

### PLAN NAVASOTA DAM

WACO, Tex., Oct. 21 (AP)—Six new dams and reservoirs are "being considered" by U. S. Corps of Army engineers for control of floods in the lower watershed of Brazos River. Col. Henry Hutchings, Jr., division engineer, told directors of Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation District. One would be on the Navasota River, about 15 miles southeast of Bryan.

### TEXAS STILL THIRD

NEW YORK, Oct. 21 (AP)—Michigan has been stamped as the No. 1 team of the nation by the sportswriters participating in the weekly Associated Press football poll. Notre Dame remained a strong second choice. Ten writers thought Texas had the best ball club in the land and there were enough who were impressed to give them third place.

### "COWBOY KING" KILLED

ROSWELL, N. M., Oct. 21 (AP) Bob Crosby, who cheated death a thousand times on bucking broncos and wild-eyed steers, is dead from a jeep accident. The "King of the Cowboys" died of head and chest injuries near here yesterday when his jeep plunged 30 feet into the dry river bed of the Pecos River.

### PRODUCERS TESTIFY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21 (AP)—Sam Wood, veteran Hollywood producer and director, said yesterday "a tight, disciplined group of Communist Party members and party liners" is seeking to gain control of unions and guilds in the movie capital.

Jack L. Warner, Hollywood movie producer, told the committee that people "with un-American leaning" have infiltrated into the movie industry.

### ANDERSON SAYS "NO"

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 21 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Anderson said yesterday he was "paying no attention" to reports that he might resign from the Truman cabinet to seek a seat in the Senate from his home state of New Mexico.

### UN DEADLOCKED

NEW YORK, Oct. 21 (AP)—The United Nations assembly failed today in a new effort to break the three-week deadlock between India and the Soviet Ukraine in the contest for the security council seat which Poland will vacate December 31.

### STILL NO EGGS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21 (AP)—Eggsless Thursday will continue even if poultryless Thursday is abandoned, citizens food committee officials predicted yesterday. They told reporters it is probable to be restored to Thursday menus as a result of conferences starting today.

### SEEK FOREST ARSONIST

LUFKIN, TEX., Oct. 21 (AP)—E. L. Kurth, asserting there was no doubt that fires had been set deliberately in timber lands in Polk County Friday and Saturday, today offered a reward of \$200 for arrest and conviction of the person or persons who set them. Kurth is president of the Angelina County Lumber Company.

### JESTER WARNS GOVS.

ASHVILLE, N. C., Oct. 21 (AP)—Gov. Beaufort H. Jester of Texas yesterday warned the southern conference of governors that the United States Supreme Court's refusal to reconsider the California tidelands case tightened the "strangling loop of super-federal control at the throats of mere property owners, the sovereign states of the union."

### PUT OUT FOG

NEW YORK, Oct. 21 (AP)—The fire department was called to put out a dense fog in the Bronx. A woman apartment house dealer, awakened by a neighbor's coughing, saw the fog rolling past her window in smoke-like clouds. She screamed, "Fire!" an alarm was turned in and it was almost dawn before the neighborhood got back to sleep.

### WON'T LEAVE KOREA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21 (AP)—The United States has formally rejected Russia's proposal that Soviet and American occupation troops withdraw simultaneously from Korea.

### EGYPT CHOLERA BAD

CARIG, Oct. 21 (AP)—A 26 day-old cholera epidemic has cost 2,128 lives in Egypt, the public health ministry announced today, as the Egyptian government allocated new funds and mapped new plans for combating the disease.

### GET MOBILE HOSPITAL

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 21 (AP)—A mobile operating room, mounted in an automobile trailer and equipped with facilities comparable to those of large hospitals, will be stationed by the Navy at the Naval hospital in Houston for disaster relief work, Eight Naval District Headquarters here announced.

### YEHUDI MARRIES

LONDON, Oct. 21 (AP)—London newspapers reported that Yehudi Menuhin, 31, world renowned violinist, and Diana Gould, 24, actress and ballerina, were married here Sunday morning. Menuhin divorced his first wife.

## Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman . . .

# Italian Sculptor, Pompeo Coppini, Quits Engineering, Produces 'Sully' Monument

By KENNETH BOND

Like a beacon in a stormy sea, the statue of General Sullivan Ross stands at the center of the A&M Campus. For those who were never able to know Lawrence Sullivan Ross, the statue stands as a monument to a man who started A&M on its way to becoming an educational institution.

To those who attended A&M in the early days and knew General Ross, the statue is "hardly necessary. As one old timer put it, "The statue is only a reminder, and those of us who knew him could never forget. You see, he engraved his memory on the hearts and minds of those students who attended A&M when he was president."

"I have never heard anyone who attended A&M utter an unkind word about him," he added. The Ross statue was modeled in 1918 by Pompeo Coppini, Italian-born sculptor who still lives in San Antonio. From his studio there came many of Texas' commemorative monuments.

To an average person to "build" a piece of rock, and merely take hammer, chisel, and a piece of steel, and with a chip here and a slot there (augmented by a stick or two of dynamite) you have a full-blown statue. It is thinking like this which makes it possible for an artist to live, to create and build, and die before he is appreciated or acclaimed.

Coppini, an active little 77 year old Italian, likes to shoot the breeze over a cup of coffee and cigarettes as well as anyone. Drop around to one of the little side street coffee shops in San Antonio, and you'll find him drinking coffee, talking, and just living.

Some of the other works of Sculptor Coppini are such well known pieces as the Littlefield Memorial Fountain at Texas University, the Confederate Group located in front of the State Capitol at Austin, the Baylor Memorial and Burleson Statue at Waco, the Hammerstein Statue for the Hammerstein Theatre in New York, and the six bronze figures in the Hall of Texas Heroes which were exhibited at the Centennial in Dallas in 1936.

Coppini was born in the Italian Province of Moglia, in 1870. His father, a musician, was the descendant of a noble, wealthy family which was ruined by the Austrians in the War of 1866. Coppini could carry the name of a nobleman, but refused to let anyone know this, as he wanted only those things in life that he could attain himself.

After studying in Florence, Italy under the best teachers the world had to offer at that time, Zocci and Rivalta, he graduated from the Accademia de Belle Arti. He finished the eight year academy course in three years, winning highest honors and prize money over students of eight to twelve years training.

His parents objected violently to his training as an artist as they had hopes of his becoming a civil engineer. Though their hopes never completely materialized, he was forced to work as an engineer on a dam in northern Italy for a while when they refused to finance further art training.

In his attempt to follow his chosen field of work, he was forced to spend several years in the Italian Army, paint signs, clerk in a store, and be a wine salesman. From the money accumulated as a wine merchant, he returned to



Above: POMPEO COPPINI, sculptor of the Ross Statue. Below: The Lawrence Sullivan Ross Monument.



Upon his arrival in the United States in 1896, he found that the golden "land of opportunity" did not necessarily exist for sculptors. He spent several months wandering about New York before he finally received a commission to make portrait busts of several New York notables. He went to Omaha where he modeled all the groups and other sculpture work for the government building at the Omaha Exposition. He also prepared many of the groups for the Pan-American Export Exposition held in Philadelphia in 1899. Upon his return to New York, he and Arthur Fendel opened a studio. Though the partnership soon dissolved, Coppini continued the operation of the studio.

After a whirlwind courtship, Coppini married the former Miss Elizabeth De Barbieri of New Haven, Conn. She became a real helpmate and his constant aid and inspiration. They moved to San Antonio in 1910 and built the now famous Coppini home and studio located at the corner of Broadway and Avenida Place in Alamo Heights. Though he has an office on West 14th Street in New York, he prefers to spend as much time as possible in San Antonio.

