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Candidates discuss issues

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All five student body presidential candidates gathered on the eve of the election before a crowd of less than 50 to debate and discuss the more important issues in an open forum.

The main issues were senior final exemptions, the student center complex fee referendum, the new Faculty Senate, minority recruitment and student representation in the Texas Legislature.

There was little debate, as the five candidates were in basic agreement on these issues. All are in favor of keeping senior final exemptions, raising the student center complex fee, and creating a special reserve fund, working in cooperation with the faculty senate, increasing minority recruitment and increasing student involvement in state legislation concerning Texas A&M and the Permanent University Fund.

All five are also in agreement that communication between student government and the student body needs improvement.

Candidate Keith Carmichael, a junior marketing major from Wharton, is proposing the creation of a special committee comprised of leaders from every student organization, from fraternities to the Corps of Cadets. This "super-committee" would meet regularly, helping to further unify the entire student body.

Carmichael is the only cadet in the race.

Grant Swartzwelder, a junior petroleum engineering major from Lufkinville, proposes to give student government a new direction —

one of student service.

Candidate Jay Holland says he will work for increased student safety, hoping to improve fire alarm and prevention systems in dorms and other campus buildings. Holland is a senior finance major from Dallas.

Diane Baumbach, a senior accounting major from Bryan, is the only woman in the race. She is also the first candidate in several years to be endorsed by The Battalion Editorial Board.

Baumbach stresses in her campaign foresight on the part of student government, so that students can voice their opinion on issues before proposals are made by the Faculty Senate, not after.

David Alders, a junior agricultural economics major from Nacogdoches, stresses the student government must develop an image of maturity and credibility in order to be effective when confronting University administrators on issues such as parking, the University Center, and the proposed special events center.

For the first time ever, students voting in today's and Wednesday's election will be making a decision concerning student fees. The University Center Fee Referendum is on the ballot, offering students three options:

- Option 1(a) calls for an increase in the current \$10 per semester fee to \$16, over a three year period.

- Option 1(b) calls for an increase in the fee to \$20 per semester, using the extra \$4 to establish a special reserve fund for the center.

- Option 2 proposes to leave the fee as it is, with no increases.

All five candidates support option 1(b) realizing the needs of the Uni-



Photo by DEAN SAITO

These empty chairs show the sparse attendance at the student body presidential forum

Monday night. The five presidential candidates, right, fielded questions from students.

versity Center. The Center is currently operating with a \$160,000 deficit, and if an increase is not voted in, some services offered by the Center may have to be eliminated. At the very least, user fees may have to be established for the use of meeting rooms and other facilities.

The state Legislature has OK'd an increase and set a ceiling on this fee of \$20 per semester, but any increase must be approved by the students.

All candidates support option 1(b) because it would create a special re-

serve fund, a fund that would be controlled by students. With this fund, the University Center could secure a sound financial future, one that would allow for improvement and expansion.

Alders differed from the other candidates with his opinion that the Faculty Senate should carry more weight than the Student Senate in recommendations made to the University administrators. Faculty members have their careers wrapped up in this University, he says, while a

majority of students remain here only four or five years.

Alders also said faculty members are interested in students by the very nature of their jobs, and they know better than students what is academically superior.

With the candidates all in such basic agreement on the issues, the major decision faced by voters will not be which candidate shares their opinions, but rather which candidate can best accomplish the goals that have been set.

Plans for 48 suites heard

By STEPHANIE M. ROSS
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Plans for an additional 48 suites to be built in the north endzone of Kyle Field were presented to the Board of Regents Planning and Building Committee Tuesday.

On the second day of the board meetings, Committee Chairman Joe C. Richardson presented a scale model for the 48 new suites to be built around the horseshoe at the north end of Kyle field. The complex would also include facilities to accommodate 1,200 for meetings and social events.

The project will be funded by donations from the Aggie Club. Richardson said that people have already committed to leasing 22 of the suites even though a definite price for each suite has not been set. The project will be funded by the lease revenues, which will be set higher than construction costs. The additional funds generated by the leases will be combined with other funds to move the track in Kyle Field and build a combination weight facility, physiology laboratory and coaches office at the south end of the field.

The track on Kyle Field is in need of extensive repair, and because of this, a Southwest Conference track meet has not been held here in three years. The proposal, still in the planning stage, proposes to move the track to a location near Olsen Field. Moving the track, which is planned to be completed before the construction at Kyle Field, is estimated to cost \$1.8 million.

In other reports by the Planning and Building Committee, a plan to fix the leaks in the existing suites in Kyle Field was presented. Because of contractions and expansions between a wall and a walkway on the third deck above the suites, water seeps into the boxes when the walkway is flooded. Water from the air conditioning system is also causing problems.

Plans for the University to pay for the rerouting of the street around the site of the carillon were also discussed. The committee decided not to ask Ford D. Albritton, the donor of the carillon, to finance the rerouting because his proposed site did not involve moving a street, and the cost will be minimal compared to the cost of the gift. The street will be moved to make a circular driveway around the carillon.

In other action, the committee of the whole approved appropriation of \$987,270 from the Available University Fund to meet the goals outlined in the Texas Plan for minority recruitment.

U.N. investigates charges

Experts say nerve gas used in Iran

United Press International

UNITED NATIONS — U.N. specialists agreed unanimously that mustard gas and the nerve agent Tabun were used on Iranian soldiers in the 43-month-old Persian Gulf war against Iraq, their report said Monday.

The report, which did not say which country used the chemical weaponry, came amid new Iranian charges that Iraq had unleashed another chemical weapons assault in the southern battlefield, injuring 90 Iranian soldiers.

