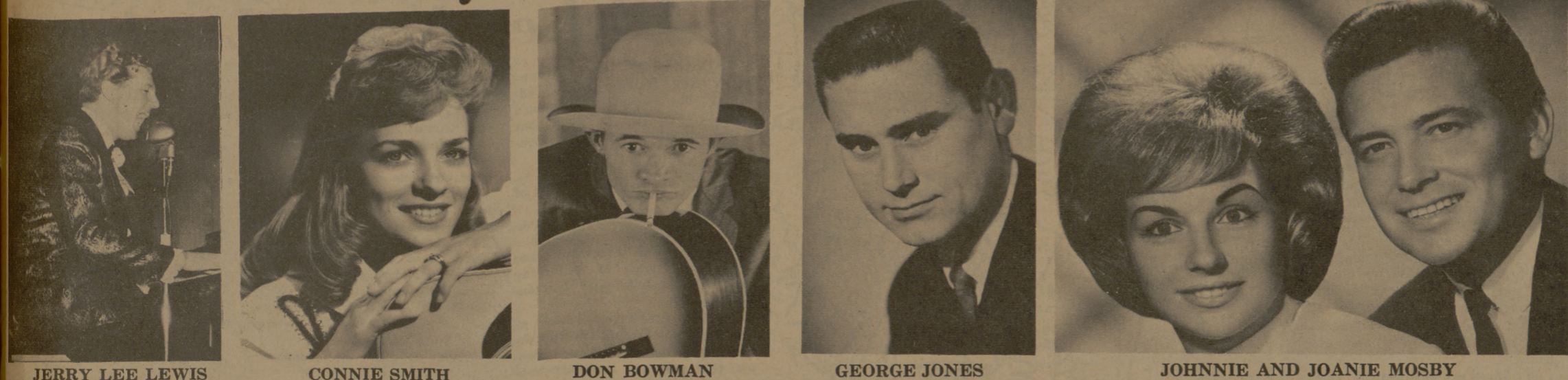


# Louisiana Hayride Comes To Town Saturday Night

## George Jones To Headline Entertainers



JERRY LEE LEWIS      CONNIE SMITH      DON BOWMAN      GEORGE JONES      JOHNNIE AND JOANIE MOSBY

The Louisiana Hayride, one of the largest shows of its type, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The show—which starts with the traditional "Come along, everybody come along. Come while the moon is shining bright. We're going to have a wonderful time on the Louisiana Hayride tonight!"—will be headlined by George Jones, country and western recording artist.

The A&M chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society, is sponsoring the show as part of its 1964-65 activities.

Advance tickets may be purchased on campus until 4 p.m. Saturday in the Memorial Student Center. Tickets are \$2.25 for reserve seats, \$1.75 for general admission and \$1.25 for students. Only a few reserve tickets remain and these will go on sale at 8 a.m. Saturday in the MSC. After 4 p.m. Saturday, tickets will be 25 cents higher.

Advance tickets may be purchased at the MSC Finance Office, Student Publications Office, Exchange Store and the Department of Journalism until 5 p.m. Friday and at Jarrott's Pharmacy—Downtown and Townshire—until noon Saturday.

Jones, "America's No. One County Singer," started his recording career with "Why Baby Why." He followed with "She Thinks I Still Care," "The Window Up Above" and "The Race Is On."

Other stars scheduled for the show are Jerry Lee Lewis, Connie Smith, Johnnie & Joanie Mosby, Nat Stuckey, Don Bowman and the Louisiana Hayriders.

Last year SDX sponsored the Harlem Globetrotters. Proceeds from that show and the Hayride will be used to improve the journalism program at A&M and also to provide scholarships to high school students interested in majoring in journalism or agricultural journalism at A&M.

The three and one-half hour show will be broadcast live over radio station KWKH in Shreveport, La., which has a coverage area of 31 states.

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# Faculty Circulating Petition Opposing Coed Restriction

By GLENN DROMGOOLE  
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The Board of Directors gained an ally this week in its fight against legislative restrictions on coeducation.

Faculty members are circulating a petition which urges faculty support for the Board in opposing the Senate measure limiting coeducation.

"We . . . deplore the interference in the board's efforts which is being exerted by certain individuals who, we feel, are not in a position to properly evaluate and direct the future of Texas A&M University," the petition states.

"We specifically object to Senate Bill 290 as it interferes with the right of the Board of Directors to chart the course of Texas A&M," it continues.

Circulation of 45 copies of the petition started this week among the 500 faculty members with about 200 signatures recorded Wednesday night. An attached note states the petition will be presented to President Earl Rudder.

The bill to prohibit complete coeducation here was approved by the Senate Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs last week and is due for Senate action soon.

Senate Bill 209, as amended by the committee, would allow A&M to continue its present policy of limited coeducation.

## Students Accepted For Summer Trips By Travel Groups

In the spring a young man's thoughts turn to foreign travel, among other things, and Aggies are no exception.

