# The Battalion

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**College Station, Texas** 

Cv-Fair

Navasota residents Bryan Storey, left, and Eddie Bosse watch an American Legion baseball game from the empty upper-level seats of Olsen Field under overcast skies Thursday afternoon.

### Photo by Phelan M. Ebenhack The two were there to watch Bosse's older brother, the catcher for the College Station team, play in the team's game against

### **Firemen steamed** over tickets issued by University Police

WEATHER

HIGH: 90s

TOMORROW'S FORECAST: Partly cloudy and cool in the morning with the clouds disap-

LOW: 70s

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pearing by midafternoon.

### **By Richard Tijerina**

### STAFF WRITER

Some of the 3,000 firemen staying at Texas A&M for the 60th Annual Texas Firemen's Training School became so steamed Thursday over parking tickets they've received they decided to do something about it.

Tickets they have received for parking in unauthorized areas since they've started the Training School July 16 sparked about 10 firemen to confront the A&M Parking and Transit Services at Southwest Savings on University Drive.

Firemen on the scene said they were unhappy that their vehicles had been towed away, and blamed the University and ongoing con-struction for the lack of parking

space. "When you've got 3500 firemen up here, five or 10,000 summer stu-dents and 7,000 faculty, you'll run out of parking room," one fireman said. "What's happened is they've had to rearrange everything and ev-erybody is confused."

Sponsored by the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, the training school holds sessions to teach firemen the latest firefighting techniques through opera-tional classes, student participation, See Protest/Page 6

class discussion and field exercises. The training school ends August 4. Director of Parking and Transit

Services Tom Williams said firemen have been coming in all week to complain about the parking prob-lem, and that the problem is the fire-men haven't paid attention to in-structions given to them on where to pack park

"The staff has to be on the job at 8 o'clock, students are here and they pay to park," Williams said. "Firemen were designated a number of parking areas. Some of them just didn't park where they were supposed to park. A lot of the lots are

empty so there's plenty of space." Williams said either a map the Parking and Transit Services gave to the Firemen's Training School that detailed authorized parking spaces wasn't distributed correctly or the firemen simply ignored it.

These recent parking problems with the Firemen's Training School might cause the Parking and Transit Services to become more involved with different conferences that require special parking, Williams said.

One fireman suggested signs be posted in parking areas around campus designating which were available for firemen and which were unau-

### Union workers demand halt of work on B-52s

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A gov-mment employees union is calling r a halt of work on B-52s at Kelly ir Force Base until investigators etermine the cause of a fatal fire nd explosion aboard one of the ombers.

One civilian worker was killed and ll other employees of the Directo-rate of Maintenance Aircraft Diviion were injured in the Monday laze and blast as workers attempted

a fuel the plane. Ramiro Martinez, president of the Kelly Air Force Base Chapter of the American Federation of Governnent Employees, said other employes may be in danger working near he planes during fueling.

Martinez alleged the bomber was eing fueled in an unauthorized

taining the flames was left to a small flightline fire truck not equipped to deal with a major blaze, the witnesses Civilian worker Jesus Pedraza Jr., 38, was killed in the blaze.

Eyewitness reports and other alle-gations of unsafe practices during fueling of aircraft at Kelly are under investigation by the union, Martinez said. His group sent a letter to base officials telling of their concerns.

Gen. Alfred Hansen, commander of the Air Force Logistics Command at Wright-Patterson AFB at Dayton, Ohio, is heading an Air Force-ap-pointed investigation board looking into the fire. Other board members from bases throughout the nation also will investigate

## **Crash of Korean DC-10 in Libya** kills at least 82, hits cars, 2 houses

ROME (AP) — A Korean Air DC-10 jetliner crashed short of a fog-bound airport in Tripoli, Libya on Thursday, killing at least 82 people — including four on the ground — as it cartwheeled through an olive more authorities said

grove, authorities said. It was the second crash of a DC-10 in eight days. A United Air Lines DC-10 crashed in Sioux City, Iowa,

on July 19, killing 111 people. The Korean plane, carrying 199 people, hit two houses and cars and split into three flaming pieces before it came to rest about a half-mile from the airport. More than 110 people were hospitalized, the official Libyan

news agency reported. Korean officials said most aboard

Chun said many of the victims were badly burned, making a count of the dead difficult.

