



WEATHER

FORECAST for WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny with mild temperatures. HIGH:78 LOW:54

Professors chosen for Faculty Senate

Thirty-three representatives selected

By Kelly S. Brown

STAFF WRITER

Thirty-three Faculty Senate seats were filled during yesterday's election...

The results of the election are unofficial until certified by the Faculty Senate in a May meeting...

year's turnout of 817 voters. Vote totals for the College of Medicine...

Fifty-five faculty members had been nominated for 35 Senate seats...

In an effort to avoid a run-off election, a new method of determining who wins in case of a tie was introduced...

three candidates, the voter was asked to rate the three on a scale from one to three...

The 1989-90 Senators nominated are the following faculty members:

- College of Agriculture: Place 4 - Jane M. Magill, Place 6 - Marvin K. Harris, Place 7 - Edward A. Funkhouser, Place 11 - John Stoll

- College of Architecture: Place 3 - Michael D. Murphy, Place 4 - Donald B. Austin

- College of Business Administration: Place 4 - R. Malcolm Richards, Place 6 - Samuel M. Gillespie

- College of Education: Place 4 - Jim Woosley, Place 5 - Victor L. Wilson, Place 7 - Jan Baldwin

- College of Engineering: Place 2 - Donn Edward Hancher

- Place 6 - Calvin E. Woods, Place 11 - James R. Morgan, Place 13 - C. Eugene Buth, Place 15 - Carroll J. Messer

- College of Geosciences: Place 1 - Peter Hugill, Place 3 - Stefan Gartner

- College of Liberal Arts: Place 1 - James Rosenheim, Place 5 - Stephen H. Daniel, Place 8 - Gary Halter, Place 9 - Janis Stout, Place 13 - Woodrow Jones, Place 14 - Howard B. Kaplan, Place 15 - Robert L. Ivie

- Place 16 - Roy Flemming, Sterling C. Evans Library: Place 2 - Donald H. Dyal

- College of Medicine: Ballots not in

- College of Science: Place 2 - Alan S. Rodgers, Place 3 - John Hogg, Place 5 - Charles E. Gates, Place 9 - John C. Hiebert

- College of Veterinary Medicine: Place 1 - Franklin J. Stein, Place 2 - Manuel A. Thomas

Castro discusses Cuban debt with Gorbachev

HAVANA (AP) — Presidents Mikhail S. Gorbachev and Fidel Castro went behind closed doors Monday for marathon talks...

A Soviet spokesman, asked whether Gorbachev would offer to forgive Cuba's massive debt...

The spokesman, Gennady I. Gerasimov, said Gorbachev's initial discussions with Castro...

He also said Gorbachev reported on the Soviet Union's recent multi-candidate parliamentary elections...

After the ceremonial laying of a wreath at the monument to José Martí, the father of Cuban independence...

Gorbachev's wife, Raisa, visited a day care center, a Cuban-Soviet friendship center and planned to tour the home of the late American author Ernest Hemingway...

Gerasimov said Gorbachev and Castro, in their opening talks, exchanged views on the March 26 Soviet elections and discussed problems in Latin America...