Three students have been accepted to participate in the Experiment in International Living, which includes home visits in foreign countries during the summer months.

Charles S. Dendy, a senior math major from Monahans, will visit in Sweden.

Frank L. Ray Jr., a junior pre-veterinary medicine student from Conroe, will go to Switzerland.

Paul Bleau, from Boston, Mass., will visit East Pakistan. He visited Northern Rhodesia two years ago in the Operations Crossroads Africa program.

In addition, Edward Lee Walker of Bryan, has been accepted as an alternate leader for the Experiment in International Living. As such, he could be assigned to any of 40 foreign nations. He is a graduate student in physics.

Walker will attend a training school for leaders in St. Louis, Mo., in April. He visited Yugoslavia as an experimenter in 1963.

Students and faculty members are eligible for a \$300 chartered flight round trip from Houston to London. The flight will leave about June 6 and return sometime during August. Those interested in making the flight should make a \$50 deposit with the Memorial Student Center Travel Committee before Apr. 15.

The faculty petition is on line with recommendations made in 1962 by the Faculty-Staff-Student Aspirations Study which proposed unlimited coeducation and non-compulsory ROTC.

"The faculty is overwhelmingly in favor of coeducation," the report read.

"The faculty considers the refusal to admit women to the College to be contrary to the spirit of the land-grant idea and a handicap to the institution. This refusal leads to the loss of support and appeal for the College throughout Texas. In turn, it eliminates many students of high potential, and frequently is a factor affecting faculty and graduate student recruitment.

"The faculty's training has led them to the philosophy of equal academic standards and rights for all students, and they believe the present negative policy toward coeducation constitutes a major obstacle to academic excellence and institutional stature.

"It appears to the faculty that the admission of women need occasion no overwhelming problems of finance for the College, or at least this has been the experience elsewhere.

"The faculty does not presently recommend any changes in curricula to accommodate women. Rather, they feel that the present offerings include many fields of study with value and opportunity for women. Thus, it seems that no objective arguments based on academic fact can be made against coeducation. The strongest argument in this matter seems to be tradition, and this does not appear to be a proper defense for a land-grant institution."

An enrollment projection by the study group estimated that 7,930 students would attend an all-male, military A&M in 1976 and that 16,002 would enroll that year if A&M adopted unlimited

coeducation and non-compulsory ROTC.

Coeducation at A&M has been a hot topic for several years. The latest crisis erupted Feb. 6 when the Executive Council of the Association of Former Students proposed sweeping changes in the university's policies concerning

## Banquet Speaker Named By Arabs

Dr. Khalid I. Babaa, director of the Arab Information Center in Dallas, will be principal speaker for the annual spring banquet of the Arab Student Club Saturday night in the Memorial Student Center.

Topic of his address will be "Arab-American Relations." Babaa has been director of the Arab Information Center for the Southwest since April, 1964, moving from his post as head of the office of the League of Arab States in Canada, which he had held for four years.

Prior to that time, he was chief of research for the Arab States Delegations Office in New York. He was also chief clerk in the Jordanian Ministry of the Interior for four years.

The speaker was born in Samaria, Palestine, and received his early education in Palestine and Jordan. He received B.A. and M.A. degrees in economics and political science from Southwestern University in Georgetown, and earned his Ph.D. degree in international affairs and law at New York University.

Babaa is the author of a book soon to be published, "Positive Neutralism—Myth and Reality." He is a member of Pi Gamma Mu, national United States social science society, Alpha Chi, national scholarship society, the International Law society and the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences.

coeducation and compulsory military training.

It was further agitated by bills introduced in both houses of the state legislature seeking to return A&M to all-male status.

A student body vote on Feb. 25 narrowly approved full coeducation and non-compulsory ROTC, and these results were presented to the Board of Directors Feb. 26. The Board ordered the administration to undertake a study of the proposals.

Meanwhile, Sen. Andy Rogers from Childress and Rep. Mack Edwards of Pattonville, two Aggie exes, were gathering strength for all-male A&M bills in their respective legislative bodies.

Rogers' bill was withdrawn from Bryan Sen. Bill Moore's Education Committee and given a hearing in the Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Before the hearing could be held, Rogers' measure was revised to permit limited coeducation that now exists at A&M.

Major effect of the bill would be to prohibit the A&M Board from approving full coeducation.

## Senate Approves Student Loan Bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas senators decided today the state should help students pay their way through college.

By a 29-0 vote the Senate approved a proposed constitutional amendment that would authorize insurance of \$75 million in bonds to finance loans to students in senior or junior colleges, private or state supported.

The measure, sponsored by Sen. Grady Hazlewood of Amarillo, goes back to the House which originally approved a \$100 million bond issue.



NEW THEATER-WORKSHOP . . . built by directing students in Guion basement.

## Shelter Converted By Theater Group

Sixteen students wielding paintbrushes and splicing electrical wiring have converted an official Civil Defense fallout shelter into a new theater-workshop. First plays to be staged in the theater will be presented March 30 under student direction.