He said 18 crew members survived, and four of them were slightly injured. Also surviving were signaly japanese passengers, he said. All other passengers were South Korean except for seven Arabs, he said, and four of those, possibly Libyans, were believed to have been killed.

plosion.

"We don't know if the pilot made an error or if the tower made an er-ror," Chun said. "The captain is conscious. He thinks he did not do anything wrong.'

The plane cartwheeled for about JANA, said the plane slammed into 400 yards before breaking into pieces, another South Korean diplo-near the airport, which is set amid mat in Tripoli, Chang Kyung-soo, told Korean TV.

The official Libyan news agency, capital of Tripoli.

near the airport, which is set amid groves of olive and lemon trees about 35 miles south of the coastal

Federal regulators reject The plane approached the airport in heavy fog, and Chun said there was no mechanical problem or ex-plosion.

DALLAS (AP) — An airline pas-sengers association on Thursday called for the grounding of all Mc-Depnedl Depuedre DC 10 actions in Donnell Douglas DC-10 jetliners in the U.S. until any structural defi- not ruled out court action to get the ciencies are fixed, but federal regulators and the aircraft maker rejected the call.

Smith said the organization has

Meanwhile, eyewitnesses say fireghters sent to battle the blaze were delayed by a locked gate.

The San Antonio Express-News reported Thursday that eyewitnesses, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said Air Force firefighters in six fire trucks had to wait up to 10 minutes until someone unlocked the gate.

No fire truck was standing by as the bomber was fueled, and con-

Kelly spokesman Phebe Brown said she had no comment on unofficial statements about the response time of base firefighters.

We have no idea what caused the accident," Brown said. "There is a thorough investigation under way."

Details and any comments on possible causes of the accident will not be released until the investigation is complete, which could take 30 days, Brown said.

Flight 803, which originated in Seoul, were South Koreans returning from vacation to their jobs on engineering and construction projects in Libya.

There were about 78 dead from the plane, according to the first sec-retary of the South Korean Embassy in Tripoli. The diplomat, who identified himself only as Mr. Chun, said Libyan officials reported that four people were killed when the plane's landing gear slammed into two houses

Survivor Kwon Hyuk-hwi told the Korean Broadcasting System he was reading a book in the first-class section when an announcement was made that the plane was about to land.

"Instantly there was a crushing impact and then came shrieks by horrified people. I kept my body as low as possible and lost consciousness," he said.

The International Airline Passengers Association wants the Federal FAA. Aviation Administration to order the planes out of use in the wake of the July 19 crash of a United Airlines DC-10 in Sioux City, Iowa, that killed 111, said spokesman Daniel Smith.

said it is evident that the another wrecked, and 1.5 percent of the second dual hydraulic systems, necessary ing 747s have crashed, he said. for flight control, do not work and ing 747s have crashed, he said. FAA spokesman Jay Leyden said,

IAPA wants to "first, find out what's wrong with the aircraft; and See DC-10/Page 6

planes grounded, but in the letter said, "We believe it is far better for you to act independently, free of any imposed direction from outside the

Smith also claimed there are other design deficiencies in the planes, which entered commercial fleets in 1971

At least 17, or 3.8 percent, of the 445 DC-10s built have been wrecked because of their problems, Smith Citing the Sioux City crash, Smith said. By comparison, 1.2 percent of said it is evident that the aircraft's the Lockheed L-1011's have been

# Attorney general candidate Bryant faces accusations of diverting funds

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Attorney General candidate John Bryant was accused by one opponent of shepherding a weakened consumer bill for a constituent who later gave him \$50,000, and criticized by another for diverting federal campaign funds to his state race.

