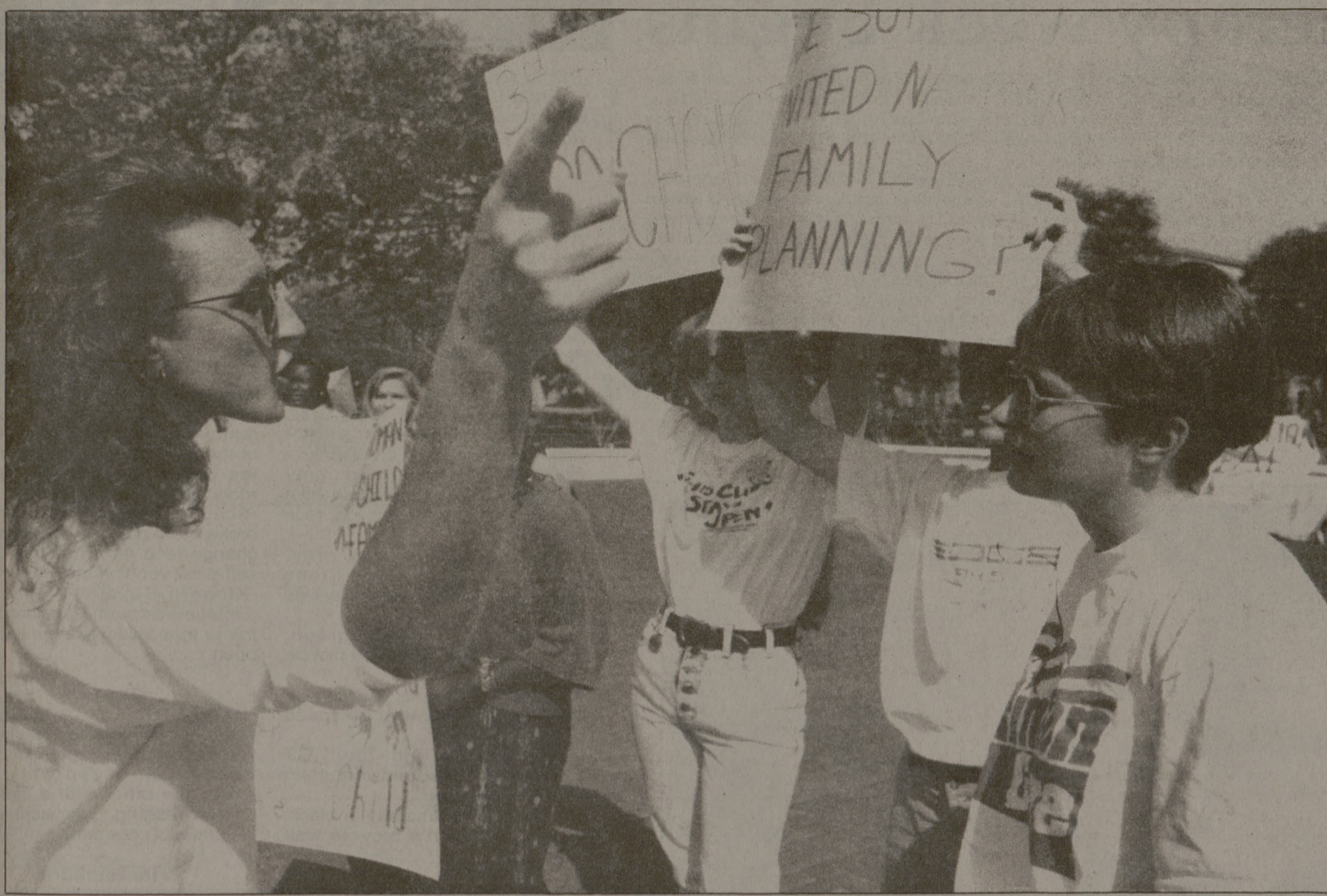


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Lou-Ann Guidry argues with Amy Owen of Pro-Choice Aggies staged the protest before the game to reach the crowds going to Saturday afternoon by Rudder Fountain. Pro-Choice Aggies the game.