Coppini reserves a warm spot in his heart for the General Sul Ross Statue, which was erected in front of the Academic Building in 1918. "It was an honor to do a statue of such a great man," says the Sculptor. "I think that in addition to keeping this statue clean, the freshmen should try to model their lives after Ross. He was a great Indian fighter, participating in 135 battles and had five horses shot under him. As governor, he was elected twice by a handsome majority and died as president of A&M College. At the college Ross was respected and admired, not as an ex-governor but because of his love for the students. He loved the college sufficiently to reject a nomination as Railroad Commissioner. In spite of his outstanding record as an Indian fighter and general in the Confederate Army, I think he is well depicted as a statesman and college president."

In regards to the Sul Ross Statue, here is a letter dated 26 October, 1918 from President William B. Bizzell to Sculptor Coppini: "Dear Mr. Coppini, I am delighted with the photograph of the Governor Ross Statue, and I shall take pleasure in having it framed and placed in a conspicuous place in my reception office. It is very gratifying to me that you are taking so much pride in the production of this artistic work. I am sure it will be a credit to you as well as to the great state which is endeavoring to honor the memory of Governor Ross. Signed: W. B. Bizzell."

## 4 College Station Men Nominated To Regular Army, AF

Four men from College Station, including three members of the staff of A&M, were nominated last week for recess appointments as commissioned officers in the Regular Army and Air Force, General Thomas T. Handy, Fourth Army commander, announced Saturday.

1st Lt. Col. Henry F. Murray, military property custodian, was nominated for a permanent rank of first lieutenant in the Regular Air Force, subject to confirmation by the Senate when it reconvenes.

1st Lt. Col. Clifford M. Simmang, professor in the mechanical engineering department, was nominated for a recess appointment in the Regular Army, with a permanent rank of captain in the Field Artillery.

2nd Lt. George G. Greenwell was nominated in the Regular Air Force for the permanent rank of second lieutenant.

Capt. Charles A. Lewis of the fiscal office was named for the permanent rank of first lieutenant in the Regular Army.

General Handy pointed that these four appointments were among approximately 5,900 chosen from 85,000 officers and former officers of the National Guard, Officers Reserve Corps, and Army of the United States who applied for commissions under the Second Regular Army Integration Program.

This latest list brings to almost 28,000 the number of officers nominated for the Regular Army or Air Force under the two programs. There will be approximately 40,000 regulars after this increment is confirmed by the Senate.

About 725 in the five-state Fourth Army Area received appointments, General Handy revealed.

## Donor of Library To College Dies

Otto H. Lang, who gave his library on architecture and engineering to A. & M. in 1942, died Saturday at his home in Dallas. Lang, who came to Dallas from Germany in 1888, was a pioneer Dallas architect, having helped design some of the city's best known structures.

## Batt Co-Editor To Attend Minnesota ACP Convention

Charlie Murray, co-editor of The Battalion, will leave tomorrow morning by plane for Minneapolis to attend a three-day Associated Collegiate Press conference.

The convention, to be held October 23 through 25 will cover all phases of newspaper, yearbook, and magazine publishing.

Designed to aid student journalists in all fields, the ACP parley will provide a program including such speakers as: George Freedley, drama critic for the New York Morning Telegraph; Dr. Ralph D. Casey, director of the University of Minnesota school of Journalism; Gideon Seymour, executive editor of the Minneapolis Star and Tribune; Graham B. Hovey, staff member of the New Republic who was on the "inside" as the Marshall Plan took shape; and George Grim, foreign correspondent for the Minneapolis Tribune, just back from a round-the-world tour by air.

The Associated Collegiate Press, the college version of the Associated Press, is directed by the University of Minnesota. It conducts semi-annual critical surveys of college publications. In its last survey The Battalion received an All-American rating, top honors for a student paper.

Murray will return to College Sunday evening.

## National Students Association Given Seat on UNESCO

The newly formed United States National Student Association has been granted membership in the National Commission for UNESCO (United Nations Economic, Scientific, and Cultural Organization).