But spokesmen for Bryant dismissed what hey called the "tag-team attacks" as evidence that the Dallas congressman is the candidate to beat in the Democratic Party primary in March

"At the very least, they both acknowledge that John Bryant is the front runner," Carlton Carl, Bryant's press secretary, said.

State Rep. Dan Morales, D-San Antonio, said G. Ray Miller, director of a Dallas-based alternative operator telecommunications company, contributed \$50,000 to Bryant three days after Bryant watered down legislation aimed at regulating Miller's industry.

"I can think of nothing more harmful to the well-being of our party and our state than the perception that an elected official's vote is for sale to the highest bidder," Morales said.

Houston attorney John Odam said Bryant is violating the spirit of campaign finance laws by dumping funds he raised from federal political action committees into his attorney general cam-

Ödam said federal contributors gave Bryant nore than \$600,000 believing that he would use he funds to finance future congressional races. Bryant has offered to return federal PAC noney, but Odam said that was "a tacit admission that it is unethical to spend that money in the attorney general's race.

Odam sent a 10-point ethics code, which includes not accepting any out-of-state PAC funds, to Bryant and Morales, saying if his opponents refuse to abide by the code, "I will

will do my best to make sure all Texans find out who among the candidates in this race merely talk about ethics in government and who delivers."

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Morales sent a letter to Bryant saying he should return the \$50,000 contribution from Miller "and step forward to explain your actions.

Morales said Bryant limited the authority of federal regulators to restrict exorbitant surcharges for calls routed through private switchboards.

Morales said these charges are the main source of revenue for International Telecharge Inc., which Miller directs.

But Bryant's spokesman, Carl, said the bill was not supported by the alternative operator service industry.

"The bill says if these alternative operator service companies don't thoroughly clean up their act and comply with the law they will be put out of business.

"It's certainly not the kind of thing those companies would be entirely happy with," Carl said. Carl said Miller made the contribution because he and Bryant have been friends for years

John Pouland, campaign coordinator for Bryant, said Bryant has offered and returned some federal PAC funds.

"We probably have returned several thou-sand dollars," he said.

Odam's declaration of not taking out-of-state campaign contributions was an empty gesture, he said.

"He's not going to take out-of-state PAC funds because no one is going to give him any," Pouland said. "It's easy to give up something you don't have.'

But Odam said he already has received some out-of-state PAC contributions, and plans to return them.

### **Computer system aids** parking permit mailouts

#### **By Cindy McMillian**

#### STAFF WRITER

A&M students will have one less line to wait in this August thanks to a new computerized method of distributing parking permits.

More than 21,000 parking permits and bus passes were mailed two weeks ago to students who requested them during telephone preregistration. Tom Williams, director of A&M's Department of Parking, Transit and Traffic, said the old process required students to register for permits in person and often involved a long wait in line at the beginning of the semester.

Williams said the new permits were mailed along with the fee slips and registration materials sent out by the fiscal department this month. Williams' department used a computerized bar-code reader to get information from the registration materials and assign hang-tag permits to students.

The hang-tag permits, which slip on rear-view mirrors, will replace window stickers for all automobile permits.

Williams said the tags should be more convenient for students since they move easily from car to car. The system also eliminates the need for registration of vehicles with the department.

The mail distribution system and hang-tag permits were tried on a trial basis last year with a small sample of students, Williams said, and both were well-received.

He said another new service offered this fall will be a shuttle sys-tem called Dial-a-Ride. From 6 p.m. to 2 a.m., students may call 847-RIDE from any location on campus and have a bus come and take them to the parking lot.

Williams said students may call from campus buildings or from any of the recently installed emergency phones. One bus will be available for the service initially, he said, but more may be added if necessary.