

Columbia takes off, but may return early

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL Associated Press Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Columbia's crew took the shuttle on a brilliant return to space yesterday and then learned a "dead" fuel cell might force an early end to their five-day mission. The astronauts were not in danger and NASA laid plans for a landing as early as tomorrow.

NASA officials were taking it one day at a time. Astronauts Joe Engle and Richard Truly were to cram Columbia's most important tasks into today's schedule in case a weekend return became necessary.

Less than seven hours after Columbia's breathtaking

10:10 a.m. EST launch, NASA spokesman John McLeaish said a fuel cell failure was forcing the space agency to invoke rules calling for the "mimimum flight" — 54 hours. The original flight plan called for 124 hours, 83 orbits. Columbia's fuel cells — there are three — produce the ship's electricity and drinking water. With two fuel cells working, flight director Neil Hutchinson said last night, "We could fly ad infinitum in the configuration we're in now." Still, plans called for no more than a "minimum mission" of 54 hours, 36 orbits.

"That does not mean we are going to come tomorrow or the next day or the next day," Hutchinson said. "It does put

us in a posture that if we do decide" to come down, we can do it.

If Columbia is called home early, it will be only the third time in 33 flights that a manned U.S. spacecraft has been summoned in mid-flight because of trouble.

Of Engle and Truly, Hutchinson said, "They're doing just fine and they're anxious . . . to get in as much as we can." He added that the shuttle "is designed and capable of sustaining a fuel cell failure and truck along as if it didn't have one."

It was possible the full mission could survive, but Hutchinson noted that about 70 percent of Columbia's flight Columbia's astronauts was scheduled to exercise the ship's mechanical arm — the main in-flight test for the mission. Hutchinson said the errant fuel cell "is literally dead . . . We literally ran it out of juice . . ; it cannot be restarted." Draining the cell was necessary for safety reasons once its

malfunction was discovered. A problem appeared early with cooling on two of Columbia's auxiliary power units — the hydraulic system whose failure last week caused an eight-day delay in Columbia's launch.

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\$6 million budget presented to council

No tax increase included in 1982 plans

By GENE GRYGO Daily Collegian Staff Writer Municipal Manager Carl B. Fairbanks presented to the State

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College Municipal Council yesterday a proposed \$6 million budget for 1982 that does not include any tax increases, but proposes increases for garbage collection and the sewer rental charge and predicts an increase in the parking rate.

The council also voted to hold a public hearing on the budget on Dec. 7 at its regular meeting and to act on the budget at a special meeting on Dec. 14.

Fairbanks presented the proposed \$6.2 million budget of all funds, an increase of 7.3 percent over the 1981 budget.

In his budget message, Fairbanks also proposed using the Community Development Block Grant entitlement funds to build street lights downtown and for improvements on the 18-unit Bellaire Court apartment building for senior citizens.

"I think they're (the street lights and Bellaire Court) pretty good ideas, but, of course, the Community Block Development Grant committee and the council can make any changes they want to," Fairbanks said.

The council may spend up to \$200,000 to install street lights downtown. The money will come from a separate Block Development Grant budget. The council will get final notice in December on the eligibity requirements for the money.

The cost of garbage collection in residential areas may increase from \$45 a year to \$72 a year, and commercial rates may increase from \$45 per cubic yard to \$60 per cubic yard. The apartment owners' \$30 per unit rate will not change. Fairbanks also said that the garbage collection rates have increased because the cost of garbage collection has increased, and recent court decisions require that revenues meet that cost. "If the collection of garbage

"If the collection of garbage increases in commercial areas, then

the rate must go up. If the cost increases in residential areas, we've got to raise that too," he said after the meeting.

Fairbanks said he did not know how much it would cost to improve Bellaire Court.

Fairbanks also proposed that amusement licenses for bowling allies and pool tables be raised from \$10 t0 \$20, and for pinball machines \$25 to \$50.

Also at yesterday's meeting, the council voted to hold a public hearing on a request by the owners of The Tavern Restaurant, 220 E. College Ave. and owners of other properties bordering McAllister Alley to vacate the alley. The hearing will concentrate on whether to vacate or lease the alley to the property owners. The council did not

set a date for the hearing. The property owners want to close the alley and build a pedestrian walkway. They recently suggested that gates be set up at either end of the walkway, but most of the council members said they had not heard this plan before.

