By Ursula Simms The Battalion

Since 1967, Texas A&M University has been researching the growth and adaptation of hybridized plants in the Floral Testing Gardens located near the Clayton William's Alumni Center.

Ed Hill, foreman for Landscape Maintenance East, said that it "started out as a test garden for testing new and different types of

The Floral Testing Gardens, the only test garden in Texas, was established by Texas A&M President Earl Rudder.

The garden which now has over 200 different varieties is a

display garden as well as a test garden, said Tom Dew, assistant director of grounds maintenance. "We're doing this for the All-

American Selections Association. It is a non-profit organization and they conduct trials all over America and Canada," said Dew. Hybridized plants that are test-

ed in the testing gardens are submitted to the AAS from the United States, Great Britain and Japan.

Plants are tested and judged on their ability to resist disease and insects, their overall flowering ability, and their uniqueness.

Hybrids that score high in

these areas are given an AAS stamp, designated by a red, white and blue emblem, which indicates a high-quality hybrid plant.

University flowers Groups sue Racing Commission Citiz over dog racing license dispute resp

AUSTIN (AP) — Two groups that failed to win a coveted pari-mutuel license for a dog racing track in Galveston County accused the Texas Racing Commission in court Monday of

breaking the law. Meanwhile, the winners described their op-

ponents as "extremely poor losers."

State District Court Judge Scott McCown

said he will probably decide the case Friday.

"If the plaintiffs are right, most of the Racing Commission should be in the penitentiary.

If the Racing Commission is right they ought to be given medals by the governor," McCown

The dispute is over the license granted in 1990 by the Racing Commission to Gulf Greyhound Partners Inc. to build a track in La MarThe facility is expected to be one of the most lucrative dog tracks in the nation. It is from a closed-door meeting and decided about 70 percent complete. Lone Star Greyhound Park Inc. and Galveston Bay Greyhound Racing Association are challenging the Racing Commission's selection of Gulf Greyhound, a group led by Paul Bryant Jr., the son of late football coach Paul "Bear" Bryant.

The two losing groups allege that the commission violated numerous laws in the process of awarding the license.

In numerous instances, those standards were violated, the parties were not accorded fairness," said Lone Star's attorney Tim Herman of Austin.

Lone Star's major complaint is that the Racing Commission voted to award it a license in November 1989, and then six months later,

from a closed-door meeting and decided to open the contest for a license

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Under questioning from Herman, Rai Commission general counsel Paula Carter a taped recording of that closed session never be found. She said she threw aw tape marked with the date of the hearing that the tape was blank. When asked whethrew out the tape, she said it was to confusion.

Herman also alleged former Racing mission member Hilary Doran had imp communications with representatives competing track groups.

The entire character of the these pro ings was fraught with denial of due pro

Green cards receive different look

and Naturalization Service is issuing resident aliens a new style of "green card" that officials say will be harder to counterfeit and easier to identify.

The cards, which are not actually green but salmon-colored, will undergo their 18th incarnation starting next month. Immigrants who acquired alien cards before or during June 1979 are asked to get the new ones.

The new cards are part of an INS effort to reduce the number of fraudulent claims by undocumented workers and to provide better identification of resident aliens, said Ray Dudley, an immigration service spokesman in San Antonio.

Aliens working, living or attending school in the United States who use the cards risk border-crossing delays if their old cards are not replaced by

Aug. 1, 1993, authorities said.

"We're trying to rid ourselves of the old cards because they are so susceptible to being counterfeit-

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - The U.S Immigration ed," Dudley said. "Many people who enter the country illegally now come with counterfeit green cards, knowing they must have something to show employers.

Others have used counterfeit cards to defraud government agencies in applying for Aid for Families with Dependent Children, food stamps, subsidized housing, medical treatment and other social services, Dudley said.

Earlier versions of the alien cards lacked the person's photograph, fingerprints or signature, Dudley said. The new card will incorporate all three.

