


**FORECAST**



Cloudy with a 60 percent chance of thunderstorms and a high in the 70s

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George Bush and Bill Clinton deserve their parties' nominations

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## Candidates mobilize for Super Tuesday

Senator Harkin to end bid for Democratic nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush and Democrat Bill Clinton headed toward delegate-rich "Super Tuesday" races claiming big boosts from weekend victories. The Democratic field was expected to narrow by one as Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin decided to call it quits.



Sen. Tom Harkin

Harkin scheduled news conferences for today in Washington and Des Moines after a series of disappointing finishes, including a 6 percent showing in South Carolina on Saturday.

Two Iowa Democratic Party officials said Harkin would announce his withdrawal from the race today.

Nevada Democrats, meanwhile, held party caucuses Sunday to begin the delegate selection process.

Republican challenger Patrick Buchanan remained winless but vowed to take his insurgent candidacy all the way to the GOP convention in Houston in August.

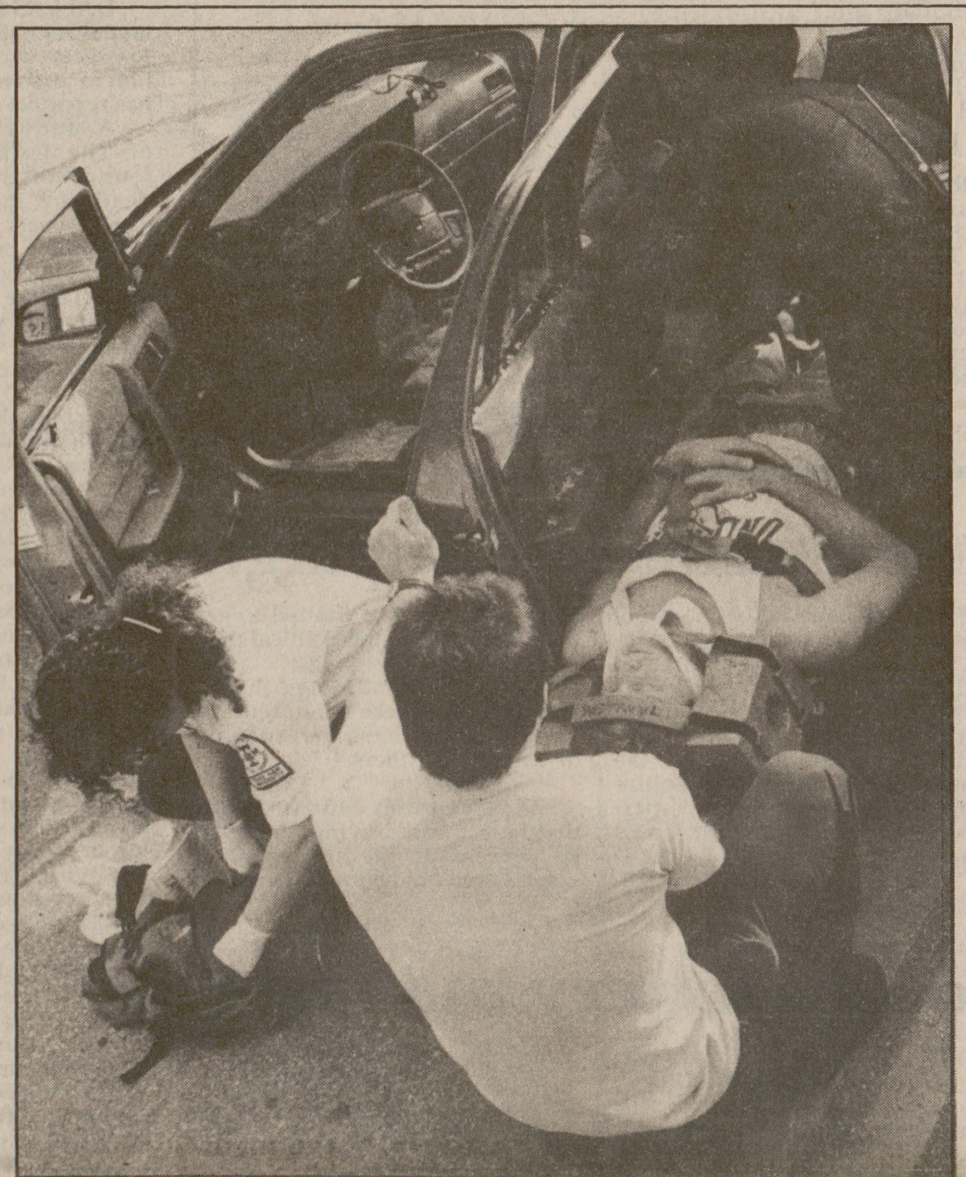
"This campaign . . . is about more than piling up delegates," Buchanan said in a TV interview.

