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A senior administration official,

-briefing reporters on condition he not be identified, said the money

would be used to compete with na-

tions that not only provide low-cost loans to help foreign buyers acquire selected goods but sometimes even

pay foreign buyers directly for choosing certain products. Sen. John Danforth, R-Mo., an author of major trade legislation

pending in Congress, hailed Rea-

gan's speech as "exactly what is needed . . . a terrific speech" but use-ful only if the administration carries

Reaction from congressional Democrats, who have been critical of the administration's response to trade deficits inching toward \$150 billion, was less favorable.

"The Reagan administration still has one eye closed as it faces a mounting crisis in foreign trade,"

said Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill.

chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. "They're still way behind a Congress bent on toughen-ing our response to unfair trade."

"Let no one mistake our resolve to

out the new program.

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### FarmAid proceeds fall short of goal

#### **Associated Press**

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. - At \$9 milon so far, proceeds from the all-star armAid benefit concert appeared be running short of the goal Monay but organizers said they would hap one organizers shall drey would be happy if the event triggered new interest in farmers' problems. By the time the 14-hour concert mded and 50 stars of country, rock

nd blues had left the stage early Monday, FarmAid had raised more han \$9 million. That was way below inger Willie Nelson's prediction of

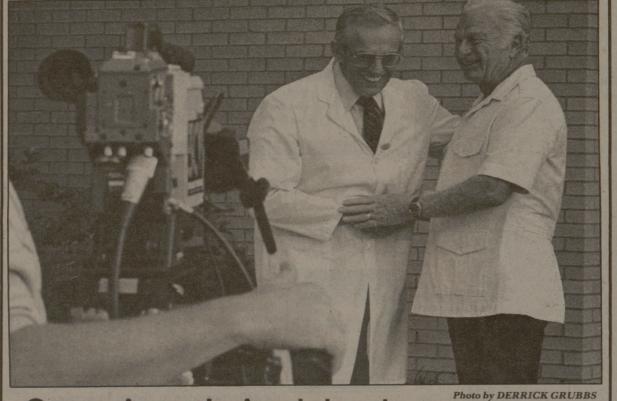
aising \$50 million. Nelson, who organized Sunday's how, said FarmAid received about 4 million from corporate donations nd ticket sales, and roughly \$5 mil-ion in pledges from television viewrs and radio listeners

But tabulation of the pledges was

"We don't know yet how much we aised," said spokeswoman Linda ounsberry for the Howard Bloom gency of New York, which handled comotion and publicity for the

The FarmAid money will be used or cash grants to needy farmers, leal aid, counseling and job training, nationwide information hotline

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### **Green Acres In Aggieland**

Veteran actor Eddie Albert, right, shares a laugh with Dr. Ed Lusas, head of Texas A&M's Food Protein Research and Development Center, during the filming of a documentary at the center. In addition to hosting the documentary, Albert is an

investor in a firm which is sponsoring research into the processing of corn into ethanol. Albert, 77, is best known for his roles in the television series Green Acres and Switch, as well as the motion pictures "Oklahoma" and "The Longest Day."

## Survivors found in quake debris Trained dogs aid rescue workers

#### **Associated Press**

MEXICO CITY - Rescue worksaid Monday they tunneled into e ruins of a government technical hool and found 26 survivors of xico's two killer earthquakes. ey said more people might be al-under the debris.

ple left homeless was estimated at 300,000. there were hopes of finding more

survivors. "We think there are more people President Reagan's wife, Nancy, came on a brief mission of inspection and sympathy, bringing a U.S. govtrapped alive inside," he said. dog was brought in and detected something. We are going to dig an-other tunnel. We heard some noises, ernment check for \$1 million to help She toured the city for 31/2 hours, but we could not determine the locavisiting survivors at refugee centers tion.

Residents of the capital began re-turning to work Monday. Banks were open, but officials said schools would remain closed until at least Wednesday.