The report by U.N. chemical warfare experts who visited the battlefield to investigate previous Iranian charges concluded unanimously that

"chemical weapons in the form of aerial bombs have been used in the areas inspected in Iran by the specialists."

"The types of chemical agents used were bis-(2-chlorethyl)-sulfide, also known as mustard gas, and ... a nerve agent known as Tabun.

"The extent to which these chemical agents have been used could not be determined within the time and resources available to us," the specialists said.

The report was signed by Dr. Gustav Andersson of Sweden, Dr. Manuel Dominguez of Spain, Dr. Peter Dunn of Australia, and Col. Ulrich Imobersteg of Switzerland.

They were sent to Iran by Secre-

tary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar two weeks ago and stayed from March 13 through 19.

A list of 41 patients examined by the specialists was attached to the 28-page report.

Iran's official news agency, in a dispatch monitored in London before the U.N. report was released, said the latest attack Saturday brought to 2,700 the number of Iranian soldiers "wounded and martyred in dozens of chemical attacks" by Iraq in the 3 1/2 year war.

"Some 600 Moslem combatants were injured by chemical weapons used by the Baghdad regime in Jofair, Talayeh, southwest of Ahvaz, and Zaid, northeast of Basra" in the

attack Saturday, IRNA reported.

There was no independent confirmation of the Iranian news report.

In introductory remarks to the U.N. report, Perez de Cuellar "deplored that their unanimous conclusions substantiate the allegations that chemical weapons have been used."

"Indeed, the Secretary-General attaches paramount importance to the strict observance of all the principles and rules of international conduct accepted by the world community for the overriding purpose of preventing or alleviating human suffering..."

"The Secretary-General remains deeply convinced that these humanitarian concerns can only be fully satisfied by putting an end to the tragic

conflict that continues to deplete the precious human resources of Iran and Iraq.

"He therefore once again reiterates his readiness to assist in any endeavor that could lead to peace for the people of these two countries," the report said.

The specialists described a type of green-painted bomb, more than seven feet long and more than one foot in diameter, that was being used to carry the gas in liquid form.

All the bombs carried the markings "BR 250 WP" and were fitted with a timing fuse that could be set at different altitudes for maximum effect, the specialists said.

Christian Democrats claim early lead in El Salvador's presidential elections

United Press International

SAN SALVADOR — Christian Democratic candidate Jose Napoleon Duarte claimed a substantial lead Monday in presidential elections disrupted by confusion over voting rules and guerrilla attacks.

The Central Election Commission did not immediately announce any official returns of the election Sunday and final results were not expected until Wednesday.

But Duarte's Christian Democrats announced an unofficial tally of half the vote that gave their liberal candidate a substantial lead over his main rivals — Roberto d'Aubuisson of the far-right Nationalist Republican Alliance and Francisco Jose Guerrero of the Conservative National Conciliation Party.

There were eight candidates in the race and if none of them wins more than 50 percent of the vote, a run-off between the two leaders will be held, probably in May.

In Washington, President Reagan praised Salvadorans for braving rebel violence and sabotage to vote and

said the turnout at the polls for the presidential election was "a victory for freedom over tyranny."

Reagan told a White House Medal of Freedom ceremony that he had been in touch with members of the Congress who observed Sunday's voting in El Salvador and reported their "complete enthusiasm (about) the heroism ... of these people who, in spite of everything, insisted on going to vote."

The elections were considered crucial to Reagan's program of military and economic support for the Salvadoran government in its four year war against a leftist guerrilla insurgency.

American congressional observers said the elections had been successful despite widespread confusion over rules requiring voters to cast ballots only at a particular booth corresponding to their national identification card.

"These elections have demonstrated convincingly, without a doubt, that the people of El Salvador want freedom," said House Demo-

cratic Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Tex.

Wright, speaking at a news conference before departing for Washington, said he believed El Salvador needs the \$93 million in increased military aid that the Reagan Administration is seeking.

"I think it would be foolhardy to deny the reasonable amount of assistance which has been requested," said Wright, co-leader of the 30-member official U.S. observer delegation.

Wright said it appeared that 70 percent of all eligible voters, about 1.3 million people, were able to vote — a turnout he described as "highly acceptable." Voting is mandatory in El Salvador.

Christian Democratic Party Secretary General Julio Adolfo Rey Prendes said that with 50 percent of the votes counted, Duarte garnered 355,655 votes compared to 216,132 for d'Aubuisson and 130,694 for Guerrero.

Rey Prendes said five minor parties were drawing few enough votes that Duarte's majority could hold up,

avoiding a run off with the number two contender, currently d'Aubuisson.

The Christian Democrats compiled their statistics by party activists telephoning results into party headquarters following counts at the local boxes, party officials said.

Duarte, 57, who favors a "dialogue" with the leftist guerrillas, and d'Aubuisson, 40, who wants a "total military victory," were the pre-election favorites to meet in a run-off that would likely be held in May.

Duarte, president of a 1980-82 civilian-military junta, drew support from peasants who benefited from land reform and labor unions, while d'Aubuisson had support from the middle class and those affected by land reform.

The 39,000-member armed forces, traditionally the power broker in El Salvador, pledged neutrality and did not vote.

Other attacks disrupted voting in towns in the east, and officials said balloting was not possible in 43 locations across the country.

In Today's Battalion

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National

- The U.S. Supreme Court denied an appeal from "Candyman" Ronald Clark O'Bryan's lawyers. O'Bryan is scheduled to be executed Saturday. See story page 5.

State

- Dallas Cowboy's star Drew Pearson is listed in satisfactory condition at a Dallas hospital following a car crash that killed his brother. See story page 5.
- Attorneys are seeking a civil suit against the prosecution who sent an innocent man to jail for 16 months. See story page 6.