Notification of this effect was received by the national office of the USNSA located in Madison, Wisconsin from the State Department in Washington.

William B. Welsh, president of the USNSA, announced that Robert S. Smith, vice-president of the association, would be representative of the National Student Association to the National Commission for UNESCO. Smith is chairman of the International Activities Commission of the USNSA, which is located at Harvard University.

The twenty-six regional chairmen of the National Student Association will coordinate their efforts with those of the regional UNESCO Committees to implement the programs of the National Commission for UNESCO.

The USNSA is an organization based upon the student government bodies of colleges and universities all over the United States. Delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention at Madison, Wisconsin came from 356 campuses, and were directly representing 1,389,000 American college students. The programs of the USNSA will benefit the individual college student through his student government body.

Direct student exchange between Canadian and the US universities is one of the projects now being developed. Special travel and study tours are being formulated for American students in Europe next summer. Tours are being planned for students from foreign countries to the United States.

One of the primary purposes of forming the USNSA was to provide a means by which all American students, working through their democratically elected student governing bodies, can help to create a world community based on better understanding between all the people of the world.

## Tom Roberts Will Ride in Rodeo

By FRED WHISENHUNT

Tom Roberts, a junior animal husbandry student from San Antonio, will be one of the contestants in the Aggie Rodeo of October 24-25.

Tom is a veteran rodeo performer having entered his first rodeo in 1941 at Bandera on a bareback bronc known as Cedar Snag. Since then he has competed in numerous rodeos, including the 1946 Inter-collegiate Rodeo at Tucson, Arizona and RCA shows at Boulder and Grand Lakes, Colorado.

He is a member of the Rodeo Cowboys Association and has been a consistent winner in the bronc riding events of the weekly RCA rodeo in Bandera. Tom helped stage the 1945 Aggie Rodeo and is entered in the bulldogging and bareback bronc events of this year's show.

This year's rodeo promises to be the biggest and best to date. There will be a \$400 added purse divided among the various events.

## Can-Can Chorus, Magician, Acrobat . . .

# NTSC Variety Show To Appear at Annex, Guion Hall on Nov. 1

## 'Aces of Collegeland Band' to Play For Dance in Sbisia Following Show

DENTON, Tex., (SPL) Oct. 20.—A 32-member variety troupe from North Texas State College will invade Aggeland Saturday, November 1, to present two shows before Aggie audiences and play for an A&M dance. Director Floyd Graham announced this week.

Featuring numbers by the 18-piece Aces of Collegeland band, a can-can chorus, and student performers, the variety show will be given at 5 p.m. for A&M freshmen and at 7:30 p.m. for other students. The stage band will play for a dance from 9 till 12 Saturday night.

The annex performance will be presented at the gymnasium, while the campus program will be held on the stage of Guion Hall.

Specialty numbers on the program will include songs by Virginia Clark of Neptune City, N. J. who was chosen the "most lovable girl of the month" this summer in New Jersey; the Dipsy Doodlers, a group of hillbilly singers composed of Adrian McClash, Reuben Noel, and Jim Bob Nance of Amarillo; Gene Pflug of Dallas, dancer featured in the Dallas Starlight Operetta this summer; Betty Stewart of Cleburne, special dancer; L. A. Speer Jr. of Denton, musician; and Mary Lashly of Port Arthur, an acrobatic dancer.

In the can-can chorus will be Jackie Langham of Dallas, Jeanine Hawthorne of Mexia, Katie Wisely of Denton, Fran Payne of Navasota, and Pat Purdy of Diboll.

Floyd Graham's variety show has gained state-wide recognition through tours of army hospitals and appearances throughout the region, including performances before A&M audiences.

During the first 15 days of the school year, Graham's troupe received 38 requests to appear before various groups throughout the state. The band is booked solid playing for dances the week of the A&M performances, according to Graham.

