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Blowing away the blues

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Members of the A&M Jazz Band entertain for a crowd in front of Rudder Fountain Tuesday at noon. The wind blew some of the musicians' music away, but the four saxophones kept on playing.

Soviets offer match on nuclear warheads

United Press International
MOSCOW — Soviet leader Yuri Andropov made a new offer on limiting medium-range missiles in Europe, saying for the first time that the Kremlin would cut its nuclear weaponry on a warhead-for-warhead basis with the West.

Before Tuesday's offer the Soviet Union had insisted on a missile-by-missile accounting in weapons reduction negotiations, although some of Moscow's missiles have up to three nuclear warheads.

The Soviets insist on counting the nuclear weapons of Britain and

France in considering equalization of European forces, but the United States refuses to include those weapons because they are independent of NATO stockpiles.

Details were lacking but the Soviets appeared to remain insistent on the cancellation of NATO plans to deploy 572 Pershing 2 and cruise missiles in Western Europe late this year. Washington says the deployment will proceed if no agreement is reached at the Geneva arms talks.

"The Soviet Union has stated readiness not to have in Europe a single missile and a single plane more than possessed today by NATO coun-

tries," Andropov said Tuesday in a Kremlin speech for visiting East German leader Erich Honecker.

In Washington, a White House spokesman said that in response President Reagan ordered a study of possible shifts in the U.S. position when nuclear arms talks resume in Geneva next month.

At a diplomatic reception at the White House Tuesday, Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin said, when asked whether Andropov's proposal was new, "Of course, it's new. Before we counted planes and missiles, now its warheads."

Minnesota man named in 1979 student slaying

by Stephanie M. Ross

Battalion Staff
College Station police have charged a Minnesota man with the October 1979 murder of a Texas A&M student, but he may not be brought to trial here for several months.

Jeffery John Emery, 23, of New Brighton, Minn., was served a sealed indictment Monday and charged with the stabbing death of LeShan Ann Muhlinghaus, a junior journalism major at the time.

College Station Police Capt. Ronnie Miller, who served the indictment to Emery, is in Minnesota working with police on the case.

Jailed in St. Paul, Minn. on a burglary charge since last week, Emery has been charged with five counts of burglary in Minnesota. Emery may have to face the burglary charges before being extradited to College Station. The timing is not definite, College Station detective Gary Norton

said Tuesday.

Emery, who was not a suspect in the case until December 1982, was an appliance repairman at the time of the murder. He had been in the apartment a few days before the murder to check a faulty thermostat.

"We didn't have any reason at that particular time to suspect him," Norton said.

Emery became a suspect when his now ex-wife went to Milwaukee police with information that her husband had killed someone in College Station.

The couple lived in College Station at the time of the murder.

The case was put on hold because the Emerys were in the process of a divorce, and under Texas state law, husbands and wives cannot testify in court against one another. As his ex-wife, Mrs. Emery can testify against her husband on what she saw, not what he has told her.

October 12, the day of the murder, Kathy Cunningham, Muhlinghaus' roommate, found her body on the bedroom floor of their Travis House apartment at about 9:30 p.m. Reports conflict about the number of times Muhlinghaus was stabbed, but Norton said he counted 25 wounds.

Cunningham had just arrived home from Montgomery Ward & Co. at Manor East Mall, where she was employed, when she discovered the body. Cunningham and her roommate worked together, and usually came home together, but Muhlinghaus had left work early that evening, at about 7:30 p.m., saying she felt ill.

Muhlinghaus was a transfer student from Richardson Junior College, near Dallas, and had been at Texas A&M for two months at the time of her death.

At that time, the murder was the first in the College Station area in over a year.

Chemistry course changes could lead to resignation

by Karen Schrimsher

Battalion Staff
A Texas A&M chemistry professor says he will submit his resignation this afternoon if department head J.B. Natowitz approves a recommendation to discontinue centralized teaching in first year chemistry courses.

Dr. Rod O'Connor says the First Year Chemistry Program Review Committee has recommended that Chemistry 101 and 102 be taught like other university courses, with required attendance within each class section. Professors would be responsible for testing and grading within their sections.

The courses are now structured so that students may attend any professor's lectures at any time the courses are offered. Equivalent exams are given in all class sections. The students are tested according to a list of written objectives, given to students at the beginning of each semester.