Card holders who have been permanent residents for more than five years can apply for U.S. citizenship rather than replace their cards. Resident aliens older than 55 who have lived in the United States more than 20 years also can apply for citizen-

The new cards will cost \$70, plus the price of two color photos.

Workers prepare Astrodome actions of and prote for Republican convention

HOUSTON (AP) — What does blue banners spangled with eletake to transform the Asphants and stars. drop. Two 15-by-20-foot television to the control of the co it take to transform the Astrodome from a sports arena into the Republican Party's convention hall? For starters, an acre of plywood, nearly five miles of 2-by-4s, 100,000 square feet of carpet and 150,000 bolts and screws to hold it all together.

The Houston Astros left their home Sunday on a 28-day road trip that will cover 9,186 miles in eight National League cities, and the GOP immediately got busy preparing for the Aug. 17-20 con-

Workers on Sunday pulled up the Astroturf, rearranged the Astrodome's seats and began dropping cables from 200-foot-high

On Monday, crews primarily toiled on a lighting grid that ultimately will suspend 2,000 lights 64 feet above the Dome floor. They also lowered an overhead gondola inside the stadium and continued working on the sound

Outside the giant stadium, laborers hung long red, white and

Convention spokesman Joe Fleming said work was proceed-

ing a bit ahead of schedule.
"We're confident everything will be complete in time," he said Monday. "No worries whatsoever, but we will be working around the clock, 24 hours a day between now and the convention.

Convention planners had sought six weeks to dress the Dome, but compromised with baseball officials on three weeks, Fleming said — the shortest time the Republicans ever have had for such an undertaking.

"Rather quickly, it'll begin to take shape and be recognizable as a convention floor," he said.

A thousand workers will perform the metamorphosis using, in part: 4.7 miles of 2-by-4s; 45,000 square feet of plywood; 100,000 square feet of carpet; 150,000 nuts, bolts and screws; 576 speakers; and 8,000 telephones.

When the makeover is finished, the Dome will feature a massive podium flanked by rows of press stands and a 50-foot arch back-

Workers have been assem the podium in a warehou west Houston and will trans to the Astrodome in sect probably Tuesday, Fleming They also will begin work or ging and power generators for 7,000-pound curtain measurements from 100 feet high by 570 feet will be hung behind the podium.

Harris County, which owns Astrodome, has been conducted.

Astrodome, has been conditests on the roof to make s can handle the 100 tons of ment to be hung from the raft

Near week's end, construor four network anchor boot timated to cost some \$50 each, will begin.

Fleming said GOP staffer excited that work on the con tion, which has been going more than a year, finally is shape at the Dome.

"You work for so long to something together that wh finally happens, there's ag feeling of satisfaction," he said

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AIDS drug AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Board of Health has authorized **Business Hours** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

immediate distribution of a new AIDS drug by a program that serves uninsured people with the disease, or the virus that causes it, who meet income guidelines.
The drug, zalcitabine, is ap-

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proved for use only in combination with another drug known as AZT, to treat certain adult patients who are showing signs of deteriorating on AZT alone. Zalcitabine also is known by its

chemical name dideoxycytidine, or ddC. It was the first drug authorized by the federal Food and Drug Administration under a system to make new drugs available more quickly to people with lifethreatening illnesses

The drug received accelerated FDA approval in June. Texas' board Saturday authorized the state Health Department's HIV Medication Program to begin dis-

The program provides drugs to people with acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or the human immunodeficiency virus, who are not insured and whose incomes do not exceed 200 percent of federal poverty guidelines. For a single person, that is \$13,620 per Some 4,300 people are enrolled in the program. The department expects one-fourth of them will get the new drug.

The Health Department estimates the cost of supplying the drug in Texas could be as much as \$1.9 million annually.

Tuesday, July 28

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: General discussion from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. For meeting location or for more information call the Center for Drug Prevention at 845-0280.

PRO-CHOICE AGGIES: Planning meeting for Houston Republican Convention Protest at 8 p.m.

Field next to the Polo Fields from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. All are welcome. No experience needed. For more information call Fave at 846-8194 or Danielle at 846-2746.

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