RIDING in the Aggie Rodeo this week-end will be girls from other Texas schools. Included are JANE TATUM of Junction, representing A. & M.; right; NANCY SPILLER of Junction, representing TCU, center, left; JO GEINER of Corpus Christi, Texas A. & I., center right; SUE MURCHISON of Menard, from Texas Tech, lower left; and ANTOINETTE PARKER of Harper, from John Tarleton Agricultural College.



## What's Cooking?

ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY Tuesday, Architectural Lecture Room.

AICHE PICNIC, 5 p. m., Wednesday, Henall Park, Transportation at Petroleum Building.

ARTS AND SCIENCES FACULTY, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Physics Lecture Room.

AUSTIN CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Monday, Room 108, Academic. (Originally October 23.)

AGRONOMY SOCIETY, 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, AI Lecture Room.

AIEE meets Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., E.E. Lecture Room.

AGGIE RODEO, October 24-25.

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Agricultural Engineering Lecture Room.

BATTALION STAFF, 7 p. m., Wednesday, Room 201, Goodwin.

COOKE COUNTY CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, Room 207, Academic.

EPISCOPAL STUDENTS CANTEBURY CLUB, 7 p. m., Wednesday, Parish House.

ECONOMICS CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Room 307, Academic.

ENGLISH STAFF, Annex English staff to entertain campus English faculty, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, Annex Student Center.

KREAM AND KOW CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Creamery Lecture Room, Dr. J. H. Quisenberry to speak.

HOUSTON CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, YMCA.

HEART OF THE HILLS CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, Room 225, Academic.

JOHNSON COUNTY CLUB, BARBECUE 5 p. m., Friday, Henall Park, Contact A. R. Buckner, 8-L Puryear, before noon, Thursday.

PRE-LAW SOCIETY, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Room 23, Building K.

PREMED-PRENTAL SOCIETY, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Science Lecture Room. Election of officers.

## Texas Nutrition Conference To Be Held Here October 23-24

Experts in the field of animal nutrition will convene at A. & M. October 23-24 to make available to Texans their accumulated knowledge on the production of the maximum poundage of meat, poultry, and eggs from available feeds.

The occasion is the third Texas Nutrition Conference, sponsored by the college for the benefit of Texas ranchmen, poultrymen, and feed men.

Application of latest scientific information in the fields of animal nutrition and biochemistry to the problems of feeding a hungry world will be discussed by Dr. E. M. Bethke, in charge of nutritional investigations at Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, and Dr. T. H. Jukes, head of the department of nutrition and physiology research for Lederle Laboratories of Pearl River, N. Y.

Dr. Bethke, expert in the field of poultry nutrition, is past president of both the American Poultry Science Association and the American Society of Animal Production. Dr. Jukes was formerly on the staff of the University of California.

Other nutritionists who plan to attend the conference are H. R. Guilbert, professor of animal husbandry at the University of California.

The annual meeting of the Texas State Nutrition Council will be held in Lubbock, October 25, in the Agriculture Auditorium of Texas Technological College. Miss Jennie Wilnot, Associate Professor of Home Economics, University of Texas, is Chairman of the Nutrition Council.

"Nutrition Education In The School" will be the theme of the meeting. J. C. Leukhardt of the Nutrition Program Office, Washington, D. C., will speak on "Current World Food Problems and What They Mean to Us."

RURAL SOCIOLOGY CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, Room 203, Agricultural Building.

SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, ME Lecture Room. Film "Something to Shoot For", on Cleveland Air Races.

TASSOC, 8:00 p. m., Wednesday, Oct. 22, Lecture Room of C.E. Building.

VOLLEYBALL CLUB, following fall practices Tuesday, Gymnasium.

VETERAN WIVES CLUB, 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, YMCA. Salad demonstration by Mrs. J. B. Medford.

## K-F ORDERS STEEL

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 21 (AP)—A \$500,000 paid-in-advance order for pig iron has been received from Kaiser-Frazer Corporation, E. B. Germany, president of the Lone Star Steel Company, announced.