In Brief

ECA HEAD SAYS CHINA AID WILL CONTINUE

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14 -(AP) Paul Hoffman, economic cooperation administration chief, said Monday China under a different govern-ment—if that government preservVolume 48

ed the freedom of the Chinese. Hoffman was asked at a news conference whether ECA aid to China would continue if the Chinese Communists or a coalition government should overthrow Chiang Kai-Shek and his kuomin-

tang governing party.

Hoffman said that rehabilitation projects already approved are continuing where possible in China, but that no long range projects can be added until the situation

He added that if the present government holds on until spring, he would recommend continuation of ECA in China for the second quarter of 1949. The present pro-gram is due to expire April 1, 1949.

TEXAS CITY SEA TRAFFIC IS HEAVY

BROWNSVILLE, Tex, Dec. 14— (P)—Despite the 1947 explosion that destroyed Texas City's dock area, that port averaged a million tons per month in bulk liquid car-

will carry three railroad tracks.

Duane Orr, district engineer for the Corpus Christi navigation district, said the Corpus Christi port will handle 22 million tons during

RRC BEGINS 25 NEW 'SHOW CAUSE' ACTIONS

The order was the same type which preceded recent commission directives closing in 15 fields for alleged wasteful flaring of gas produced incidentally with oil. Under commission procedure, op-

erators are first directed to show cause why they should not halt gas waste. If they do not, to the com-mission's satisfaction, shut in orders may follow.

The first batch close down orders resulted in filing of 19 suits against the commission enjoining

AIR FORCES DENY EMERGENCY STATE

FORT WORTH, Dec. 14 -(AP)-An Air Force official said today that the 8th Air Force, with headquarters here, will remain on a readiness alert during the Christmas holidays. However, he denied there was anything unusual in the Mexican Creamery

Col. John A. Roberts, Jr., acting chief of staff for the 8th, said "We've been an 'alert' outfit since we were reactivated after the war and the liberal Christmas leave not too much concerned.

He added that the instructions to personnel taking holiday leave were that they be available to return to their bases within 25 hours if needed "Is entirely customary."

NEGOTIATIONS RESUMED IN SW BELL WALKOUT

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14 -(P) Nein an effort to avert a strike by 50,000 union employes of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. There was no indication of an early agreement

Officials of the company and Southwestern Division 20, communications workers of America (Ind), met with a federal conciliator at

10:30 a. m. (CST). The bargaining talks had been parties submitted their proposals

recessed since Friday when both for a settlement. A company spokesman said that

under the union's proposal the company payroll would be increased \$17,000,000 annually, compared to about \$7,500,000 a year.

A strike by the union would paralyze telephone communications in Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, Okla-

A union official announced that CWA's executive board has approved strike action in the event the union bargaining committee considers it necessary. He described this as a formality.



WEATHER East Texas Cloudy and mild, scattered showers nesday. Cooler northwest portion Wednesday afternoon. Moderate to fresh southeast and south winds on the coast.

The Battalion

PUBLISHED IN THE INTEREST OF A GREATER A&M COLLEGE

COLLEGE STATION (Aggieland), TEXAS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1948

Ted Copeland, cadet colonel

of the Air Force Group, and Miss Pat Parker, Aggie sweet

Smith chairman of the Stu-dent Senate social committee,

Since no money is available to provide a floor show, Smith said

that each conference school will present about five minutes en-

tertainment as part of the pro-

Each conference school will have

a representative on the dance plan-ning committee which will meet

announced today.



Officers of the A&M Chapter of the National Foundryman's Society are shown from left to right: C. C. Spraggins, treasurer; Bobby D. Stone, vice president; J. A. Whitaere, president and V. C. Henkell,

tons per month in bulk liquid cargoes and sea train traffic. This was announced here today by W. H. Sandberg of Texas City at a meeting of the Texas ports association. Sandberg, president and general manager of the Texas City Terminal Railway Company, said litigation is slowing up rebuilding of Texas City's port. Vernon Bailey, port director at Houston, said the Harris County navigation district now has under construction a \$1,750,000 dock that will carry three railroad tracks. Texas Fruit Development

By CHARLEY PUCKETT

The A & M Horticulture Show has on exhibit a variety AUSTIN. Dec. 14 -(A) The of fruits and vegetables rangrailroad commission Monday or- ing from inedible citrus from dered oil operators in 25 additional fields to show cause Jan. 25 which our present-day grapewhy they should not cease flaring fruit and oranges developed 177 million cubic feet of natural to the most luscious of the present season's crop.