However, Buchanan strategists are now looking beyond Super Tuesday - where they are not optimistic of scoring wins - to the March 17 showdown in Michigan as a make-or-break state for the conservative TV commentator.

Bush's 67 percent win over two conservative GOP challengers and Clinton's 63 percent dominance of the Democratic field in South Carolina's primary on Saturday are likely to spill over into this week's Super Tuesday.

There are 11 Democratic races and eight Republican ones on Tuesday, most of them in the South.

"We've got a good victory out of South Carolina and Wyoming and Arizona. But I need Texas on Tuesday," Clinton said while barnstorming across Texas.



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## Two injured in auto accident

John Harrison of New York is removed from a car by the Texas A&M Emergency Medical Services after the car he was riding in collided with a truck at the intersection of Wellborn and Joe Routt Saturday. Two of the five passengers were treated for minor injuries at Humana Hospital.

## Instructors voice anger at monitors

'Thought police' use illegal means to evaluate alleged political bias

By Gina Howard

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Texas A&M liberal arts instructors expressed their displeasure Friday over a classroom monitoring program set up by a conservative student group, calling the concept a case of thought-policing and censorship.

David McWhirter, an assistant professor of English, said he is not sure one group is qualified to decide what political bias actually is.

"I think they understand very little about teaching and about what a university ought to be," McWhirter said. "They pretend to be speaking from an unbiased position and see truth as their own bias. In a way, they are thought police."

The monitoring carried out by the A&M chapter of Young Conservatives of Texas involves placing members in classrooms to scrutinize instructors suspected of teaching in a politically biased manner.

At least two monitors sit in unannounced on each targeted class for three days. The group

plans to publish their results for student use in the fall.

The observation methods the group uses are not allowed under University Rules and Regulations, said Dr. William Perry, dean of faculties and associate provost.

"If a person is going to visit a class, then they should secure permission," Perry said. "That is the rule of the University and we are bound by these rules. My point of view is (if someone attends) without permission, a professor is free to ask any person to leave."

Randy Keetch, Chairman of YCT, said his group wants to let students know which professors "teach with academic honesty and which largely preach ideology - especially when their grades might lie in the balance."

Dr. Larry Hill, head of the history department, said professors try to be objective, whatever their ideology.

"Why should I trust their (Young Conservatives of Texas) judgment on what political bias is when they are going on only one perspective," Hill said. "We all

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## 'Capturing the Spirit' fund-raiser kicks off with \$185 million

By Karen Praslicka

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Texas A&M has already raised \$185 million of the \$500 million University officials and volunteers hope to raise with the "Capturing the Spirit" campaign - and the fund-raising has just begun.

The multi-year campaign is Texas A&M's first volunteer-led fund-raising campaign, and the largest effort undertaken by any public university. It is intended to reach the goal by August 31, 1996.

At a formal gala Friday night to publicly kick off the campaign, University president William Mobley announced a \$52 million gift commitment from former student Dwight Look of Sinajana, Guam. University officials and campaign leaders say the pledge is the largest gift to any public university and the fourth-largest to any institution of higher education.

"We can indeed be proud of capturing the spirit of that Aggie," Mobley said.

Look wrote in a letter to Mobley that he intends to give A&M 1000 acres of real estate on the Island of Guam. Details are

not finalized, but Look wrote that he believes the gift should benefit A&M with a minimum of \$52 million.

The property will be deeded to the Development Foundation over the next several years, and is adjacent to the largest real estate development currently under way in the Pacific region.

Look's gift will establish endowments for the College of Engineering and Sterling C. Evans Library, and for other high-priority University projects.

Mobley said the campaign is the largest undertaking of any public univer-

sity in the nation, and the program will challenge everyone involved. He said A&M is on the verge of being widely recognized as one of the top ten universities in the nation.

"In a number of respects we're already there, but in some we're not," he said. "The challenge is to offer support, provide the facilities and offer a margin of excellence you can't get from state support."

"Aggies obviously have always been fond of challenges," he continued. "We want to be number one."