The students are enrolled in the theater arts course, "Techniques of Directing," taught by assistant professor C. K. Esten. Full credit for creating the 150-seat theater in the basement under the Guion Hall stage goes to the students. The area remains a fallout shelter stocked with emergency supplies.

"I said, 'why don't we make a little place down here for your use in staging these one-act plays' . . . and the next thing I knew the students had painted the area, put up lighting, brought in chairs and put up the sign outside," Esten said.

The Aggie Players will continue to use the Guion stage for their productions. The Players annually present a variety of productions. Running this week is Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors."

Esten is enthusiastic about the students' efforts, both in preparing the theater-workshop and in directing their plays. "A student will learn more directing his own play than by hours of classroom lectures," Esten said.

Robert W. Wenck of Midland, Esten's student assistant and technical production director for the campus theater, is credited with an important role in preparing the new facilities. Wenck returned to Aggieland after two years of service as stage manager of a play on national tour.

Two or three one act plays or excerpts from longer plays will be staged at 7:30 p.m. March 30, April 8, 13, 21 and 30 by the directing class. Admission will be 50 cents.

The new theater also is to be used April 23-24 when the John Avery Lomax Folklore Society presents an evening of folk songs by local and other folk singers.

## Car License Sales Run Until Friday

A deputy tax assessor-collector from Brazos County will sell license plates at the Memorial Student Center through Friday.

Mrs. John Rauch is operating the booth for Raymond Buchanan, county tax assessor-collector.

The booth is open from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. near the gift shop. Customers should bring last year's registration receipt and the car title.

Only license plates for automobiles are available at the MSC location.

## Rusk Discounts Gas Charges In Viet Nam

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Dean Rusk denied Wednesday that the United States is waging gas warfare in Viet Nam, and said nonkilling tear and nausea gases will continue to be used as needed for saving innocent lives.

Rusk sought to overcome a U.S. propaganda setback with an unusual personal appearance at the State Department's daily briefing for newsmen.

American strategists are surprised and concerned by global repercussions over disclosure Monday that South Vietnamese troops are using the U.S.-supplied gases in some actions against Red Viet Cong guerrillas.

Even Britain's foreign secretary and a group of House Republicans were among those joining the critical chorus Tuesday.

Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara also was questioned about the issue at a closed meeting with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Wednesday.

Afterward, he told reporters the United States has no intention of using lethal gases, but use of tear and nausea gas as a riot control agent would continue.

He said it had been used only on three occasions—twice to rescue captured Americans.

Rusk, in his comments at the State Department, described the third use. He said it was released on Communist terrorists after they had seized villagers and were shooting from behind them.

The choice lay between using the gas and firing artillery shells or dropping bombs, Rusk said.

"The issue that was involved here," he said, "was that minimum force would be used under the circumstances, whereas otherwise innocent people might be injured."

"We are not embarking on gas warfare in Viet Nam," he said, adding:

"The anticipation is that these weapons will be used only in riot control or in situations analogous to riot control."

## The World at a Glance

By The Associated Press  
**International**  
ABOARD THE USS INTREPID—Astronauts Virgil I. Grissom and John W. Young—fresh from mastering space for nearly five hours—just couldn't take 45 minutes of bobbing and pitching at the mercy of the unkind Atlantic Ocean.

Grissom and Young both became seasick Tuesday and Grissom vomited before the space twins were hauled up to the helicopter that brought them to the aircraft carrier Intrepid, it was learned Wednesday.

**National**  
PASADENA, Calif.—Ranger 9, televising live to home viewers, slammed into the moon Wednesday after snapping 6,150 spectacular close-ups of never-before-seen cracks and pocks on the floor of a lunar crater.

The major first in space provided a dramatic windup to the once-troubled \$280-million Ranger series, designed to find safe landing sites for astronauts later in this decade.

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CORDOVA, Md.—A plane identified by state police as a C154 military transport exploded in the air near this rural community on the eastern shore of Chesapeake Bay Wednesday.

The police report said there were no known survivors.  
Dover Air Force Base is about 40 miles away in Delaware.

**Texas**  
AUSTIN—Two University of Texas football players, end Pete Lammons and tackle Diron Talbert, were granted an indefinite postponement Wednesday in a hearing on misdemeanor assault charges filed against them.

Justice of the Peace Jerry Dellana delayed the hearing because one of the players' three attorneys is a Texas legislator, Rep. Terry Townsend, Brady. Both players were starters on last year's Longhorn team and they also have eligibility remaining. Lammons, a junior, is from Jacksonville, and sophomore Talbert is from Texas City.

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AUSTIN—A bill to provide treatment for sexual psychopaths went to a House Judiciary subcommittee Wednesday after one member said it might create a life sentence for persons convicted of a misdemeanor.

Rep. Dudley Mann, El Paso, spoke for nearly an hour and a half on his bill, HB406, relating the case of an El Paso youth who admitted he was sexually sick but couldn't help repeating offenses against young girls.