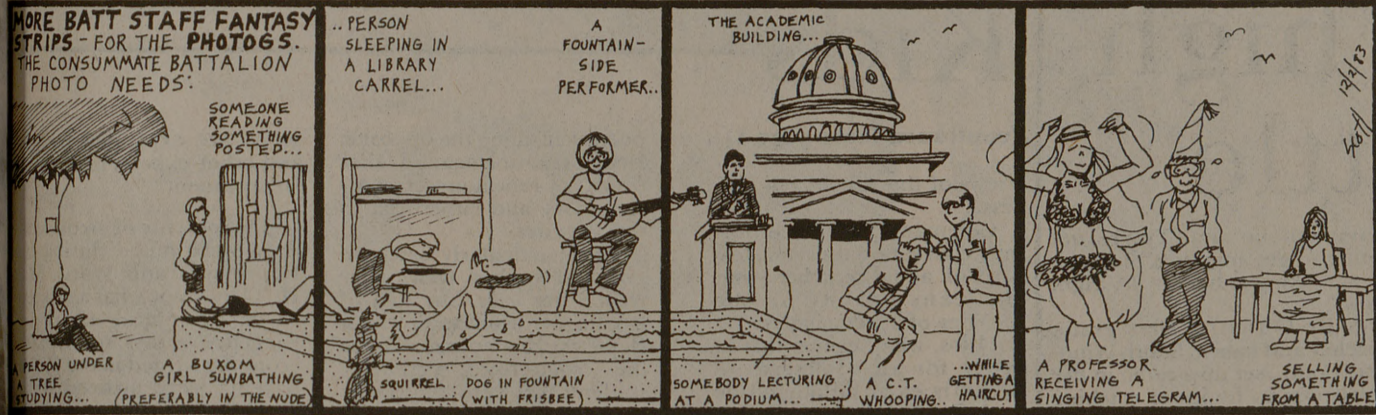


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by Scott McCullar



Expansion ends in January

A&M high school to grow

by Stephanie Marshall
Battalion Reporter
A&M Consolidated High School in College Station will be \$5 million bigger in January, Principal Sandra Parker says.

chorus room, a cafeteria and dining hall and a 1,500 square-foot library addition will be part of the building expansion.
"Included in the expansion as well is the conversion of the old cafeteria into 12 classrooms that will be used by the English department," Parker said.
Currently there are 1,300 students enrolled in the school. The additional floor space will

accommodate 300 more students, Dr. Donald P. Ney, assistant superintendent of College Station Independent School District, said.
"There isn't any need for new teachers to 'man the new classrooms' this year, Parker said. But if the enrollment increases next year, there may be a need to hire additional faculty.
Parker and Ney both agree that the added space will alleviate the crowding conditions in the classrooms. But Ney says

room for growth and providing "help to fulfill the educational needs of the community high school students in terms of bigger and better facilities" are the main objectives of the expansion.
"There is great potential for all kinds of growth in College Station, especially in education — and especially when our community supports education so greatly," Ney said. "There is no reason to believe that the growth will not continue."

'Nutcracker' stars locals

Ballet to play here

by Bob Caster
Battalion Staff
Tchaikovsky composed "The Nutcracker" in 1891. The first public performance, at the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg, was treated with disdain by the critics. The ballet is now a Christmas tradition.
The Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra, in association with Texas Ballet, will present "The Nutcracker" Saturday at 7:00 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

centrating his efforts on Tchaikovsky's score and the members of the Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra who will perform it.
"It is a community orchestra and has a number of A&M students in it," said Turbyfill, who has also conducted The Corpus Christi Symphony in the same production. "We've been rehearsing once a week for two and a half hours at a time."
He said "The Nutcracker"

will feature a girls' chorus from Stephen F. Austin Junior High School in Bryan.
The performance, which was sold out last year, is being sponsored by The Brazos Valley Symphony Orchestra Society, General Telephone, Humana Hospital Bryan-College Station and MSC OPAS.
Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students and senior citizens.

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Sheriff tells of digging with hands for victim

United Press International
GALVESTON — A former Montgomery County deputy sheriff testified Thursday he and another deputy used bare hands to dig up a kidnapping victim who had been buried for five days.
Former Deputy Jim Hall testified at the kidnapping trial of Donald Floyd White, charged with kidnapping Michael Baucom of Santa Fe, the son of a former White employer, and holding him for ransom in September 1982.
Baucom's father, Bennie, who was White's employer for six months, testified White often carried a bag of weapons which he called his "security blanket." Bennie Baucom wept as he

described to the jury how he assembled \$75,000 in cash as ransom for his son.
He recalled how his son sounded in a tape-recorded message, in which he said "Dad, I'm in trouble. I need \$75,000. If you don't get the money, you'll never see me alive again."
Baucom said he called the Santa Fe, Texas, police and the FBI was contacted.
Baucom was released unharmed on Sept. 26, and White later was arrested in the Rio Grande Valley after leading authorities on a cross-state chase.
Hall testified one of White's co-defendants, Michael Oler, led deputies to an isolated Montgomery County site.
"We found what appeared to

be a freshly dug area with four three-quarter inch plastic pipes protruding from the ground," Hall testified. "We hollered the name Michael and there was a voice that came up through the hole."
Hall said he and his companion did not have any tools with them, so they used their bare hands to dig up the coffin-like box in which Baucom was buried.
"He could barely walk," Hall said of Baucom. Hall testified the first thing Baucom said was: "Have you got Ron White yet?"
Hall testified Baucom was urine-soaked, dirty and pale but in good shape considering he had been confined to a buried box for five days.

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