Frederick D. McClure, a former A&M

student body president, spoke to the crowd during dinner at Duncan Dining Hall about why it is important to give to the campaign.

McClure, also a former Assistant to President Bush for Legislative Affairs, said the reason the guests were there was plain and simple - "to convince you either to sign on the dotted line or commit yourselves further to the cause."

He said believers in A&M must capture the spirit and make it work for them.

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## Menachem Begin dies; leaves legacy of peace

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) - Former Prime Minister Menachem Begin, the pugnacious Israeli leader who made peace with Egypt but led his nation into war in Lebanon, died yesterday. He was 78.

Begin died in Tel Aviv Ichilov Hospital, where he was on a respirator in the intensive care unit following a heart attack on Tuesday. Doctors installed a pacemaker Thursday but his condition took a turn for the worse Friday.

The hospital's director, Dan Michaeli, said Begin died at 3:30 a.m. (7:30 p.m. CST Sunday). Begin's two daughters and son were at his bedside, Israel radio said.

The government announced the news in a statement on Israel Radio 11/2 hours later, and said it would hold a special session to decide funeral arrangements.

Begin was a giant of the Jewish state. A Polish Jew whose parents were killed by the Nazis, he came to political power labeled by many as a terrorist for his part in the underground that helped found the

state of Israel. Begin shared the Nobel Peace Prize with Egypt's President Anwar Sadat for leading his country to its first, and so far only, peace treaty with an Arab country.

For that 1979 treaty, he sacrificed the Sinai Desert, one of the most precious prizes of the 1967 Mideast War. But he clung tenaciously to other territories captured by Israel, annexing the Golan Heights of Syria and filling the West Bank with Jewish settlements.

He took an aggressive posture toward Israel's enemies, bombing Iraq's nuclear reactor to rubble in 1981. The following year, he sent the army into Lebanon to wipe out the PLO in what became Israel's most unpopular war.

Then, after six tumultuous years, he resigned without explanation and spent his remaining years in virtual seclusion.

His 1983 resignation, some theorized, was driven by guilt over being abroad on state business when his wife died.

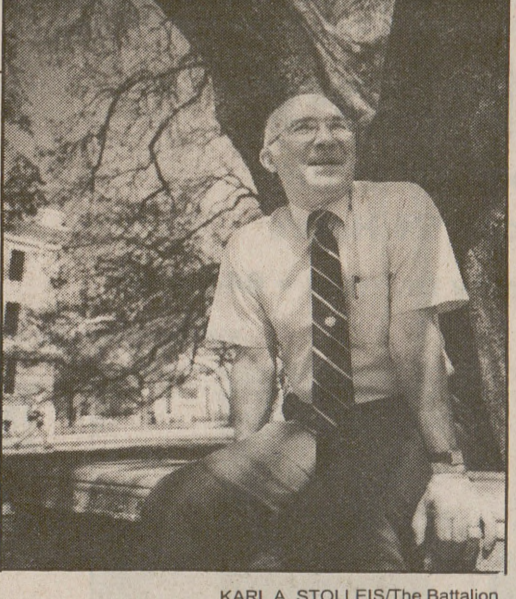
## THUMBS UP FOR SPRING BREAK

Koldus reflects on hitchhiking home during brief spring vacation of 1950

Editor's note: This is the first of a four-part series on Texas A&M administrators reflecting on their past and present spring break experiences.

By Bridget Harrow

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Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services at Texas A&M

Spring break of yesteryear. No beaches, no babes, no beer. Just two young college men heading home. No planes, no trains, no transportation at all. Thumbs up, luggage light, the two freshman friends decide to hitchhike.

The year was 1950. And one of the young men was John Koldus, now Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services at Texas A&M University. The other young man was Koldus' college buddy, Rudy Wagner. Koldus says now as he thinks back, it was the most exciting and unusual spring break he ever had.

"Spring break was not a week long like it is now," he says. "It was shorter and it tied

### SPRING BREAK MEMORIES

- Dr. John Koldus, V.P. for student services - Monday
- Tony Barone, basketball coach - Tuesday
- Dr. William Mobley, A&M president - Wednesday
- R.C. Slocum, head football coach - Thursday

in with Easter. You had Good Friday, Easter weekend and the following Monday off from school. So you did not have as much time to do as many things."

Since he went to school at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Ark., and his home was 570 miles north, in Gary, Ind., Koldus didn't go home for spring break after his freshman year. The reason he went home that one time was because his parents were giving him a 1937 Chevy. It was the first time

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