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MARDI GRAS
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The annual celebration precedes the Lent season which begins next Wednesday.
Public schools in New Orleans get vacation days during Mardi Gras.
Tim Slaughter, a senior industrial distribution major, went to high school in New Orleans and had a week off school during the celebration.
"I have been to Mardi Gras for eight years," Slaughter said. "I have had the pleasure to escort several large groups down as the same thing happens. Young ladies who said 'I'd never' and young men who said 'I don't believe you'

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"Hopefully it'll galvanize change and convince the powers we are serious," he said. "If some people can't accept this in a professional manner it could hurt relations, but this is how the senate does business."
The senate formed a subcommittee on parking issues to get students' opinions across to PTTS. The subcommittee will meet with PTTS officials next week.
The senate also passed a resolution to prevent future conflicts with Ring Dance.
The Athletic Department scheduled a concert at Kyle Field to be held the same night as Ring Dance.
Chris Chase, a senator and senior history major, said the resolution is to

Grad student found guilty in sexual assault case, could face more charges
By Amanda Smith
Staff writer
A Texas A&M graduate student was indicted Wednesday by Limestone County on one count of sexual assault.
Obed Matus, a mathematics graduate student, was arrested on Jan. 26 by the Limestone County Sheriff's Department and released

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are at first startled and then settle into the rhythm."
Josh Hennessey, a junior accounting major, grew up in New Orleans and has attended Mardi Gras every year since he was two.
"There is so much culture behind Mardi Gras," Hennessey said. "Mardi Gras is a time where everyone can have fun and push the edges of their typical lifestyles."
Hennessey said many of his friends will stay at his house this weekend for the celebration.
"The best thing is to watch people from A&M come to Mardi Gras because it is such a new experience for them," Hennessey said. "I've been so many times, but the best time I have had at Mardi Gras was seeing how Aggies react to it."

ensure conflicts with time-honored traditions do not happen again.
In other business, the student senate:
•Passed a resolution that approves the Student Services Fee Allocation Board's proposal for a fee increase, but discourages additional fee increases.
•Passed a bill to prohibit professors from giving blanket grades for mid-term grade standings because it is not an accurate representation of academic standing.
•Passed a resolution that requests that A&M become a member of the National Student Exchange.
•Overrode the student body president's veto of a bill that would randomize candidates names on election ballots.
•Passed a bill to recycle *The Battalion* newspapers left in classrooms and trash bins.

on \$25,000 bond the next day for charges of sexual assault of a 15-year-old girl in the county.
Capt. Dennis Wilson of the Limestone County Sheriff's Department said Matus could face additional charges.
Wilson said Matus will appear before the county judge to enter a plea of guilty or not guilty. A trial date will then be set for Matus.

Two charged with part in U.S. terrorism plot

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Two men have been arrested in Nevada and accused of plotting an attack, possibly on a U.S. city's subway system, the FBI said Thursday.
The suspects include a central Ohio man who was given probation after pleading guilty to illegally obtaining bubonic plague bacteria through the mail.
The two were taken into custody late Wednesday in a luxury car outside a doctor's office in Henderson, Nev., a Las Vegas suburb.

The Clark County Detention Center in Las Vegas said 46-year-old Larry Wayne Harris and 47-year-old William Leavitt were in custody on charges of possessing "weapons for mass destruction."
Last year, Harris, of Lancaster, Ohio, pleaded guilty to a count of fraud after he was accused of illegally obtaining bubonic plague bacteria through the mail from a laboratory in 1995. He said he never intended to hurt anyone and was sentenced to 18 months' probation.

FBI spokesperson Aurelio Flores would not confirm the suspects names.
"These individuals were involved in the construction of a weapon," he said. "We have no idea where they were going to use it."
Flores said the FBI has secured the area where the car was found and had "made everything safe." He said the agency was not looking for explosives.
In New York, another FBI source had said earlier that the suspects




were members of the Army, a white supremacist group allegedly planned to release a dangerous bacterial substance in city's subways. But Mayor Giuliani said that his city was the target, and Flores said a number of cities may have been discussed.
In Tokyo in 1995, 12 people killed when a doomsday cult nerve gas in the subway system.
"These individuals were not be maybe copycats of what happened in Japan," Flores said. "They have taken different paths. We have a exclusive to indicate they were about a city. It was talk."
In Las Vegas, a federal enforcement source agents were investigating the men arrested in Las Vegas. The source stressed that

tests were not complete and there have been unfounded instances in the past involving allegations of anthrax.
Anthrax is an infectious disease usually afflicts only animals, especially cattle and sheep. But anthrax can be produced in a dry form for weapons and can be found in humans even in microscopic amounts.
Bubonic plague can be fatal is treatable with antibiotics.
The luxury car was taken to the Air Force Base. In statement officials said explosive ordnance disposal personnel "were assisting FBI agents last night in Green Valley-Henderson area. Personnel impounded a car on their behalf."

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