The show opened yesterday morning and closes this afternoon at 5. Exhibits from fruit growers from points all over Texas are fea-

With the advancement of horticultural science and fruit-growing as its chief purpose, the show is ar annual affair sponsored by the A& M Horticulture Club. The study of diseases is also stressed.

There are many varieties of cit rus on display including the orange grapefruit, and tangelo, which are important commercially and also some varieties which are only important as rootstocks. The tangelo is a hybrid between the grapefruit and the tangerine.

According to Dr. H. T. Black-**Prichard Manages**

Arthur Prichard, who received his masters' degree from A&M in 1941, has accepted the position of Americana in Mexico City.

Creameria Americana is the largest butter manufacturing plant

Prichard taught at Southwest Louisiana State College and Texas Tech, and has been employed by the Borden Company at Amarille,

Sociology Club Meets Tomorrow

The Sociology Club will meet tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA cabinet room, Bob Weynand, club

A Christmas program has been planned for the occasion, and all students majoring or minoring in rural sociology are invited to at tend the meeting, Weynand said.

COSTA RICA LOYALISTS WIN MINOR SKIRMISH

SAN JOSE, Cesta Rica, Dec. 14 to Southwestern Bell's offer of of a Rebel group and captured the wage boosts which would amount rest in a skirmish Monday near the Nicaragua frontier.

It was the first reported blood shed in the invasion which Costa Rica said was equipped, prepared and launched from Nicaragua last week with Communist help.

The Rebel band was sighted in the Tortuguero mountains near the Caribbean, the fiscal inspector in Guapiles told the military command here. He did not specify how many were captured:

Holidays Begin this afternoon, Saturday, Extend Through Jan. 2

President F. C. Bolton officially announced today that the Christmas holidays for students will start at noon Saturday, De-cember 18, and will end at 8 a. m. Monday, January 3.

search, the sour orange, which has been used extensively in the Rio Grande Valley as a rootstock, may eventually be replaced by the cleopatra mandarin which has proved to be resistant to some diseases to which the

Other features of the show include 51 varieties of apples, an assortment of fresh and canned vegetables, several varieties of pecans, Arizona dates, and other varieties of fruits, some of which are not commonly seen on the mar-

Immediately to the rear of the norticulture exhibits is a display by Dr. E. M. Hildebrand, plant pathologist. Fruits and vegetables are exhibited showing the result of

Bastrop-Lee Club Meets Wednesday

The Bastrop-Lee County Club vill meet Wednesday evening at 7:30 in Room 208, of the Academic Building, Chester Payton, club

president, announced Monday. The club picture for the Longnorn will be taken and final plans for a Christmas party will be made at the Wednesday night meeting, Payton said.

Payton requested that club members wear coats and ties for appearance in the picture.

ENNIS STORE HIJACKED

ENNIS, Tex., Dec. 14 -(P)-Two men robbed the W. J. Pollan trading Post near here Monday night, taking about \$225 from G. A. Gilbert, an employee.

on which there were no license

The Horticulture Club also has concessions for gift packages of this season's citrus fruit.

Bolton Continues At Home' Custom

President and Mrs. F. C. Bolton nounced Thursday.

Bolton also commented on the the party.

of the occasion," he concluded.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner for the Cadet of the invitations committee. Corps will be served in Duncan Hall tonight L. B. Moon steward, which include dinner, is \$3,50 per

One of the robbers was armed. turkey, dressing, and cranberry include remittance in the form of They fled in a 1946 model Mercury sauce included, Moon said.

hurst, associate professor of Re- attacks by some of the diseases and scales peculiar to each fruit. J .B. Storey, vice-president of the Horticulture Club, explained that all of the fruit will be sold. Some of the exhibits are on sale now and others may be purchased after the show is over. Members of the club will be on duty to sell the produce until 10 to-

will continue a custom of long-standing by being "at home" to all associates on the staff of the college and the services and their families from 3 to 7 p. m. on New Years Day President Bolton an-

annual staff and faculty Christmas

"It serves as a pleasant social iving here, gives an opportunity for better acquaintance with our show our respect for the honorees

Scheduled Tonight

same as the Thanksgiving dinner, 272, Arlington, Texas, and should nex students.