Natowitz says he has not received the final recommendations concerning the proposed change. He says he cannot make any decisions until he has the final draft.

"Right now there is nothing to be decided on," Natowitz says. "No action is being considered yet."

The philosophy behind centralized teaching is that students can learn from textbooks and lectures, and may work with any of the faculty members who keep office hours, he says.

"It is my personal feeling that students benefit not so much from a teacher who is especially good or from being especially bright, but from being on the same wavelength with the instructor," he says. "The best way to get them on the same wavelength is to let the students control the dial that tunes them in."

O'Connor was hired to start the program 10 years ago. Since then, first year chemistry courses have been taught under the centralized method.

O'Connor says some faculty members feel that the present teaching system may make the courses too easy for students, and that decentralization may put the course on a higher academic level.

"I cannot see why there is any concern over the courses being too easy," he says. "Student evaluations have consistently shown that students rank these courses as difficult, or even more difficult than other courses they are taking."

Some professors may have hurt feelings because the students who are registered for their sections are going

to another professor's lecture, O'Connor says.

"I think what is best for the students is more important than a professor's ego," he says.

O'Connor says the recommendation is not a reflection of the feelings of the entire faculty or the department heads.

"If the decision is made to change the program, I would have no option with my own conscience but to resign," O'Connor says. "I do not want to be associated with a program that is less effective than the one we have now."

"I think that other university courses would benefit from the type of program we have. That is why I feel that to change our program would be a step backwards."

O'Connor says if the decision is made to keep the present system, he will be happy to remain director of the first year program. But if Natowitz decides to change the program or won't give him a decision today, he says he will resign.

He says the reason for the deadline is the strain that the situation has put on his family.

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Lebanese stall troop talks

United Press International
BEIRUT — Secretary of State George Shultz persisted today in his efforts to reach an agreement on foreign troop withdrawals from Lebanon but Beirut officials said chances of an early accord appeared dim.

Shultz, on the 10th day today of his Middle East shuttle, received an apparent setback Tuesday when Lebanon announced leaders of the Arab world must be consulted before it could sign an agreement with Israel.

But U.S. officials were optimistic as they talked to reporters aboard the plane that carried Shultz from Jerusalem to Beirut, where authorities said an explosion injured at least three people in the Hamra district Tuesday.

The Israeli military command in Tel Aviv said another blast occurred south of the town of Kafr Mabrakh in Lebanon's Shouf mountains, wounding three Israeli soldiers as they passed in an army vehicle.

Shultz was trying to mediate differences between Lebanon and Israel

on an accord over the pullout of 30,000 Israeli troops, then the withdrawal of 40,000 Syrian and 10,000 Palestinian forces.

In Damascus, Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat met with Syrian President Hafez Assad for the first time in nearly eight months, Damascus Radio and the PLO news agency, Wafa, said.

Syria and the PLO agreed to counter Israeli moves to secure advantages in the Shultz mediated talks, the reports said.

Bank extortion fails, hostages freed safely

United Press International
DALLAS — Police credited a cool-headed banker's wife held hostage in an automobile at gunpoint for seven hours with the successful resolution of a foiled extortion attempt.

The suspect surrendered shortly after Jo Goyne bolted from the car surrounded by patrol cars in a city intersection and ran to the safety of police Tuesday.

Alexander Davis was charged with aggravated kidnapping and aggravated robbery and held on \$200,000 bond today in the attempt to extort \$450,000 from bank president Joe Goyne.

Police spokesman Bob Shaw said the ordeal began for the Goynes Monday night about 10 p.m. when Goyne let his dog out in the backyard. Davis was waiting with an automatic pistol, Shaw said, and held the couple and their two children hostage all night.

Tuesday morning, the family drove with Davis to the Grand Avenue Bank in east Dallas where Goyne reportedly withdrew in excess of \$400,000 in cash for Davis.

Davis left the bank with Mrs. Goyne and her two daughters — Erin Jones, 10, and Sean Jones, 7 — leaving Goyne at the bank.

Goyne immediately called the FBI, which contacted police, Shaw said.

Police located the car shortly after that and boxed the suspect in with another car behind him, Shaw said.

Shortly after noon, about four hours after the standoff began, the suspect released the two girls, who had not been harmed.

Davis set his gun on the dash and remained in the car for about 25 minutes after Mrs. Goyne's escape, continuing to negotiate with police, before he surrendered.

