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By REBECCA ADAIR Staff Writer

sday's Faculty Senate run-off provided the Senate with members, voted in by over culty members from the canrespective colleges.

is year's election participation fround 35 percent of the fac-close to last year's approximate the College of Agriculture's tetween Donald E. Farris and E. Hart for Place 13, Hart won

6 votes to Farris' 40. te 14 in the same college is to ed by Gary E. Briers, who won Edward Funkhouser by 44 to

Presley will serve in Place 4 e College of Geosciences, haveleated Dusan Djuric with 26

the original race for Place 4 in College of Geosciences, three idates split the 32 ballots with 1 and 9 votes. To determine candidate winning nine votes go on to the runoff, the elec-ommittee used a lot system.

the 62 ballots cast in the race Place 8 in the College of Science, iam H. Bassichis received 34 sto defeat Dana P. Williams who

he College of Veterinary Medis new Senator for Place 4 will be e Gross, who received 38 votes to ssell B. Simpson's 34 votes.
These results are unofficial until tified by the Faculty Senate in

Texas firms affected by MSC bankruptcy

Four Texas financial institutions among more than 60 across the on caught by surprise when a w Jersey government securities aler sought refuge in federal

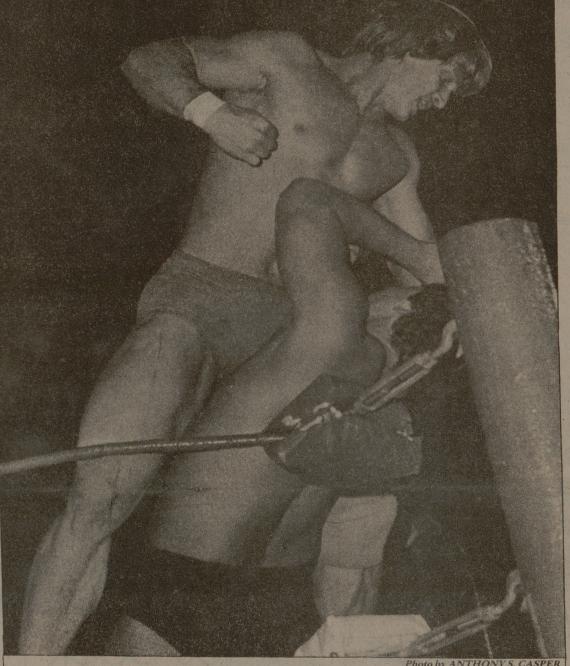
If the four Texas firms, Vernon vings & Loan Association of Ver-m, about 50 miles northwest of Wi-ita Falls, is the largest creditor h \$10.5 million at stake.

The others are Government Emovment Credit Union of San Anto-o, Hi-Plains Savings & Loan Asso-ation of Hereford and Mainland vings & Loan in Houston.

reasury securities through Bevill Bresler & Schulman Asset Manageent Corp. and "we are taking legal ness emedies now to get those securities

"We feel there will be, if any, mimal loss that will occur," he said. and is open to tourists.

I there were to be a loss, it The Texas Parks and Wildlife De-If there were to be a loss, it ouldn't have a material impact on he net worth of Vernon Savings &



Skull Crusher

High-flying Kevin Von Erich lets loose on Texas State Wrestling Champ, the Handsome Half-breed, Gino Hernandez, Tuesday night at the Brazos County Rodeo Arena. Von Erich won the contest which was sponsored by the Bryan Jaycees in cooperation

with the Paris, Texas, Jaycees, KTAW, McCaw Cablevision and Miller High Life. The Bryan Jaycees are looking into the possibility of offering professional wrestling to the area on a semi-annual basis with the money made going to local charities.

Battleship Texas

Gift shop closing down to upgrade image

HOUSTON — Would you like to own a toothpick holder inscribed Pat Malone, president of the Vermon bank's Dallas division, said his about 18,451 matchbooks, or a set of lim holds \$10.5 million in U.S. sel? Now's your chance — the state is

> The Battleship Texas, veteran of two wars, is docked at the San Jacinto Battleground near Houston

getting out of the memorabila busi-

partment, which operates and maintains the floating tourist attraction, decided in 1983 to close a gift shop

on the vessel, and officials said the state has no plans to get back into the tourist trinket business.

As a result, about 1,000 different items are now offered for sale by sealed bid.

There is a catch, though: the successful bidder has to buy all of the trinkets. The memorabilia include 18,451

matchbooks featuring a picture of the battleship and 2,168 key rings inscribed with the ship name.

There also are 151 salt and pep-

per shakers, 720 toothpick holders, and 27 bronze ashtrays Those items make sense for a bat-

but what they can't explain is the 19 clam-shaped piggy banks or the col-lection of costume jewelry.

'I don't know what the hell that has to do with the Battleship Texas, but we have it," said Dan Harrison, superintendent of the docked

Texas is attempting to renovate the battleship and it was decided to remove the gift shop.

We are trying to bring the ship up to the standards it was at in 1944 and the interpretive people felt a gift shop was not appropriate," said Har-

Japanese will open markets to U.S. trade

three-year plan Tuesday to open its markets to foreign products. Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone urged his people to buy imported goods, saying a trade war would bring eco-nomic disaster upon them.

