

Debate considers El Salvador

by Ray Walker

Battalion Reporter
The United States' involvement in El Salvador was the topic of an audience-participation debate sponsored by the Texas A&M Debate Team Wednesday night.

Audience members who favored limiting U.S. involvement to non-military assistance sat on the right side of the room and those who favored military involvement sat on the left.

Brent Brossmann, an English junior from Bryan, delivered the first of two seven-minute prepared speeches.

Brossmann, who argued against military involvement, argued first that if U.S. involvement continues in El Salvador, history will replay itself and the U.S. will be faced with another Vietnam.

Brossmann said, "The people of El Salvador believe we will fight their fight for them."

Brossmann then argued that a peaceful solution would have the best response.

"The Salvadorans are willing to negotiate, all they want is to have no more murders, to be able to keep their land and to have equal representation in their own country. This, to me, is true democracy."

Bob Inselmann, a political science senior from Richardson, argued for U.S. military involvement.

Inselmann said guerrilla forces have been heavily armed by communist sympathizers and the U.S. has only supported El Salvador with the bare necessities.

"El Salvador, 1000 miles from here, is of strategic importance," Inselmann said. "The U.S. will

suffer serious ramifications if aid is not increased.

The audience was given a chance to respond after the speeches.

One member of the audience who identified himself as a Salvadoran said, "The rebels are not from El Salvador. We will

not be able to fight this aggression alone. I want peace in my country, please help."

Another member said, "Who are we to play God? Let's not be caretakers of the world."

The final audience tabulation was 56 in favor of the proposal and 101 against.



staff photo by Guy Hood

Watered down sun

David Rippey, a senior economics major from Philadelphia thought the fan placed in his Crocker Hall window would help keep him

cool. But his dorm buddy Jal Sethna, a junior civil engineering major from Houston had other ideas about keeping him cool.

Police Beat

The following incidents were reported to the University Police Department Monday and Tuesday.

THEFTS:

• A backpack from the lobby of the first floor MSC Bookstore. It contained a Texas driver's license, Texas A&M I.D. card, calculator, textbooks and other personal property.

• A backpack from the lobby outside the MSC Bookstore. It contained several notebooks and other personal property valued at \$120. Several items were recovered later on the third floor of the Memorial Student Center.

• A wallet from the third floor basketball court in G. Rollie White Coliseum. It contained \$2 in cash, a Texas driver's license, Texas A&M I.D. card and other personal property.

• An Osborne personal computer, Model EDCA, from 117 Moore Communications Center.

• \$14 from a purse which was left in the Student Programs Office in the Memorial Student Center. A Hispanic male was

seen taking the money, but he fled from the scene. Two people identified him after looking at University Police photographs.

BURGLARY:

• A Nikomat 35mm camera, a 50mm lens, a 35mm lens, a Vivitar charger with battery pack, a brown leather camera bag, and four rolls of film were

stolen from 229 Reed McDonald Building.

OTHER:

• A set of brass knuckles was found in the glovebox of a Ford pickup when University Police prepared to tow the vehicle from the student parking lot east of Adams Band Hall. The weapon was placed in storage until its owner could be notified.

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