New degree draws computer buffs

Editor's note: This is the last story in a three-part series on computerization at Texas A&M University.

by Robert McGlohon

Battalion Staff
About 50 of the business students who graduate May 7 will be presented degrees never before offered by Texas A&M — degrees in business administration with majors in business analysis.

About 20 of those 50 graduates will receive these degrees. The rest will be double majors, with one major in business analysis and one in another business discipline.

The Department of Business Analysis, which is in the College of Business Administration, has been at Texas A&M as long as the business college. Before September 1982 it did not have an undergraduate major of its own, but was a service department that offered courses to business and other majors.

A year ago the Coordinating Board approved a major in business analysis and the first students registered in September.

Despite the fact that it didn't advertise the curricula, the new degree-granting department generated quite a bit of interest, Dr.

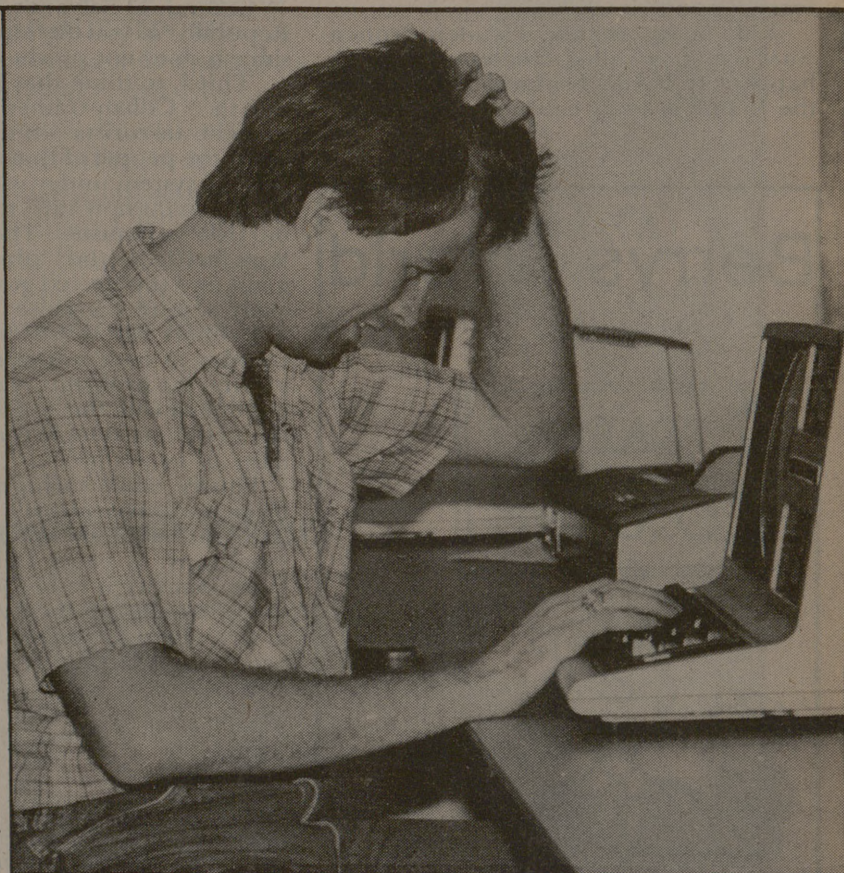
Frank P. Buffa, interim department head for business analysis, said. Some of that interest turned out to be misdirected, he said, but the final result was acceptance of 170 business analysis majors. An additional 100 students elected to have business analysis as a second major together with another business discipline.

The department drew students from throughout the University, Dr. George Fowler, business analysis undergraduate adviser said. However, most students came from either from the College of Business Administration or from the Department of Computing Sciences. He said they were all "welcomed with open arms."

But the department had a problem with students changing to business analysis for the wrong reasons, Fowler said.

Some of the students switched to business analysis simply because the career opportunities are favorable. Of the 20 business analysis majors, all but one have received job offers — and at salaries above average for business majors.

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staff photo by Irene Mees

Ricky Klingbeil, a senior civil engineering major from Garland, struggles with a computer terminal in the Academic Computing Center.

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Clear skies today with a high of 83. Winds from the northwest at 5 to 10 mph. Clear tonight with a low near 57. Mostly sunny skies Thursday with a high near 84.