

South African policy criticized by writer

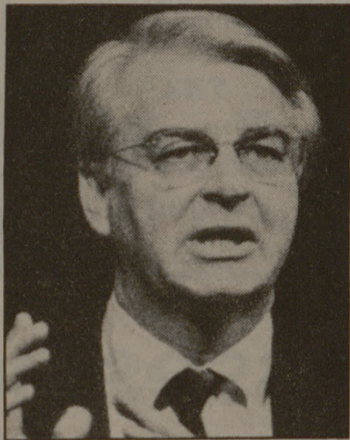
By JANET M. DUREN
Reporter

The government of South Africa practices an apartheid policy — one of segregation, discrimination and violence, said Donald Woods in a speech Wednesday sponsored by MSC Political Forum.

"I don't believe a white person anywhere can know, unless he pulls on a black skin, what its like on the receiving end of apartheid," said the exiled South African journalist.

Woods said the whites of South Africa are afraid of democracy since the majority of the population is black. The government explains its fear, Woods said, "by an incredible leap of the mind." The whites consider themselves a minority governing a lot of other tribal minorities, Woods said.

Woods said the government believes blacks want to be separate from whites. He



Donald Woods

said this is a contradiction since the white government has created 317 racial laws that force the blacks' separation.

The violence in the country's prisons is incredible, Woods said. Black Consciousness leader Steve Biko was found to have severe brain

damage at his death, making him the 45th prisoner to die a violent death, said Woods.

Though not in prison, Woods' family did not escape the violence. After his writings were banned, Woods said his 5-year-old daughter was sent a shirt, apparently from a friend, with acid powder on the inside.

After this incident, Woods said he decided to escape. His wife and five children made it across the border, pursued by white South African police, said Woods. He said he was very "moved" when his family received protection from the black police in the neighboring country.

"We were raised to fear blacks," Woods, 51, said.

Now, Woods said South Africa is afraid of being politically and economically shunned by the United States.

"It is conceivable that with more pressure, a racial conflict will develop," said Woods.

Candidate Richard Smith talks to Off-Campus Aggie meeting

By PATRICIA FLINT
Reporter

Richard Smith, candidate for state representative, spoke last night to the Off-Campus Aggies. OCA president Kevin Goodwin prefaced the meeting saying Smith would give his view on the importance of the student vote. What Smith gave was a campaign speech.

After the meeting Goodwin said, "I was not aware that that

was going to happen. I heard the words Democrat and Republican far too many times.

"I'm sorry that he glossed over the points that I stressed the most."

Before the meeting Goodwin said he thought Smith would assess the effectiveness of student input in the campaign. But during the 20 minute speech, Smith gave the reasons why the audience should vote for him, stressing that he is a Texas A&M

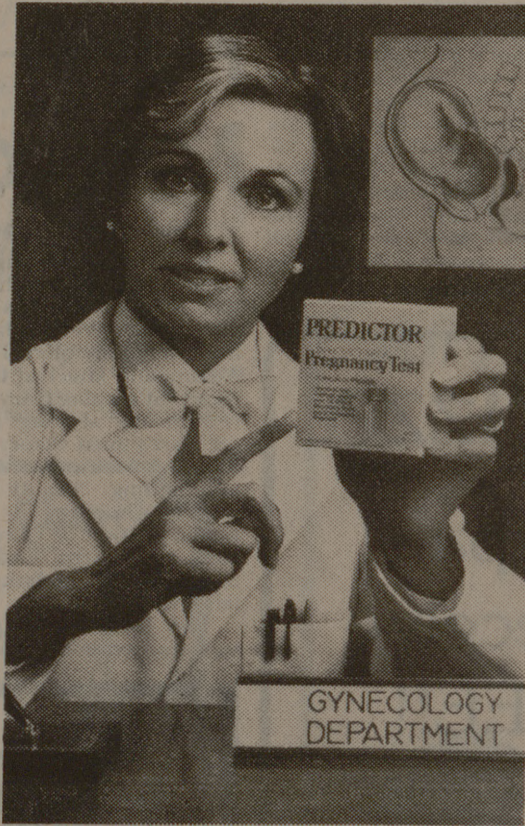
graduate and will be able to protect the interests of Aggies.

Matt Verghese, OCA social secretary, questioned Smith on the importance of being an Aggie as an issue in the campaign. Smith answered that he would give his position on any specific issue. Verghese said that was not an effective answer his question.

Brett Shine, an apartment council president for OCA, had invited Smith to speak at the

meeting. Like Goodwin, Shine is a Republican and a supporter of Smith, but both said OCA is not endorsing him. They said they wanted him to speak because they believe Smith is well known to students and they hoped it would help boost fading attendance at OCA meetings.

Shine was satisfied with Smith's speech, but said, "We didn't expect him to try to get votes from OCA."

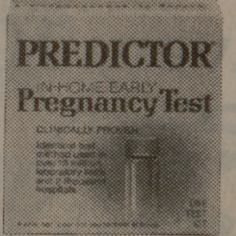


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Council to discuss CRCP help

By BARBARA BROWN
Reporter

The College Station City Council at its meeting tonight will consider giving financial assistance to the Citizens for Responsible Cable Policy, a division of the Texas Municipal League.