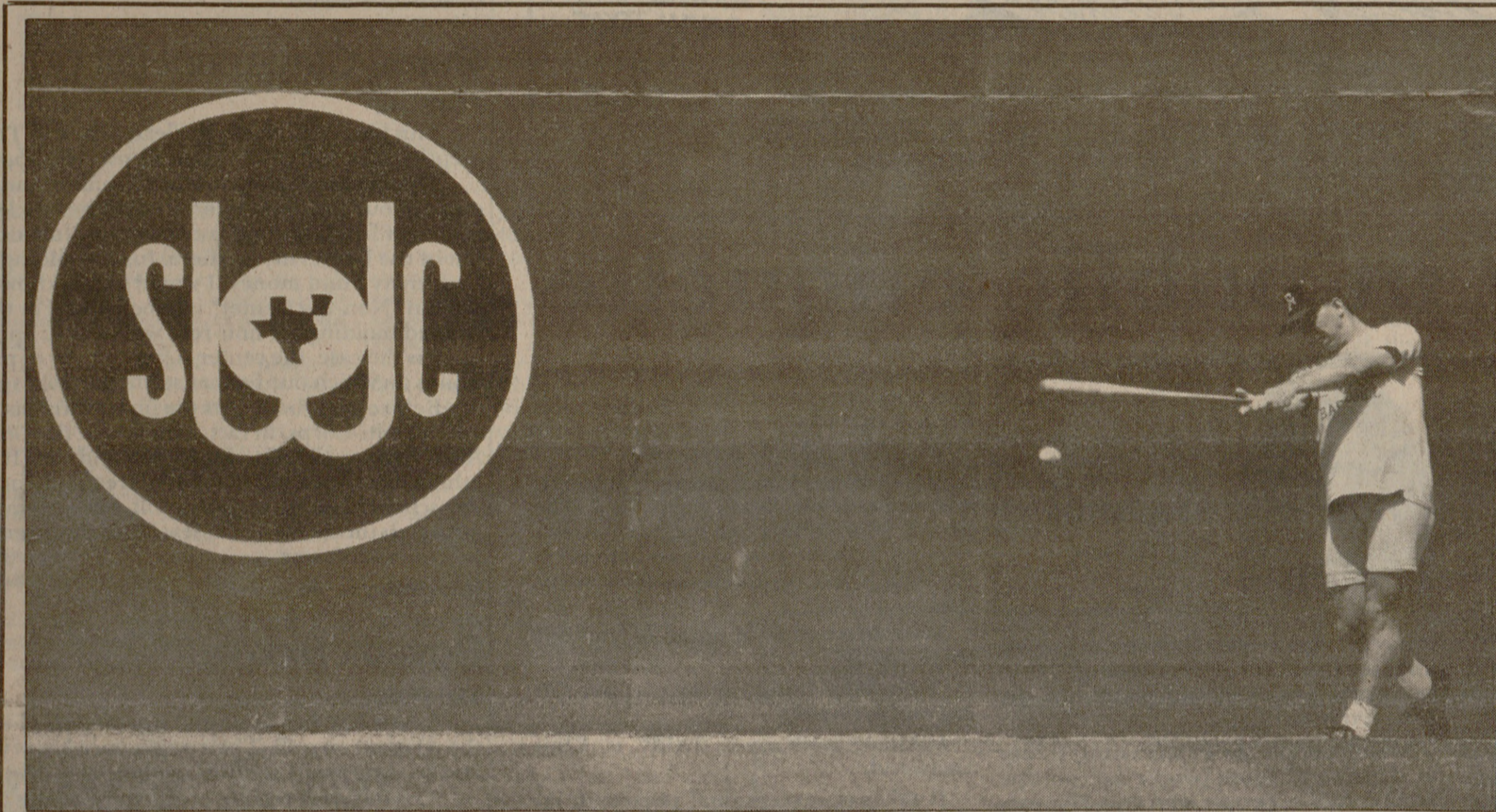
The spokesman observed that Latin American countries are increasingly becoming drug suppliers to North America...

The debt is only one aspect of the economic ties between the Soviet Union and Cuba. Soviet economic aid to Cuba is estimated by Western sources at between \$4 billion and \$7 billion annually...

Students decide 8 offices in run-off elections today

Eight offices in Student Government will be decided in today's run-off election. Polls will open at 9 a.m. at Blocker Building...

- Off-Campus Aggies President: Shawn Knight, Curtis Rick; Class of '90 Treasurer: Karen Hodge, Chris Leist; Class of '91 President: Phillip Robertson, Billy Flanagan; Class of '92 Vice-President: Patty Warhol, Bill Van Eman; Class of '92 Treasurer: Steve Beller, Rod Garrett; Off-Campus Senator Ward I: Kelly Schorre, Allison Baker; RHA Senators for Aston, Dunn and Cain Hall: Don Schuck, Darrell E. Alley; Education Senators: John Hubert, G.G. Grant



Practice makes perfect

Aggie baseball pitcher Jeff Johnson returns a ball from the outfield at batting practice Monday afternoon...

team, 6-0 in conference, is tied with the University of Arkansas for the top SWC spot...

Photo by Mike C. Mulvey

Author: Students should confront worldwide controversies head on

By Sherri Roberts

STAFF WRITER

The conservative environment that many say characterizes Texas A&M is not an excuse to avoid dealing with controversial issues...

"You learn a way of being in the world — of taking positions that may or may not cause disruption," Loeb told an audience of about 200...

Because many individuals feel they cannot make an impact on seemingly overwhelming issues regarding topics such as nuclear weapons, hunger, and the homeless, they are discouraged from trying to change the status quo...

the leadership of a few individuals who seek to raise the awareness of their peers and administrators regarding certain issues...

"I think that's a myth that only people in positions of power can make a difference," he said.

Former President Nixon said in his memoirs that it was a group of "hippies" protesting outside the window of his home that caused him to decide against using nuclear weapons in Vietnam during his presidency...

Loeb praised the action of A&M students who raised the apartheid shanty on campus to protest the University's investments in South Africa...