U.S. suspends African relief

Bullet hits plane during Somalia airlift

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOGADISHU, Somalia — An American plane delivering food to the starving in the central town of Baidoa was struck by a bullet Sunday, and the United States suspended its airlift.

It was the second time a U.S. plane was hit by gunfire since the Americans began their emergency airlift of food Aug. 21. Another C-130 was hit by a stray bullet Sept. 18 in the town of Belet Huen.

Army Lt. Col. Robert Donnelly, the spokesman for the American operation said workers did not know who had fired on the cargo plane.

Relief agencies are caring for an estimated 80,000 people in Baidoa, which is among the towns hardest hit by Somalia's famine. However, relief officials say the situation has improved with increased deliveries of food, and the daily death toll has dropped from a high of about 350 to 70.

Clan warfare and banditry have periodically forced the suspension of international food airlifts, underscoring the difficulties relief workers face. As much as half the nearly 200,000 tons of relief supplies delivered to Somalia this year has been looted.

Donnelly said the military C-130 Hercules was shot as it approached Baidoa's airstrip Sunday morning.

"One bullet hit the aircraft," said Donnelly, 43, of Suffern, N.Y. "We don't know how many shots were fired or where the bullet was fired from."

He said the bullet hit the right external fuel tank and it was only discovered when a crew member looked out a window and saw fuel leaking. No one was hurt, and the plane returned to Mombasa.

Donnelly said there was no apparent increase in tensions in Baidoa, which has been a center of relief work since international efforts stepped up three months ago.

"But one thing that characterizes all of the places we fly into is volatility," he said. "One minute it can be calm, and 15 minutes later there can be a firefight."

Since starting their airlift, the United States has delivered close to 11,000 tons of food. Fourteen C-130s and about 600 military personnel are stationed in Mombasa to run the relief operation.

In addition to the United States, other nations running airlifts to the hungry are Canada, Germany, France and Belgium.

Muslims kill five Israeli soldiers

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RASHAYA, Lebanon — Muslim guerrillas set off a roadside bomb on Sunday, killing five Israeli soldiers in one of the deadliest attacks in the Israeli-occupied enclave in southern Lebanon, security sources said.

Seven soldiers were wounded in the blast in the village of Ahmadiyah on the northern edge of Israel's self-designated security zone, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The attack came as the seventh round of Middle East peace talks was under way in

Washington.

There was no immediate confirmation of the report from Israel, which often withholds news of attacks on its soldiers in Lebanon until their families have been notified.

Israel normally reacts by sending warplanes on bombing missions against guerrilla hide-outs in south and east Lebanon.

Israeli warplanes have struck Lebanon at least 29 times this year. Most of the air raids were in retaliation for guerrilla actions in the south, although some were pre-emptive strikes.

The Islamic Resistance, the military wing of

the pro-Iranian Hezbollah, claimed responsibility for the attack on the Israeli soldiers in a statement broadcast by its radio station, Voice of Islam.

The report said a "large number" of Israeli soldiers were killed or wounded, but gave no figures. It did not say if any of the attackers had been captured or hurt.

A spokesman for Hezbollah in Beirut said at least 15 Israeli soldiers were killed or wounded and two military vehicles destroyed. The spokesman, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he did not know if the attackers had escaped arrest.

In Advance

With Halloween less than a week away, Kappa Alpha Fraternity and Off-Campus Aggies, are each preparing to scare Bryan-College Residents and raise money for local charities.

The Kappa Alpha Fraternity, sponsored by Furrow Building Materials, is holding its annual haunted house Oct. 29-31 from 7 p.m. to midnight to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Kappa Alpha philanthropy chairman Dirk Eller said the fraternity has raised more than \$8,000 in the last two years.

Eller said he hopes the event's new location, at 809 University Drive in the Creekside Shopping Center between the Hilton and the Inn at Chimney Hill, will increase the amount of money raised, and said this year's event could raise as much as \$10,000.

The Off-Campus Aggies are

also planning a haunted house, at 300 Church St. behind Dudley's Draw, with the proceeds benefiting the Brazos Food Bank.

