



Town meeting

staff photo by Eric Evan Lee

Representative Phil Gramm held a town meeting Thursday morning at the Brazos Center to discuss with residents their concerns and give an account of what Congress has been doing.

Bryan hospital requests move to College Station

by Angel Stokes

Battalion Staff
Humana Hospital of Bryan College Station filed a pre-application this month with the Texas Health Facilities Commission for approval to relocate in College Station.
If the pre-application, which presents a certificate of need, approved by the health facilities commission, then a formal proposal, complete with blueprints and operational details for the new hospital, must be filed by December 31, said Pat Cornelison, executive director of the hospital.

After the formal filing, the state must hear the application within 90 days.

The certificate of need filed by Humana Corp. requests approval for the construction of a new 100-bed hospital at an estimated cost of \$19.5 million.

The existing 65-bed Humana Hospital is located on Memorial Drive in Bryan. The state must approve the addition of 35 beds, Cornelison said, because there is a regulation that allows only 4 beds for every 1,000 citizens in any Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area.

She said a possible site has been chosen in College Station, but the location cannot be announced at this time.

No alternate plans have been discussed in the event the approval of the expansion and move is not granted, she said, because she would like to feel that the plans will be successful.

Current growth trends show that the largest growth in the Bryan/College Station area has been in College Station and toward the south, she said. Because of this, the move to College Station would make the hospital a part of that growth.

Increase over last year

Bryan Council OKs budget

by Mary Laura McNair
Battalion Reporter
The Bryan City Council voted and approved the proposed \$585,000 budget for next year which is considerably higher than last year's figure.

In the special meeting Monday afternoon, City Manager Ernest Clark said that the major

increase is due to a \$10,000 increase for repair maintenance for the data processing system.

The motion passed 4-3 with Mayor Ron Blatchley, and Councilmen B.B. Scasta and Peyton Waller opposing the action.

In other action, the executive director of Brazos Beautiful

Inc., Suzy Terral, showed a slide presentation about the volunteer program and its plans to clean up the Brazos County.

Terral said the local chapter is sponsored by Keep America Beautiful which so far has had the community's support.

The 120 member group has two objectives: to develop a sys-

tem to clean up the county, and to develop in the community a larger measure of pride for Brazos County.

In order for the campaign to be a success, Brazos Beautiful Inc. is hoping for cooperation from half the businesses in the county plus 10 percent of the households.

Over 12,000 students here

As of Friday, the first class day of the second summer session, registration was up as compared to the same period last year, Associate Registrar Donald Carter said Monday.

A total of 12,556 students

had registered by Friday, Carter said, which is a 2.12 percent increase over the first class day of the second summer session last year.

Carter said he expects total

enrollment for the second summer session to be less than that of the first session, which was 14,144.

"We always have a decrease the second term as compared to

the first," he said.

Registration "ran smooth as silk," Carter said, explaining that the weather was nice and that the lines were shorter than usual.

Girl, 7, drowns at water park

United Press International
HOUSTON — A Houston girl, 7, drowned at a new water entertainment park near Astroworld, officials said Monday.

Maria Rhodes was pulled from the lagoon pool at WaterWorld Sunday by lifeguards, a park spokeswoman said.

The cause of the drowning at

the 6,000-capacity park was not known, said Sarah Hamptom Smith, assistant manager of public relations.

Park officials expressed regret over the incident, but Smith said they feel "everything possible" has been done to make the park safe.

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Caperton, Presnal to speak

Sen. Kent Caperton and Rep. Bill Presnal will present an overview of this year's state legislative sessions Wednesday. They

will discuss both the regular and special sessions at a breakfast sponsored by the Bryan-College Station Chamber of Commerce.

The breakfast, which is open to the public, will be at the Ramada Inn at 7 a.m. Cost is \$2.50 per person.