Students should be assertive in alerting university administrators to the curricular changes they want, Loeb said, noting that students at a California university were successful in their efforts to expand the school's curriculum to include ethnic studies...

Loeb said people too often accept the decisions

of congressmen who are motivated by economic interests and are shielded from the results of their decisions. Not a single U.S. congressman in power during the Vietnam war lost a son in that war, he said.

"The questions we need to ask are, 'Are they indeed wiser than we are?' and 'Should we trust them with that responsibility?'" he said.

Loeb said companies such as Lockheed and Boeing, which both manufacture aircraft materials, pump thousands of dollars into their lobbying efforts before Congress...

Congress spent \$400 billion on defense-related activities in 1988, in contrast to the \$21.8 billion spent for education projects, he said.

The Soviet Union is decreasing the militarization of its society, while the United States has yet to take similar steps, he said.

Concerning defense spending, Americans need to consider what is necessary, and what is needless excess, Loeb said.

Namibian violence continues; U.S. blames black nationalists

OSHAKATI, Namibia (AP) — Black nationalist guerrillas and South African-led security forces battled fiercely in Namibia on Monday in a third day of fighting that threatens to undermine a United Nations peace plan...

U.N. officials Monday afternoon gave permission for 1,500 South African and Namibian troops to leave their bases to help policemen fighting the 1,200 guerrillas, South African Col. Japie Dreyer and other officers said.

In New York, U.N. Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar said the eruption did not mean the peace plan is failing. The United States blamed the guerrillas for the fighting.

At least 147 people have been

killed in three days.

South African military officials say the fighting is the worst in 23 years of bush war against the guerrilla South-West Africa People's Organization...

Battles were reported Monday in at least half a dozen locations spread over hundreds of miles near the Angolan border, military and police spokesmen said.

They said the fighting was started by guerrillas who crossed the border Saturday from Angola. Such a border crossing would be a violation of peace agreements involving South Africa, Angola and Cuba.

Under the agreements, all guerrillas are to remain in Angola at least 100 miles north of Namibia's border until mid-May.

Guerrilla officials and the Angolan government said the fighters have been in Namibia some time and that they fired in self-defense after security forces attacked them.

South African and Namibian officials said at least 129 guerrillas and 18 policemen have died since fighting erupted Saturday, when the United Nations began supervising the transition to independence of the South African-administered territory.

Guerrillas said at least 48 civilians were killed.

Police and military said the guerrillas are equipped with submachine guns, rocket-propelled grenades and anti-aircraft missiles.

However, a captured guerrilla said his group carried only pistols.

Michigan wins NCAA tournament

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

Michigan won its first-ever national basketball championship Monday night when Rumeal Robinson sank two free throws with three seconds left in overtime to beat Seton Hall 80-79.

Seton Hall, making its first Final Four appearance in only its second NCAA tournament, had a chance to steal the victory, but a final desperation 3-point attempt banged off the glass and rim.

The victory was only the sixth win for interim head coach Steve Fisher, who took over the Michigan team just two days before the tournament began.

Glen Rice scored 31 points for Michigan, giving him an NCAA tournament record of 184, breaking the 24-year-old mark of 177 set by Bill Bradley of Princeton.

Robinson finished with 21 points and 11 assists.

The championship game was the fifth to go into overtime and the first since Loyola, Ill., beat Cincinnati 60-58 in 1963. It was also the third of the last eight championship games to be decided by one point.

Michigan earned its first national championship in three title-game appearances.

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Silver Taps ceremony to honor 3

The solemn sound of buglers playing "Taps" and the sharp ring of gunfire will be heard on campus tonight as three Texas A&M students who died during the past month are honored in a Silver Taps ceremony...

The ceremony is at 10:30 in front of the Academic Building.

The deceased students being honored are:

• Dale Robert Hastings, 18, a freshman aerospace engineering major from Morristown, New Jersey who died March 25.

• Karen Eileen Miller, 34, a senior health education major from College Station who died April 1.

• Jeffery Robert Wetuski, 20, a sophomore animal science major from Plantersville who died March 19.

Dating back almost a century, the stately tradition of Silver Taps is practiced on the first Tuesday of each month from September through April, when necessary. The names of the deceased students are posted at the base of the flag pole in front of the Academic Building, and the flag is flown at half-staff the day of the ceremony.

Lights will be extinguished and the campus hushed as Aggies pay final tribute to fellow Aggies.

The Ross Volunteer Firing Squad begins the ceremony, marching in slow cadence toward the statue of Lawrence Sullivan Ross. Shortly after, three volleys are fired in a 21-gun salute and six buglers play a special arrangement of "Taps" three times — to the north, south and west.