Set for Wednesday

The Lutheran Students Associa-tion's annual Christmas party will be held at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday in the Lutheran student center, Richard Wornat, Association president, announced Manday.

Christmas Party

The party will include a shower for the student center kitchen. each member bringing a kitchen utensil selected from the group on display at the center, Wornat said. opening of the presents and the will be photographed. singing of carols, is planned for

A special party for married studinner as being a custom of long dents and their families will be

held Thursday night Wornat said. occasion of cheer and good fellow-ship for all the System employees NTAC Exes Plan fellow workers, and enables us to New Year's Dance

The North Texas Agricultural College Ex-Students' Association New Year's Eve party will be held in the Brazilian Room of the Melrose Hotel in Dallas according to Sponsored by Student Activities, Morman E, St. Clair vice-chairman the party is for all Annex students

The charge for reservations,

Election On 'Annual' Question Committee Approves Plan to Paint Tower; Senate Selects Will Review Spending of Student Activities A-M Delegates

Thursday, January 6, was set by the Student Life Committee as the date for a student To SWC Dance election to decide whether to change or to continue the present name of the A&M yearbook. W. L. Penberthy read the recommendation of the Student Senate concerning the contem-

During the discussion following the reading of the Senate recommendation, the ques-

heart, will represent A&M at the Southwest Conference New Years Eve student dance held in conjunction with the Cotton Bowl festivities Robert Smith chairman of the Street Entries Jan. 1

Student Life Votes To Have

in the SMU Student Union Building and Perkins Gymnasium from 9 p. m. to 12:30. The Aggieland Band and a collegiate band from SMU will provide music for the dance sponsored by the Cotton Bowl Association.

The deadline for the Vanity Fair section of The Longhorn has been extended from Dec. 18 to Jan. 4, Earl Rose, Longhorn co-editor, announced to-day. The informal dance will be held the SMU Student Union Build-

Rose also listed this week's photography schedule for the club section of the annual.

This afternoon at 1 the AVMA will be photographed on the steps of the Chemistry Building. The Montgomery County Club will be photographed at 7:30 p. m. in Room 106 of the Academic Buildat 4 p. m. Friday, December 31, in lng, and the SAE at 8:15 p. m. in the SMU Student Union Building, the Assembly Room of the YMCA.

Wednesday, December 15, the San Antonio Club will be phototrop-Lee Club, 7:15 p. m., Room the three names which poll the ing home for the holidays to pay 208, Academic Building; and the highest number of votes plus any their fees before leaving since next the Science Lecture Room. in 20% of the votes. the Science Lecture Room.

The Poultry Science Club will be photographed at 8 p. m. to-night and the Weatherford Club will be photographed Thursday at 7:30 p. m. These clubs have not yet arranged the place at which they will be photographed.

Rose asked that an officer from the Weatherford Club and from the Poultry Science Club contact Howard Berry in the Visual Aids isplay at the center, Wornat said. Lab or phone 4-5867 in order to background of the water tower A short program, including the arrange the place at which they problem and credited Colonel of

Annual Christmas Party to be Held At Annex Tonight

The A&M Annex will hold its annual Christmas party tonight at 7 in the Student Center, Mrs. Ann Hilliard, Annex social secretary, said Monday.

and faculty staff members. The program arranged by Mrs. announced today,

The dinner will be nearly the sent to Elizabeth Gann, P. O. Box dets, and special numbers by An-

include remittance in the form of Group singing of Christmas car-cash, money order, or check, not ols and refreshments will conclude Sbisa Hall will also serve Christ- later than December 24, St. Clair the yule festivities, Mrs. Hilliard

a concoction of cokes, stale coffee,

After the character has been

created, the trooper who wobbles

the straightest is appointed to

After several hours of deep

thought, he hunts up a copy of the

copies the desired with from that

room, five cokes, and a cold shower

The feature editor shoves aside

it, seals it in an odor-proof con-tainer and ships it to the print-

shop. The maid sweeps away the

kernels from the feature depart-

ment floor and the troops retire

and water.

write the story.

plated change to the committee to begin the session.

collowing the reading of the Senate recommendation, the questions considered included these; should write-ins be allowed on the ballots? should the suggested changes be limited to only 10 names? and should the list be decided upon by a certain group?