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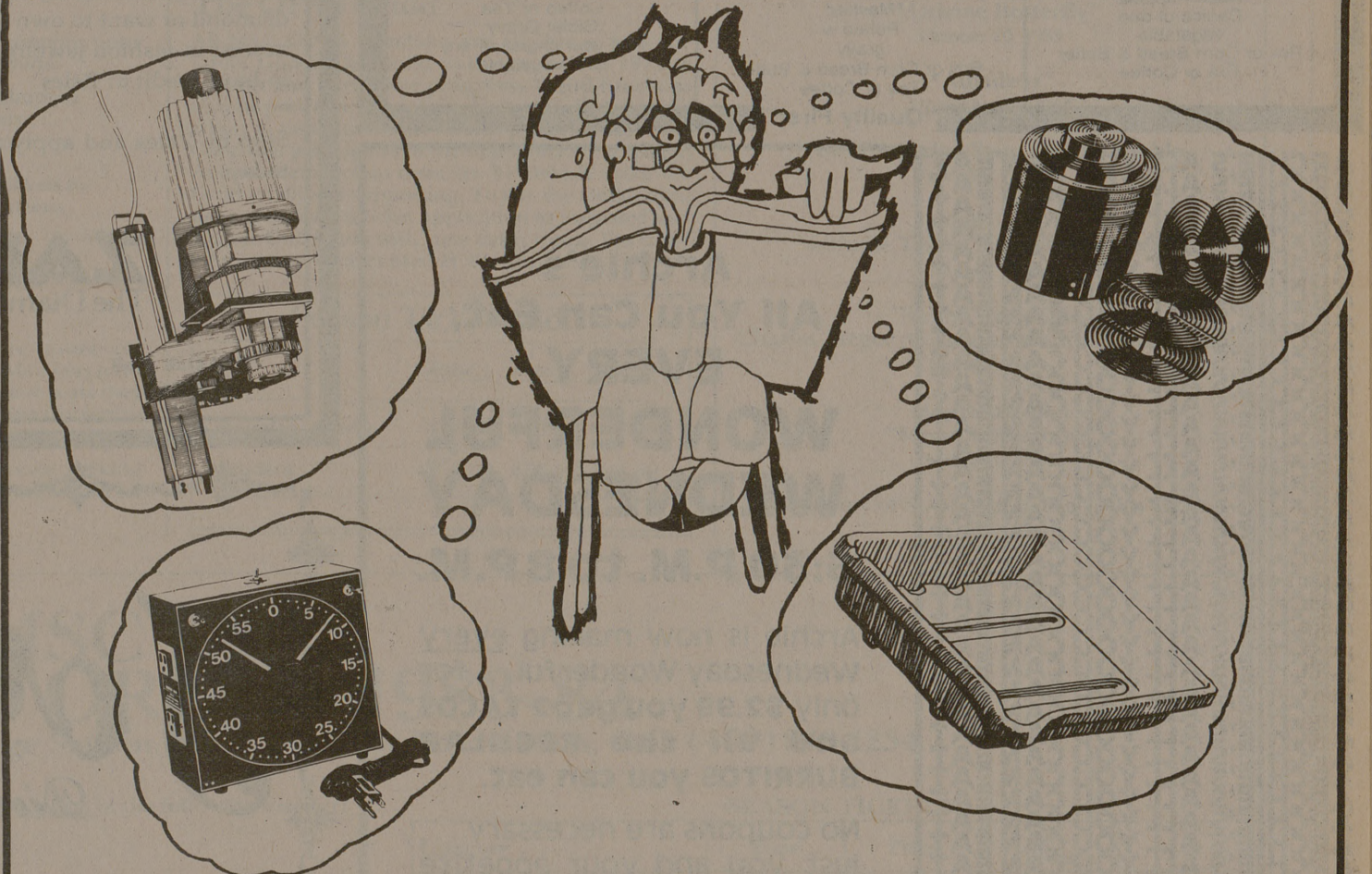
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