"There are classes at night, and I wouldn't want students to have to walk around the block to get home," Council member Fred J. Honsberger said.

Honsberger also said a lease arrangement with the restaurant owners would be a better use of the property.

"When you're the landlord, you have more control," he said. Council member Joseph Wakeley said during the meeting that the council could close off the alley and and line the area with two walkways.

Council president Mary Ann Haas said she was considering Wakeley's proposal, but that she was undecided.

"As to whether it should be leased or vacated, I guess I'll have to weasel out of that one," Haas said. In other business, the council approved State College's share, \$372,541, of the 1982 Centre Regional Council of Governments budget.

Affiliation of stadium friskers unknown

By LINDSAY NAYTHONS and STELLA TSAI

Daily Collegian Staff Writers Students entering Beaver Stadium for the Alabama game tomorrow may get unexpected trouble from mysterious men in blue who may attempt to stop spectators from entering the stadium with alcoholic

beverages. Several members of the Undergraduate Student Government are currently trying to determine exactly which — if any — campus organization is behind the stop-and-frisk policy being carried out by

behind the stop-and-frisk policy being carried out by unknown "officials" stationed at the student and visitor entrances to the stadium. USG Vice President Ken Reeves said students have

complained to USG about men in blue jackets who stop and frisk them, confiscating their alcoholic beverages.

Darryl Daisey, USG senator, said he was coming in the student gate at a recent game when he was approached by a man in blue who patted him down

"real quick — I didn't even have time to object." But Thomas R. Harmon, manager of University Police Services, said he didn't know for a fact that these alleged pat-downs are occurring.

"I first heard about it a couple of weeks ago," Harmon said. "I resent any implications that our officers are involved."

All of the students who have been stopped-and-

frisked said the men with blue jackets wore no obvious identification. Harmon said "all our officers are in uniform with patches on their jackets. I have no reason to believe that they're doing anything unlawful."

"It was really bizarre," said Emil Parvensky (8thbusiness) in describing his experience with stop-andfrisk. "I wasn't expecting it. It's happened to me before at concerts, but never at Penn State."

USG Senator Leni Barch said many students under 21 years old don't bother to question the men in blue jackets about why they are being frisked because they fear the consequences of underage drinking.

Barch said she was standing at the entrance to a student section when she observed students being searched; their alcohol was seized and placed into a trash can.

Reeves said no arrests have been made by the men in blue who usually start their searches at the student and visitor gates a half hour to an hour after the gates open, when the ticketholders' traffic flow is heaviest.

The athletic department has its own beverage control personnel at the entrance gates who minimize the alcohol control responsibility for ushers at the entrances to the individual sections. Athletic department employees warn the students that they must either drink their alcoholic beverages outside the stadium or the ushers will confiscate them.

David E. Stormer, director of University safety,

said standard University policy is and has been to stop people and ask them only to open any bags or knapsacks they may be carrying. If the students and alumni — don't comply, they will be asked to leave the stadium. If they have any alcoholic beverages with them, the beverages will be taken.

Claim slips for the confiscated beverages are available, several USG sources said, but most people don't know this or don't bother with filling them out and then retrieving their liquor or beer after the game.

Reeves said most students "aren't really aware of their rights. We want to determine just exactly who is doing these pat-downs." And if any students are stopped-and-frisked tomorrow, he said, "They should notice who does it, ask for identification and contact USG about the incident; some students are afraid to object and question for fear of fine or arrest."

No one seems sure who is responsible for the patdown incidents. Reeves speculated that it could be ushers or police "lower in the ranks" and that "their superiors aren't aware of their actions" or it could be people, such as parents or local residents, "who have decided to take their own actions to stop what they perceive to be a detriment to society."

"Maybe it's a local chapter of the Moral Majority," Reeves said.

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weather

Mostly sunny today with highs near 48. Clear tonight, with lows near 25. Partly to mostly sunny at kickoff tomorrow with afternoon highs in the low 50s. Clear tomorrow night with lows near 30. Partly sunny on Sunday.

-by Mark Stunder

This is the last issue of The Daily Collegian for Fall Term. We will resume publication for Winter Term on Thursday, Dec. 3. (By the way, Happy Friday the 13th.)



A Penn State tradition

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Lisa Goodman (6th-business) takes a break while Dave Ackman (10th-English) prepares for finals.

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