A motion offered by Charlie Howard and seconded by lerry Sutherland was accepted unanimously by the committee after being added to by Chuck Cabanias.

The metion follows: Resolved, that the ballot which is submitted to the student body shall have two parts. The upper part shall contain a vote for or against the changing of the names and state of the lower part shall include all of the names and statement will appear on the lower part of the ballot, above the names: If a change is to be made, mark your selection on the list of new names."

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A blank for students to use for submitting possible annual names is on Page 6.

will be made. If one of the new

Lutheran Students of the Agriculture Building; the votes (over 50%) it will be chosen. Tyler Club at 7 p. m. in the south If no name has received a majority Solarium of the YMCA; the Bas- a run-off list will be composed of trop-Lee Club, 7:15 p. m., Room the three names which poll the 208, Academic Building; and the highest number of votes plus any 20% of the votes.

If no name receives a majority in the first run-off election, the top 2 names will be voted on in a third election. Name suggestions must be in by 5 p. m., Tuesday, January 4. The election will be held on Thursday, January 6, in the usual manner.

A recommendation by the Student Senate that the water tower be painted was presented to the group. Doyle Avant explained the the Corps Don McClure with the painting idea. Ray Holbrook moved that the tower be painted and his motion was seconded by Avant.

The motion which passed una-miously called for painting the tower maroon and silver with the outfit symbols around the bottom and "Welcome to Aggie-land" around the sides.

family of M. H. Slothman expressng appreciation for flowers sent to his funeral was read.

On the request of Bennie Zinn, Penberthy appointed a committee vestigate possible changes is the requirements for the George Moore Trophy. Appointed to the commit-Hilliard includes music by the Ag- tee headed by Zinn were Don Mcclure, Don Kasper, Doyle Avant, said,

> its and fees from reinstating traffic licenses was approved for the
> purchase of the film "Human Reproduction." This film had been
> rented at \$10 per week by the
> YMCA for showings on the campus in the past. After being purchased, it will be available without charge for showings by college or-

The committee decided that bills of the Student Activities Office for more than \$100 shall be subject to the approval of the Student Welfare and Recreation Committee before being accepted. This committee will re-port to the Student Life Com-mittee each month on the bills approved and disapproved. An intensive discussion was held

by the committee members concerning the advisability of making changes in the present traffic regulations, particularly those per-taining to parking areas. Penberthy is to investigate possibilities of making changes and the reasons controlling the advisability or inadvisability of making the changes.

New Time Set For **Psychological Test**

New undergraduate students registered in A&M in the current semester who have not taken the Psychological Examination are required to report to the Chemistry Leaves P. the Chemistry Lecture Room 7 p.m., Wednesday to take this examination, H. L. Heaton, registrar, has announced.

This is a change in the hour of the examination which had been previously scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Heaton stated.

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The fourth and final fees installment for this semester is due Wednesday, Dec. 15, W. H. Holzmann, comptroller, has announced. The installment, \$52.65 for corps men and \$17.85 for non-corps men living in college dormitories, will be for the remainder of December (Christmas holiday excluded) and for the month of January.

Students who do not pay their fees by Wednesday will be fined \$1 per day for each day that they are late in their payment, Holzmann said. Following the new college ruling, the fiscal office will drop from the rolls the names of any students who do not pay their fees within five days from Wed-

Holzmann advised students goline for payment.

Cheap Method Of **Curing Cheese Now** On Trial at A&M

Curing cheese at a temperature lower than the normal 50-60 degrees Fahrenheit may revolution-

ize curing methods. Contrary to all previous theories, this premise was advanced by Henry Teube of the Swisher Creamery in Tulia to Dr. A. V. Moore of the Dairy Husbandry Depart-

The Dairy Husbandry Department has begun a series of experiments to prove or disprove the theory. Several pieces of cheese A letter of gratitude from the are being cured at a temperature of -10 degrees. Moore said that pieces will be

removed at a rate of about one every 3 months. Each piece will be tested for ripeness by a chemicomposed of the Corps members of cal test and a taste test as it is the Student Life Committee to inremoved.
If the low temperature curing process proves successful it will enable processors to cure cheese

cheaper and more quickly, Moore

The use of \$110 from the fund derived from exchange store prof-

Diarrhea, measles and influenza held the top position among ten diseases reported in the College Station-Bryan area for the week ending December 11. Fifty-five diarrhea cases, 34

measles cases, and 21 influenza cases were tabulated in the weekly report of the Brazos County Health Unit.

