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## Cisneros appointed to Board of Regents



Henry Cisneros

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San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros was appointed by Gov. Mark White Thursday to fill a vacancy on the Texas A&M Board of Regents.

Cisneros, a 1968 graduate of Texas A&M, will serve the remainder of H.R. "Bum" Bright's unexpired term.

Bright, 64, was removed as the Board's chairman in March. He resigned in August after Houston attorney Joe Reynolds was elected the board's vice chairman. Bright says he objected to Reynolds serving as

an officer because he is not a graduate of A&M.

Texas A&M University System Chancellor Arthur G. Hansen says he is pleased that Cisneros has been chosen to fill the vacancy on the nine-member Board.

"I'm just delighted (with the selection of Cisneros)," Hansen says. "I think the governor made an excellent choice."

"He (Cisneros) is a very popular political figure, having been one of the people considered as a Democratic vice presidential candidate."

Cisneros is not only exceptional in politics, Hansen says, but the 37-

year-old mayor also has made great strides in the development of San Antonio.

"He is an outstanding man," Hansen says, "warm, personable and humble. He is aggressive, bright, articulate — the type of person you want on the board."

Texas A&M President Frank E. Vandiver also is happy with the appointment of Cisneros.

"He is a splendid choice," Vandiver says. "It's just marvelous."

"It (the choice of Cisneros) couldn't be better both from an academic standpoint and from the standpoint of former students. I'm very pleased."

Cisneros earned a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in urban planning from Texas A&M. While at the University as an undergraduate he was a member of the Corps of Cadets.

Also, Cisneros earned a bachelor's degree from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and a doctorate in public administration from George Washington University.

When he was 23, Cisneros was honored by being the youngest person to ever be chosen to serve as a White House fellow.

In 1981, Cisneros was elected mayor of San Antonio.

His term on the board will expire Jan. 1, 1987.

Cisneros was out of the country at the time of the announcement late Thursday and was unavailable for comment.

## CS citizens suggest cable advisory group

By Amy Netterville  
Reporter

College Station residents voiced their opinions last night about the McCaw Cablevision issue at the city council meeting. The citizens suggested implementing a permanent cable advisory committee that would work with McCaw on the needs of the community.

McCaw decided not to drop Chicago independent channel WGN from its basic cable service because of citizen disapproval. Now McCaw critics charge that the new basic package currently being offered violates section 7 of the College Station ordinance because none of the five stations offered are NBC affiliates.

"If McCaw was truly concerned about public opinion they would have lived up to the promises made in section 7 of the ordinance," said Scott Lummer, a College Station resident on the Cable Improvement Association. "A lot of the city council's attention has been on this issue and I would like to see the city council take some permanent action to ensure these arbitrary changes in cable policy do not happen again."

College Station mayor Gary Halter suggested the city affairs committee review the recommendations submitted by the citizens.

Also the council approved stripping Southwest Parkway, which will do away with bike lanes, making the street four lanes with a center turn lane. Although there will be no bike lanes, bikers will be allowed on the street.

"Southwest Parkway carries around 11,000 to 15,000 vehicles per day," said El Ray Ash, director of capital improvements. "The roadway needs to be striped to handle the vehicle load it carries."

The council will look at alternative bike routes and sidewalk plans for the area.

Other considerations approved by the council were:

- Two proclamations designating the week of June 16 through June 22, 1985 as "Safety in the Workplace Week" and "Selective Service Registration Week" in College Station.
- Write-off of uncollectable taxes.



## Anticipation

Photo by ANTHONY S. CASPER

Camp Adventurers Steven Crain, left, and Chris Kent, right, roast marshmallows after learning how to properly build a campfire. Camp Adven-

ture, sponsored by the Texas A&M Department of Health and Physical Education, teaches youngsters gymnastics, archery, swimming and other sports.

## Reagan vows hopeful future under tax plan

Associated Press

BLOOMFIELD, N.J. — President Reagan sought more support for his tax-overhaul proposals Thursday, promising a bright economic future if the public will help him dump the current federal tax code on "the ash heap of history."

In an upbeat 18-minute address to a crowd of about 10,000, he specifically defended his call to end the deduction for state and local taxes and generally applauded his plan as "a good deal for the American people."

"I'm not optimistic about the future of America because I have a sunny disposition; I'm not optimistic because I don't know the realities — I'm optimistic because I do know them, I'm optimistic because I have witnessed the American experience for more than seven decades and I know that the American people can do anything," Reagan said.

"In the past five years," Reagan continued, "the American people — not the politicians, not the elites, not the heavy-browed intellectuals, but the American people — single-handedly turned our country around. And all we in Washington did was try to get the government out of your way."