No quick results were expected from the Japanese plan, and initial reaction from the United States was muted. Congress, frustrated by a \$37 billion U.S. trade deficit with Japan in 1984, has demanded the United States retaliate if Japan does not ease trade barriers. not ease trade barriers.

The Japanese also stressed the need to reduce the dollar's value against the yen, which contributes to the trade imbalance by making Japanese products cheaper to the consumer and U.S. goods more expen-

Japan's three-year program deals with telecommunications, electronics

and other major trade areas of most concern to the United States.

Nakasone urged the Japanese, in a nationally televised speech and news conference after the program was announced, to "please buy foreign products.'

He said Japan must move rapidly toward freer trade because "terrible depression and unemployment"

as the United States took protection-

as the United States took protectionist measures. Japan has few natural resources and its economy is built on industrial exports.

Japan had an overall trade surplus of \$44.2 billion last year, \$36.8 billion of it with the United States.
Congress has called for sanctions unless tapan makes it experts for Americans. less Japan makes it easier for American goods to enter its markets and

redress the balance.

The report on "external economic measures" issued Tuesday includes the plan to open markets and says an outline of the program will be completed by July.

In the package are pledges to accept foreign clinical test data for medical equipment, eventually to lower tariffs on plywood products, to simplify technical standards for computer equipment and to ease the computer equipment and to ease the way for the purchase of American communications satellites.

It also promises greater freedom for foreign lawyers to practice in Japan, another U.S. demand; more Japanese and to developing nations, and attention to the interests of Southeast Asia and Europe in future

The United States sees telecommunications, electronics, medical

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Democrats bill Strake for votes

Reporter

A \$260,000 bill from the Brazos Valley Democratic Party to the Texas Republican Party was unveiled at a press conference Tues-

In October 1984, Texas Republican Party Chairman George Strake said he would pay \$1,000 for each illegal vote cast in Brazos County, said Ron Gay, chairman of the Brazos County Democratic party.

Gay pointed out that in a recent Brazos Valley Court decision 260 votes were found to be cast illegally in the November 1984 election. Student votes were said to account for 80 percent to 90 percent of the ille-

"Mr. Strake, it's time to pay up," Gay said. "We will accept cash, checks, and major credit cards."

The number of illegal votes affected the outcome of the November race for Brazos County Sheriff be-tween Republican candidate Ron Miller and Democratic candidate Howard Hill. The results were de-clared void April 2 by State District Ludge Arth w Leeberg Characteristics Judge Arthur Lesher of Houston.

Hill was the incumbent sheriff, the office of Brazos County Sheriff is open and an interim sheriff should

be appointed, Gay said.

"Mr. Miller shouldn't be allowed to serve an office until this matter is resolved," said Gay.

Lesher ordered a special election to be held on the earliest possible date allowed by Texas law, which is August 10, 1985. Miller will serve as sheriff until the special election is

Miller has appealed the case and the appeals court could postpone the election until it reviews the case

Classes do not begin at Texas A&M until Sept. 2; therefore, many students will not be present to vote in the election. Gay said he feels it is impossible to choose a day when everyone would be able to vote

"No matter what day is chosen for the election, it won't be convienient for the entire voting public," Gay

He said the decision to have the election in August was a nonpartisan decision made by the court.

Students will be able to vote absentee if the August election takes

tuition hike Out-of-state students fighting

By JEFF L. BRADY Staff Writer

Out-of-state students at Texas &M are battling to keep the Texas gislature from boosting their tu- completely. Cuff says. ion by as much as 3,000 percent

ulf, president of the Out-of-State Student Association. "Right now it seems like every-

lo anything," she says. "But there as to be someone who can step out. help us and tell us we're not freeloa-

A bill sponsored by state Rep. Wilnelmina Delco will hike in-state tution to \$8 per semester hour and if approved without change

In addition, many out-of-state tuition exemptions will be struck down

The result could be a jump in tu-"If you were in our position, how tould you feel?" asks Mary Ellen ition from \$4 per semester hour (for an out-of-state student paying instate tuition) to \$120 per semester hour (for the proposed out-of-state tuition), or an increase of 3,000 per-with congressional attempts to gen-

> George Torrez, a staff member of the legislature's Higher Education Committee, points out that the current form of Delco's bill includes to generate more money to cover the many measures added on the House floor that Delco does not favor.

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erate emergency funds. But says the legislature is not going about it in a responsible way.

state budget after a sudden drop in expected oil revenue.

He also points out that 25 percent of all tuition revenues would circulate back into financial aid under versity will experience. Delco's original plan.

money in three months is practically impossible," Cuff says.

"I don't have that much further to state tuition.
go," she adds. "I can make it — take

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18 hours and graduate. But some people are much worse off."

Cuff points out, however, that her organization is not against all forms of a tuition increase.

'There's no question about it." she says. "It needs to go up.'

What concerns her organization, Cuff says, is the dramatic increase students already attending the Uni-

Non-resident students at most "To come up with that kind of other state universities pay twice as oney in three months is practically much as residents, she says. But at Fexas A&M, non-residents would be paying more than 10 times the in-

She admits, however, that many

to be the best bargain for a quality education.

"It's still cheaper for some out-ofstate people to come here than to go to their own state schools," she says. Cuff has collected 393 signatures in the last two weeks on a petition advocating a reduced percentage increase for non-resident student tu-

Another option, she suggests, would be to work a grandfather clause into the Delco Bill, so that those students already enrolled would not be affected.

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