Three cases of syphilis and four gonorrhea cases were reported for the week, all in the Bryan area. **AAUP Will Meet** In YMCA Tonight

The A&M Chapter of the AAUP will meet tonight at 8 in the Assembly Room of the YMCA, the sembly Room of the YMCA, the chapter secretary has announced. Dr. W. A. Varvel will discuss "Honor Societies at A&M." In addition there will be a report of the meetings of the delegates of the State Chapters of the AAUP and the Texas State Teachers Association which were held in Dallas and San Antonio, the secretary said. The delegates assembled in San Antonio organized a College Classroom Teachers Section of the Texas State Teachers Association. Professor Sam Barton of North Texas State Teachers College has been chosen president of this

REDS CLOSE FINN SHOWS HELSINKI Finland, Dec. 14—
(A)—Finland has shut down two
plays in Helsinki theaters at the
suggestion of Russia, which described the plays as "hostile to the
Soviet Union."

Knows Nothing, Tells All . . . 100 Mar 100 Mar Grief And Misery, Pains And Woes All Make Feature Writers Pay Thru Nose

By DAVE COSLETT

to do. Just get a typewriter, paper, the latest gag magazine, and let choice bits of wit and wisdom fall the feature editor in a half-nelson

ture him's getting wrote,"
Classification of features is,

of course, a necessary step in a thorough discussion of the subject. For clarity, let us consider them as being divided into three classes, the "would you have thunk it" type, the "plagiaristic review," and the "you're a darn Then he returns to his faithfool if you believe it" offering. Under the first heading, known in educated circles as the straight feature, comes the "Local Inventor Perfects Power-Driven Pogo Stick" kind of story. There's not much work involved in this type. The personality or manager of the object or event in question starts

the editor with ten. blackmail unless the paper prints After all, it's such a simple thing lative adjectives concerning him or libel.

and informs him that such a story So gather round, all you poor will be written. The feature edimisinformed would-be wise-crack- tor, in turn, takes the latest issue sentence and runs it with his bying word-wreckers and I will tell of Esquire away from the feature line. A variation of this system is you a sad tale. Since I know as "troops" and tells them the sad little as possible about the sub-news, The "troops," in their turn, ject, "I gung tell you how a fea- pull out their two-headed coins and "flip out"-the loser writes

the story. He first makes at least three unsuccessful attempts to find the source of his news in his office. Finally he finds his informant and.

ful typewriter and tries to think of a novel lead (first sentence to you non-journalists). This process seldom takes over two hours for the more experienced writers. Finally the story is written and sent "down-stairs." A month later it appears on the back page with the lead rewrit-

The person about whom it is employed. Lack of funds requires So you want to write a feature? a front-page collection of super- written then sues the paper for that the stimulant in this case be

The editor immediately grabs considerably simpler. The reporter merely takes a story out of some California newspaper or from the AP wire, changes the first and last the collection of short plagierisms | last fictional feature he wrote and

in a single story.

It is the last kind, that appears Finally, after two packages of cithe simplest to write. This variety, garettes, ten visits to the editorial commonly known as fictional features, is what causes all feature or two, he presents the finished writers to have a glassy stare in article to be proofed. their eyes. To illustrate, let's use the ficticious character variation. his box of pick-up-sticks, reads the story, grimaces, writes a head for

In the first place the charac-ter must be created. This is ac-complished at a conference of the feature staff. The troops are inchained from their desks and led to a comfortably padded room. Here, each of them recall either their latest nightmare or the characters conjured in their mind during their last encounter with Demon Rum.

for the night. I would tell you aspiring jour-nalists how the feature editors write those heads, but I must go now. I have an appointment with If ideas are not rapidly forth- my psychiatrist.