Autry has hopes for stay of execution once again

HUNTSVILLE — Convicted killer James David Autry, facing of five execution next week, Wednesday was clinging to hope that his fourth date with death by lethal injection would miraculously be put off.

"I'm scared but I'm still hopeful I'll get a stay;" Autry said. .I have hope the governor or the U.S. Supreme Court will stop the execution.

Autry is scheduled to die at 12:01 a.m. March 14 for the 1980 robbery-shooting of Shir-

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venience store clerk and mother

tion to asking the State Board of Pardons and Paroles to commute Autry's sentence to life in

One reason for Autry's hope is a new personal relationship with a Dallas woman, Shirley Tadlock, 31, a mother of three.

'If I'm executed, she wants to be there. She wants me to know someone is there who cares,'

He called the woman a "good close friend" who began writing him after hearing about his close brush with death Oct. 4, when he came within 30 minutes of execution before Su-

White granted a stay. Tadlock brought her three Autry's attorneys are seeking a stay from the U.S. Supreme Court and a reprieve from Texas Gov. Mark White in addi-

> "I wish I had had my own family," the shy inmate said amid a jam of reporters near his

Autry said he also regretted the death of Drouet, who left five children without a mother.

'I think about them but I know they don't want to hear anything I have to say. All I can say is I'm sorry," Autry whis-

After facing previous execu-tion dates, Autry said he is gripped with the fear of dying.

Club formed for A&M men

By JANET M.DUREN Reporter

Unlikely as it may sound, among Texas A&M's 150plus student organizations, Chris Smith, a junior journalism major, couldn't find one that filled his needs.

Perhaps even more un-likely, he found 50 other students to agree with him.

So Smith and friends have formed the Aggie Men's Club, an organization that, in president Jeff Lewis' words, "meets guys' needs to have group brotherhood and fellowship in a Christian atmosphere.

The group's goals sound the same as those of many other clubs: service, fellowship, and brotherhood. What sets the AMC apart from other clubs is its ban on alcohol at club functions.

The brotherhood is unified by the caring the memby having wild parties and getting drunk with each other, Lewis says. Members of the group say there is a time and place for drinking alcohol and they don't think official AMC gatherings are that time or place.

This does not mean AMC won't have dances and parties. Vice president Daryll'Davidson says alcohol doesn't have to be a part of one-on-one contact at social gather-

"You know that I'm not drunk and that I'll remember you the next day," says David-

Secretary Jim Becker says AMC is not making a judgment of personal values by not allowing drinking.

"You simply don't have to be holding a beer to have fun," says Becker. Nor do you have to forsake other organi-

One fugitive shot, partner

zations to have fun in AMC,

AMC's officers stress that

they are not making a statement against local Greek fraternities. Although several members have turned down bids from fraternities, AMC is open to any male student.

Becker says a lot of AMC members, who must pay dues each semester, are involved in at least one other campus or-ganization. All of the officers are Fish Camp counselors, and Becker says he thinks many members are also coun-

AMC is unlike Greek fraternities, which are national brotherhoods, says Treasurer Sean Royall, a sophomore economics major. This club is local brotherhood which forms its identity around its members' being Aggies.

Becker the non-profit or-ganization has planned local

community has reacted thusiastically.

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alive died in a point-blank gun-battle with sheriff's deputies

Wednesday and his partner was

found hiding under a garage. Ronald Lee Freeman, 41,

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he made his last stand. Bullets from a deputy's .30-caliber carbine blew two holes through the door Freeman was using for a shield, killing him

A massive manhunt of 300 officers scoured the area for his partner, James Clegg, 30, and two officers found him hiding under a shed-like garage be hind the home of Charles Dale, a quarter of a mile from the house where Freeman died.

Freeman and Clegg broke out of Fort Pillow prison in West Tennessee Feb. 18, opened fire on pursuing offi-cers and three days later killed a Sunday school teacher and ab-

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unharmed in Knoxville and disappeared into the mountains, surfacing again Tuesday when they shot a North Carolina state trooper who stopped them for speeding near Marion.

McDowell County Sheriff Bob Haynes said state trooper Wilbert B. arrant saw Clegg's boot sticking out from under the garage where Dale keeps his 1925 Model T Ford and officers pounced on him.

The garage is raised about a foot off the ground and Clegg had crawled under it and pulled scrap plywood behind him for concealment.

Dale, who was with the offi-cers, said, "The deputy just kicked the plywood down and said 'Come out from here.' He was under there so tight they had to pull him out by the hands.

District Attorney Alan Leonard said Clegg, who also swore he would never return to prison, handed over three loaded pistols.

Freeman, apparently wounded in the shootout with a state trooper Tuesday morning, burst into the house of blind Molly Harvey, 62, on the edge of the junkyard at 4 a.m. Wednesday, demanding food and telling her, "My buddy and

Harvey collapsed with attack and when do stormed into the house man opened fire on them

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Trooper Larry Carver deputies Gene Patrick and Burleson went in after hi Carver told UPI he

looked into the room Freeman was hiding and

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