

## Around town

Craft sale continues today at MSC

The Fall Craft Festival, sponsored by the MSC Craft Center, continues today from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by Rudder Fountain. Pottery, stained glass, jewelry, weaving, wood-working, photographs and many more items will be sold by local artists.

Professor discusses campaign debates

Dr. Kurt Ritter, associate professor in the speech communication program of the Department of English, will present a speech Thursday on "Presidential Campaign Debating: The Argumentative Burdens of Incumbency." The Speech Communication Colloquium, sponsored by the English department, will begin at 11 a.m. in 203 Blocker (A&A). The public is invited and brown bag lunches are encouraged.

Blessing of the Animals to be held

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the Episcopal Student Center will conduct a Service of the Blessing of the Animals today at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend and participate. Children and adults are encouraged to bring their pets for a blessing, but the pets must be caged, on a leash or in some way restrained. Reveille will be present and will receive a blessing.

The service will be held at the Episcopal Student Center at 902 Jersey, next to St. Thomas Parish. Parking is available behind the center.

Volleyball league registration opens

The College Station Parks and Recreation Department will hold registration for adult volleyball teams through Friday. Five different classes of play will include men's power, men's recreational, women's power, women's recreational and co-recreational. The entry fee for all leagues is \$100 per team. For more information, call 693-7273.

To submit an item for this column, come by The Battalion office in 216 Reed McDonald.

## OCA presidents announced tonight

The names of new apartment council presidents will be announced at the Off-Campus Aggies meeting at 6:30 tonight in 601 Rudder Tower.

OCA is an organization for students who live off campus. Other topics to be discussed are:

- The upcoming steet dance to benefit the United Way.
- Plans for another OCA bonfire cut this weekend.
- The possibility of a bake sale to benefit the next bonfire cut.
- Plans for a November keg party.

# Schools need reform, says Bell

United Press International  
DALLAS — Education Secretary Terrel Bell said Tuesday that reform and teacher accountability — not more money — are what is needed to meet America's education problems. "The National Commission on Excellence in Education made some 35 recommendations. Only three or four recommendations ask for more money," Bell said in a speech to the Texas Foundation for Conservative Studies.

"But most of the other recommendations deal with standards, accountability and administrative procedures and don't require more money," Bell said. In a strong plea for institut-

ing such reforms as merit pay for outstanding teachers, Bell said that in 35 states, grading practices in most high schools tended to give students more A's than C's.

He said in those 35 states, high school students were required to have only one year of science and one year of math.

"That is a very low standard," Bell said.

He said graduation standards must be tightened because many of the schools today have become "a social entity rather than an academic entity."

Bell said college students studying to become teachers scored low when compared to other college students.

"Those students now studying education scored in the bottom 25 percent of all students who took the college examination. That is another vexing problem," Bell said.

Bell, who urged immediate action to require merit pay for educators, said a uniform pay scale for teachers and a lack of homework for students were other problems plaguing public education.

Bell said a recent survey by the American School Board Journal showed that more than two-thirds of the teachers interviewed endorsed the core concept of merit pay.

The same survey also showed that most teachers agreed that they should be paid based on how well they perform in classrooms.

In earlier remarks during a news conference, Bell said the Bilingual Education Act has been greatly misunderstood, and he noted the primary purpose of the act was to teach English.

"The first responsibility of a bilingual education program is to aggressively attempt to help the students acquire a command of English because the mother tongue of this country is English," Bell said.

Bell declined to comment about the statements made by Dallas billionaire H. Ross Perot, who heads a special panel studying public education in Texas. Perot has criticized schools for

giving too much attention to sports and other activities outside the classroom.

"I don't know enough about it, and I don't know how much money is spent on sports in Texas," Bell said.

But he added that on a national level, not enough school time is spent on basic academics. "There is too much of activities cutting into school days," he said.

## Can't beet it for fish food

United Press International  
BUENA VISTA, Ore. — Fourteen tons of fresh table beets may wind up as fish food.

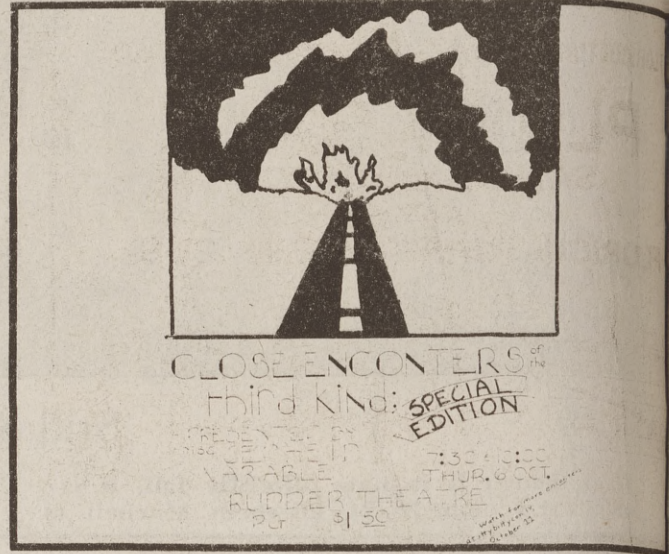
A farm truck carrying the beets from Independence to a Salem canning company dropped the load when its brakes partially failed on a ferry crossing the Willamette River.

Driver Gary Lyons, 25, said the truck slid backward, dropping its rear end into the water.

He said by the time a crane arrived several hours later, the beets had been dumped into the river.

About 40 gallons of diesel fuel also spilled into the Willamette but the Department of Environmental Quality said no effective cleanup was possible since the fuel and beets dispersed immediately.

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Susan will join Mike Miller as the presbyterian, UCC and Disciples of Christ Campus Pastors of TAMU. Susan received her B.A. from Stephens College and is a senior at EDEN Seminary. She is experienced in counseling with special skills in areas related to women's issues. To contact Susan call UCM (846-1221) or 693-9248. Susan will also be in the listening Ear Counseling Center (in All Faith's Chapel) every Tuesday from 12 until 2 p.m. Please come by!

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