The government solicited private and corporate donations to a national rebuilding fund. The quakes ted to have caused of dollars in damage to Mexico, whose economy is in recession and laboring under a \$96 billion foreign debt.

## **Reagan offers** refurbished trade policy

#### **Associated Press**

WASHINGTON — President Reagan, trying to stave off legis-lation to protect battered American industries from cheap imports, out-lined a refurbished trade policy Monday that is designed to combat unfair trade practices abroad and open foreign markets to U.S. goods.

"I will not stand by and watch American businesses fail because of unfair trading practices abroad," Reagan pledged in a speech to law-makers and business leaders invited to the White House to hear his announcement. "I will not stand by and watch American workers lose their jobs because other nations do not play by the rules.'

But Reagan, who has said quotas or tariffs to protect more expensive domestic products from foreign competition would lead to economic disaster, promised to veto measures "that I believe will harm economic growth, cause loss of jobs and diminish international trade.

The president said he would ask Congress to establish a \$300 million war chest to provide grants and loans to "counter our loss of business to trading partners who use what, in for the trade war with other nations," Reagan told his East Room audience. But he also warned, effect, are subsidies to deprive U.S.

## companies of fair access to world oppose any and all unfair trading markets." **Aggies from Mexico** await news of families

By JUNE PANG Staff Writer

find out the situation of their families. "We've been giving priority to

At a collapsed apartment build-, a German shepherd rescue dog ed Bobby sniffed and pawed at a spot in the ruins. An hour's dig-ging freed 20-month-old Patricia Aguirres, dehydrated but otherwise unhurt despite being entombed ince the quakes Thursday and Fri-

Police and the attorney general's office said the death toll in Mexico City stood at 2,822 on Monday and the president's office said about 100 people were killed elsewhere in Mexico. Police said 4,180 people

were missing. The State Department said in Washington that 3,461 were known dead throughout the area struck by the quakes, including five Americans. The State Department said it based its figure on information from Mexican authorities

Mexico's federal health department said at least 11,000 people were injured by the quakes, which mashed the heart of this city of 18 million people. The number of peo"We think there are more people trapped alive inside (the debris) . . . . We heard some noises, but we could not determine the location."

- Dr. German Gonzalez, coordinator of the rescue effort at the Conalep technical school.

and a Red Cross hospital in the company of Paloma Cordero de la Madrid, wife of President Miguel de la Madrid.

Pope John Paul II said a special Mass for the quake victims at his summer palace at Castel Gandolfo, in the Alban hills south of Rome.

Dozens of flights arrived from abroad with with rescue squads, demolition experts, medicine, temporary shelters, food and clothing.

Dr. German Oropewz Gonzalez, coordinator of the rescue effort at the Conalep technical school, said

More than 50 specially trained dogs were sent from France, Italy, Switzrland, West Germany, and the United States.

At the ruins of the Juarez hospi-tal, where at least 900 doctors, other medical personnel and patients were believed trapped, an intern crawled through a tunnel to safety at 5:30 a.m. Monday.

Other rescuers found 18-monthold Jessica Alonso on Sunday. She had been buried for 80 hours next to the body of her mother, and started crying when one of her saviors picked her up.

A principal concern is the possible outbreak disease because of the decaying bodies and severe shortage of potable water.

City officials said hundreds of bodies still unclaimed in temporary morgues would be buried or cremated to reduce the risk of disease

At the old Seguro Social baseball park, bodies were stacked in white plastic bags awaiting identification. Ice was brought in to delay decomposition.

Individual burials occurred in quick succession at the San Lorenzo cemetery on the city's outskirts. Five huge common graves were prepared for 2,500 unidentified bodies.

Presidential spokesman Ricardo Ampudia, said Sunday that 5 percent of the city remained without electricity and 20 percent did not have drinkable water.

Since last Thursday, when an earthquake struck Mexico City, Mexican students at Texas A&M have been waiting for news from

While most students have received word from their families, others still don't know.