The OCA haunted house is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 30 and 31, from 6 p.m. to midnight and OCA member Karen Dudek said the event could raise up to \$3,000.

Ticket prices for the OCA haunted house are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. However, those donating two canned goods will have their tickets discounted by \$1.

Advance ticket prices for the Kappa Alpha Haunted House are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. Tickets are available in the Memorial Student Center between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. until Oct. 28, or from any member of KA. Tickets at the event are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children.

Demonstrations turn violent in German city

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BONN, Germany — A demonstration against neo-Nazism by about 250 foreign students and their supporters turned violent early Sunday in the fifth night of unrest in the city of Greifswald.

Police said the protest was peaceful until right-wing "provocateurs" infiltrated the group and attacked police and a youth club believed to be a hangout for rightist extremists.

Greifswald has been the scene of nightly violence ever since a Moroccan student was injured in an attack by skinheads, the term used for right-wing extremists who shave their heads.

About 300 Germans gathered in the rain on Sunday to protest destruction the day before at a cemetery in southwest Germany for victims of the former Dachau

concentration camp near Munich. Many carried signs demanding, "Death to Fascism." Graves had been damaged and smeared with Nazi swastikas.

On Friday night, German media reported for the first time that the former women's concentration camp at Ravensbrueck had been firebombed earlier.

Much right-wing violence is blamed on a backlash to the cost of caring for hundreds of thousands of asylum-seekers while their applications are reviewed, a process that can take years. The government says up to 500,000 refugees will have sought asylum by year's end.

The Social Democrats are morally opposed to asylum limits because of Germany's Nazi past, but many, including their national leader, have said a constitutional change is needed.

CORPS OF CADETS RECALL TOUGH TIMES

Sexual harassment controversy still lingers

This article is the first of a four part series about the Corps of Cadets — one year after accusations of sexual harassment within the organization. The series will focus on what changes, problems and challenges the Corps has encountered, and the future of the organization at Texas A&M.

By JULIE CHELKOWSKI and TODD STONE
Reporters of THE BATTALION

It was just another day for members of the Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets last fall as accusations of sexual harassment triggered national media scrutiny and rumors of disbandment.

When a female cadet accused members of Parsons Mounted Cavalry of physical assault September 17, 1991, the Corps was flooded with a wave of negative publicity, controversy and confusion.

"You kind of felt like everyone was watching you," said a senior male cadet who requested anonymity. He will be called Jack throughout the ar-

ticle.

"I remember everyone telling us almost daily, 'Watch what you say, watch what you do,'" Jack said. "They (Corps authorities) were so worried about getting more bad press.

"It was paranoia."

Ten days after the initial assault charge, four female cadets reported widespread sexual harassment and discrimination within the Corps, including physical and verbal abuse and rape.

In response, University President Dr. William Mobley formed a fact-finding panel to investigate the allegations. The panel's final report was completed on April 30, 1992.

From the time the allegations were made until the fact-finding panel produced its final report, many cadets said they were confused and uninformed about what was happening to the Corps.

"We weren't ever briefed on the situation," said



A Chronological Retrospective

• September 17, 1991 — Female cadet claimed she was attacked by members of the Parsons Mounted Cavalry.

• September 25 — Maj. Gen. Thomas Darling disbanded the cavalry unit to reorganize and investigate charges.

• September 27 — Press reported 11 allegations made by four anonymous female cadets of widespread sexual harassment and discrimination within the Corps. The charges included verbal and physical abuse and sexual assault.

• October 4 — Texas A&M University President Dr. William Mobley formed a fact-finding committee to investigate allegations of harassment and discrimination in the Corps. The committee's final report was released April 30, 1992.

• October 13 — The female cadet, who accused members of the Parsons Cavalry of assault, claimed she was kidnapped and beaten by male cadets.

• October 22 — The female cadet retracted both charges of being physically assaulted, but said she was verbally harassed. Bob Wiatt, director of University Police, chose not to charge the cadet for filing a false report.

• Three members of the Parsons Mounted Cavalry (two sophomores and a junior) were dismissed from the Corps. Three others (two juniors and a sophomore) were placed on deferred suspension or conduct probation.

• All 20 sophomore members