about 1:25 a.m. Monday in Moshier Hall, University detachment. William Scott said. Charges are pending in this case.

The assault on the Clements woman took place on Dec. 2 but was not reported until Dec. 7, after the Moshier case was reported to police.

John Phillips, another detective with the campus police, said the Clements resident did not file her case until she read of the Moshier assault. Phillips said the woman felt she needed to report the case also, so that the assaults might be stopped.

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