City Manager North Bardell, who serves on the CRCP steering committee, will recommend

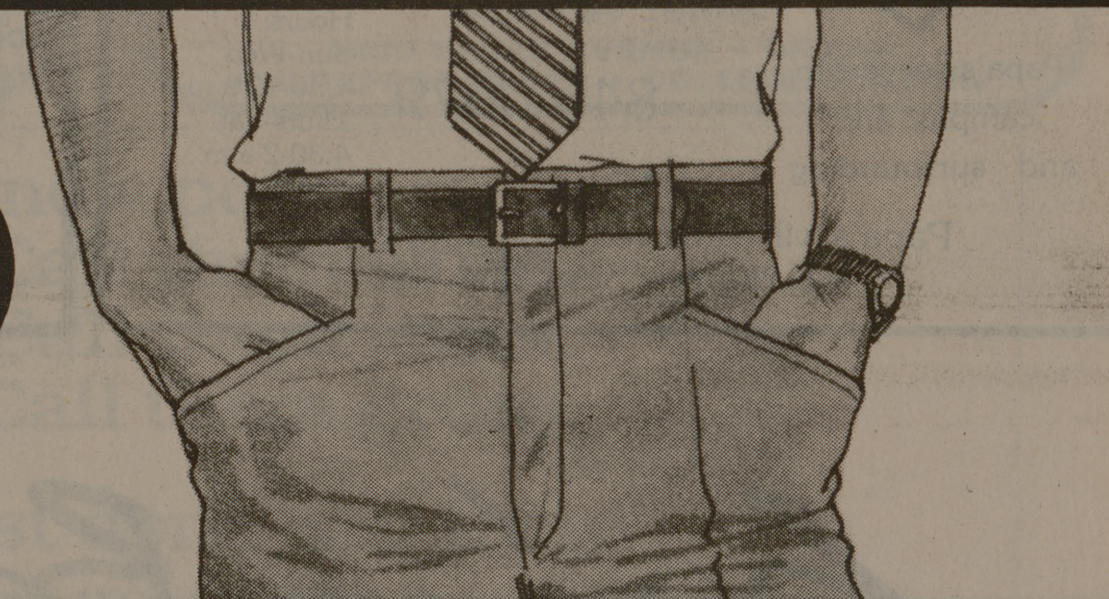
that the council approve \$750 for the proposed financial help.

The Arts Council of Brazos Valley is seeking a resolution from the city council recognizing it as the primary local arts agency operating on behalf of Brazos County. The Arts Council is an organization that gives support, funding and administrative service to its 14 members, one of which is the Opera

and Performing Arts Society at Texas A&M. The resolution would make the activities sponsored by the Arts Council officially recognized by the city.

A public hearing also will be held on the question of rezoning a 2.56 acre tract of land on the northeast corner of the Wellborn Road and Holleman Drive intersection.

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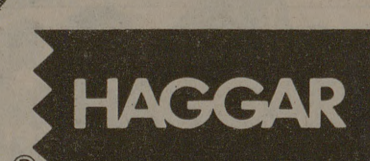
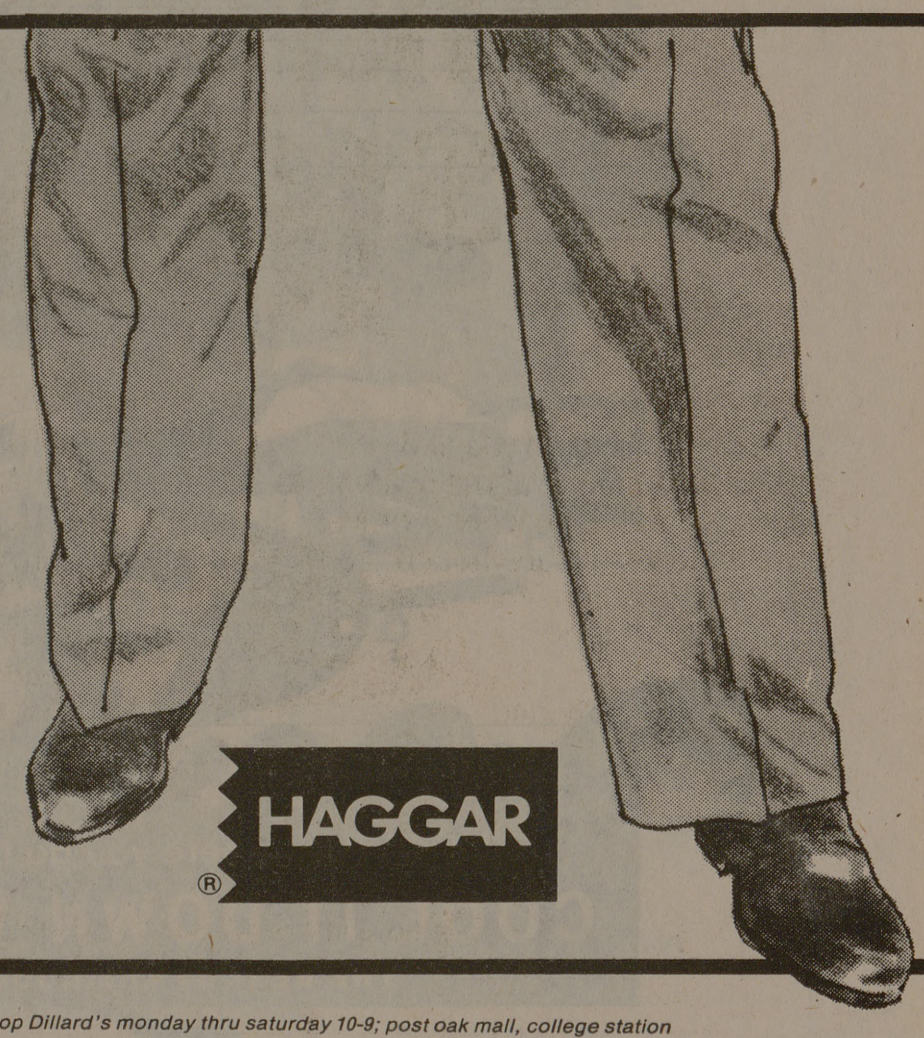


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