He repeated his warning to Congress that "I have a veto pen ready" for anyone who tries to turn tax reform into a tax increase, as some have suggested to help trim the budget deficit.

Reagan's proposals call for reducing individual and business tax rates,

raising the personal exemption and standard deductions and paying for those changes by killing or cutting various deductions and credits and increasing the corporate tax burden somewhat.

New Jersey was the eighth state Reagan has visited in less than three weeks on behalf of his tax proposals.

This time, following a meeting Wednesday with conservative GOP legislators, he added a postscript to his call for people to write their senators and representatives and demand tax reform.

He urged that Congress also be reminded to "go forward with that budget we've proposed" to cut government spending.

Meanwhile, tailoring his message to the local crowd, Reagan said he hoped those in the audience had had time "to sit down at the kitchen table" and figure their taxes under his plan.

He said the "typical income" for a family of four in New Jersey was \$36,450. He then calculated the hypothetical family's current federal tax bill of \$4,635 would be reduced by more than \$650 by his proposals.

As for ending the deduction for state and local taxes, Reagan dismissed arguments that many people will be hurt by the move, saying "it's simply not true."

He said two-thirds of the people living in states with high taxes do not itemize and thus do not use the deduction.

He said those who do itemize will be helped by lower tax rates.

## Eaton not interested in UT president's post

By JERRY OSLIN  
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A Texas A&M University System administrator said Tuesday that he is not interested in becoming president of the University of Texas at Austin even though he is on the list of those being considered.

Dr. Gordon Eaton, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said he had been nominated to succeed outgoing UT president, Dr. Peter Flawn, but is not interested in the job.

"I take it (the nomination) as a vote of confidence," Eaton said, "but I'm not willing to be considered an active candidate."

Eaton said he received a formal letter of inquiry from the search committee but indicated on it that he was not interested before returning it.

"I have been with Texas A&M for a little under four years and I hope to stay here," he said.

Another system administrator, Dr. Duwayne Anderson, also was nominated as a candidate for the job. Anderson, the associate provost for research, could not be reached for comment. His secretary said he did not wish to comment on the issue.



Dr. Gordon Eaton

The Austin American Statesman and the Dallas Morning News reported Eaton and Anderson were among the 141 people who applied or were nominated for the UT presidency.

Among the 141 reported candidates are: Jeane Kirkpatrick, former ambassador to the United Nations; Gov. Bruce Babbitt of Arizona; Harold Brown, former secretary of defense; and John Lehman, current secretary of the Navy.

Flawn announced last December that he would retire August 31 after six years as president.

## Tuition hike still not signed

## Governor inks anti-crime package

Associated Press

AUSTIN — A cluster of anti-crime bills were signed into law Thursday, including a victims' bill of rights and a measure to allow judges to tell juries what effects parole could have on prison sentences.

Gov. Mark White said he still has some 400 bills left from the 1985 Legislature to consider — including the \$37.2 billion state budget, a bill to triple college tuition and one to require motorists to wear seat belts.

The bills must be signed or vetoed by midnight Sunday, or they become law without White's action.

The governor said the anti-crime package he approved Thursday shows the state can protect its citizens.

"We are doing something about

crime in Texas," White said. "We are doing something about criminals and we are doing something for victims."

White said the anti-crime bills passed this legislative session "will ensure that every individual in every house on every street in every city in Texas will be safer."

The victims' bill of rights calls for notifying and explaining procedures in the criminal process to victims, including pre-trial release of suspects, trial, sentencing and parole.

It also provides for written input from victims regarding the physical, financial and emotional effects of crime on them, and says that will be considered by the parole board before a prisoner is released on parole.

The legislation to have parole laws

explained to juries was sponsored by Sen. Buster Brown, R-Lake Jackson.

During hearings around the state, he said, "Witnesses decried the fact that juries are not allowed to know the full facts about sentencing. With the passage of the jury instruction bill, the blindfold will finally be removed from the eyes of juries in Texas."

The bill allows juries considering punishment recommendations to be told the effects of parole laws and "good time" rules on the length of time an inmate serves in prison.

Another bill signed by White will require lawyers to bring up an error in an indictment before the time of trial. The state then will have an opportunity to correct the error.

The governor also praised bills

that he said will help crack down on inhalant abuse.

The bills increase penalties for possession and use of toxic inhalants, better define abusable glues and spray paint, specify which cannot be sold to persons under age 17 and give greater flexibility in commitment proceedings for chronic abusers.

As for bills he has yet to sign, White said he is inclined to approve the measure tripling state college tuition to \$12 per semester hour this fall.

White said he is satisfied that the bill includes sufficient funds to permit poor students who are otherwise qualified to attend college.