Angel Gonzalez-Mendez, presi-dent of A&M's Mexican Students' Association, in a report Wednesday to the MSC Council, said about 250 Mexican students attending school here have families in the area where the earthquake hit.

Oscar Pier, the secretary of The Mexican Students' Association, said he has spoken with about 30 Mexi-

can students. "I haven't heard of any family of a student being hurt," he said. "But many of them still don't know how their families are.'

Another Mexican student, Jose Ramon Torre, a doctoral student in bioengineering, Friday began work-ing with the MSC Amateur Radio Committee to help Mexican students

people whose families live in the most affected areas," Torre said. We're also driving down to Houston, giving lists of people to passen-gers who are flying to Mexico. We ask them to make phone calls to find out the situations for the people on the list. Then we ask the pilots to

bring the message back." Torre said as of Monday morning there were about 230 people on their list waiting to find out the wellbeing of their families. They have gotten 120 responses from Mexico, he said.

"Up to now, all the people we have heard about are OK," Torre said. "But we're worried about the most serious area. That's where the phones can't work.'

Torre said they had some luck after the first earthquake on Thursday because telephones inside Mexico City still worked. But after the second quake Saturday, it has been much harder to get a reponse.

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## NBC reports U.S. negotiated for for release of hostage

#### **Associated Press**

Vernon Walters, the United States ambassador to the United Nations, made a secret visit to Syria to gain the release of the Rev. Benjamin Weir, an Ameri-can held captive in Lebanon for 16 months, NBC News reported Monday.

Walters met with Syria's President Hafez Assad for four hours, NBC said. It did not state when Walters met with Assad.

Irene Payne, a press spokeswo-man at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, said Walters would go no further than he had at his news conference Thursday, when he explained why he was not at the Sept. 17 opening of the U.N. General Assembly.

Walters' reason for missing the opening was that he was on a mission for his government, but he refused to elaborate.

Weir was freed on Sept. 14 by

his Lebanese kidnappers.

in relief efforts.

The United States has consistently ruled out negotiations with terrorists, but last week, State Department spokesman Bernard Kalb said, "We are willing to discuss the safety of the American hostages.

At the time, the spokesman. had refused to elaborate or to say whether U.S. diplomats had such discussions before Weir's release.

Six other Americans remain captive in Lebanon. They are Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press; William Buckley, U.S. Embassy political officer; Peter Kilburn, a librarian at the American University of Beirut; the Rev. Lawrence Jenco, a Ro-man Catholic priest; David Jacob-sen, director of the American University hospital; and Thomas Sutherland, dean of agriculture at the university.

#### **By MARYBETH ROHSNER**

Staff Writer

The Board of Regents will not begin its search for a new Texas A&M University System chancellor until the beginning of 1986, said board Chairman David Eller after the regents' meeting Monday.

Dr. Arthur Hansen, who announced his plans for retirement Sunday, stated that he wanted to begin his own consulting business. Hansen, 60, said he would help the board make a smooth transition.

Eller said the System has improved since Hansen came to Colge Station in 1982. He added that Hansen "took a big business approach" to administration and was instrumental in developing Texas A&M's image as a major research university.

Hansen's previous announcement did not slow the board's usual business

The board approved the appro-priation of \$22 million for a biochemistry and biophysics building to be

## hancellor search to begin in '86

located on the west campus. new building will house the rapidlygrowing biochemistry and biophy-sics departments, which now teach classes in several different buildings on campus.

The board also approved an appropriation of \$5 million for improvements of Duncan Dining Hall. The planning and building committee said renovation will allow the en-tire Corps of Cadets to be served in 10 minutes by eliminating the current family-style method of serving cadets and adding fast-food lines like those in the Sbisa and Commons Dining Halls.

In response to a statewide higher education desegregation plan, the board approved plans for minority recruitment. The board allotted \$984,000 for minority undergraduate student scholarships and \$355,500 for graduate student fellowships.

The board also approved emeri-tus titles and granted tenure to several A&M faculty.





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Henry Cisneros attends the Board of Regents meeting Monday.