

CALVERT TO ANNOUNCE POSITION IN DEM FIGHT

DALLAS, Feb. 25 (AP)—States Democratic Chairman Robert W. Calvert will tell Saturday how he feels about National Chairman J. Howard McGrath's stand on demands of Southern governors.

An independent Southern democratic move was advocated by J. M. Collins, members of the State Executive Democratic Committee, and former Rep. Martin Dies.

They told the Lufkin Daily News the south should declare its independence of President Truman and northern Democratic party leaders.

They suggested the south might form a southern Democratic party or elect non-pledged electors, who could vote for their own choice for president and vice president.

FOUR DIE IN CRASH OF ARMY BOMBER

MERIDIAN, Tex., Feb. 25 (AP)—Four members of a 12-man crew were killed in the crash of a B-25 bomber near here last night.

The eight other crew members, including Col. Alan D. Clark of Fort Worth, 7th Bombardment Wing Command, parachuted through the rain and fog to safety.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA NOW UNDER RED CONTROL

PRAGUE, Feb. 25 (AP)—The Communists seized undisputed control of Czechoslovakia yesterday with reluctant approval by President Eduard Benes of Premier Klement Gottwald's new cabinet.

The Communist Party came through a whirlwind five-day crisis with complete command of every avenue of the nation's life.

President Benes, who had held out for the five days against heavy pressure, finally yielded to the Communist battering ram.

Gottwald loaded the cabinet with party members and trusted sympathizers from minority parties.

Using the threat of a general strike as a weapon, he forced the president to approve it.

STEEL MAN PREDICTS 'MARSHALL DEPRESSION'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP)—Steel man Ernest T. Weir said yesterday the Marshall Plan might lead to a depression here more serious than any threat of "collapse and Communism" in Europe.

Both Texas and California wanted the 1949 convention of the American Association of Junior Colleges and they're both going to get it.

The convention will begin in El Paso, Texas, and wind up in San Francisco.

JESTER PRAISES TEXAS CONGRESSMEN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP)—Gov. Beaufort Jester of Texas was the guest of honor at a luncheon yesterday of his state's congressional delegation.

Jester said in a brief speech that the Texas delegation is "the most effective" on Capitol Hill.

CONGRESS GETS BILL FOR CO-OP COLLEGES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP)—Congress has been asked to allow 15 southern states to pool their money and build regional universities for both white and Negroes.

The bill was introduced into the House by Rep. Hobbs (D-Ala.)

Senator Holland of Florida said he would offer a similar bill in the Senate.

Texas, one of the sponsoring states, was represented by Governor Beaufort Jester at a meeting to discuss the plan.

TRUE WHITE JEFFS TO MAKE PLANS MONDAY

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 25 (AP)—An "urgent" meeting of the Mississippi Democratic executive committee will be held in Jackson Monday to map further plans in the Democratic rebellion against party leaders.

ITS "BIG H" NOW: 740,000 IN CITY

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 25 (AP)—The Houston Chamber of Commerce says the present population of Metropolitan Houston is 740,000. This figure is 40 percent more than the 1940 Federal census.

PRINTERS LOSE FIGHT AGAINST TAFT-HARTLEY

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25 (AP)—The International Typographical Union yesterday lost its fight to block Federal Court injunction proceedings brought against it under the Taft-Hartley Act by the General Council of the National Labor Relations Board.

FLY RENT-CONTROL BILL DOWN TO TRUMAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP)—The Senate yesterday passed by a voice vote the House-approved bill extending rent controls one month beyond next Sunday.

The measure now will be flown to the Caribbean for President Truman's expected signature. Mr. Truman is vacationing in that area.

The Senate acted under a suspension of its rules making it unnecessary for the Banking Committee to pass on the bill.

WEATHER

East Texas: Cloudy, occasional rain in north and west portions this afternoon and tonight, no important temperature changes. Friday cloudy to partly cloudy, scattered showers in interior of east and south portions, little change in temperature. Moderate to occasionally fresh southeast winds on the coast.

West Texas: Mostly cloudy with scattered light rain this afternoon and tonight. Not quite so cold this afternoon. Friday partly cloudy and warmer.

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Nine Faculty, Staff Receive Batt Awards

UP Writer To Discuss Near East Problem

Baron Hans de Meiss-Teuffen, United Press war correspondent and world traveler, will speak on "How I, a Christian, view the Palestine Problem," Friday night at 7:30 in the YMCA Chapel, Mrs. Esther Taubenhau, sponsor of the A&M Hillel Foundation, announced today.

Baron de Meiss-Teuffen, who is being sponsored by the A&M Hillel Foundation and the YMCA, has just returned from the Middle East where he spent several years studying conditions there.

When war broke out, the baron, son of a Swiss banking family, returned to Switzerland. Joining a British convoy, he was torpedoed at sea, picked up by a British ship, and finally landed in England where he worked for the British Ministry of War Transport.

Touring the coast in a sail boat, he stopped at Corfu, Corinth, Smyrna, Cyprus, and Beirut. In Palestine he covered the country on a bicycle, working as a farmer, electrician, truck driver, and laborer to learn the Arab and Jewish conditions.

Working for the United Press, he covered the Italian-Greek War in 1940.

J. W. Robison, president of the YMCA Cabinet, and Bob Rosenthal, president of the Hillel group, will be in charge of arrangements. M. L. Gashion, secretary of the YMCA will introduce Baron de Meiss-Teuffen.

The discussion is open to the public.

Great Issues Class to Hear Industrialist

"Can Great Britain and France Recover Their Former Status as World Powers?" will be the subject of a talk by A. E. Gibson, president of the Wellman Engineering Company of Cleveland, before the Great Issues class Monday night at 8. S. R. Gammon, chairman of the Great Issues committee, announced today.

Gibson spent last summer and the early part of the fall in Western Europe, studying industrial facilities, manufacturing plants, and coal mining in detail.

He was recommended as a possible speaker for the course by Dean of Engineering Howard Barlow, Gammon said. Gibson is on his way to the West Coast, and will make this stop to address the class.

Aside from members of the class only persons invited by the committee will hear the talk, Gammon added, since the lecture room will not accommodate enough to warrant general attendance.

Boy Scouts' Court Of Honor to Meet At Consolidated

Court of Honor for the Boy Scouts of Bryan and College Station will be staged Friday night at 8:30 p. m. in the A&M Consolidated High School gym.

The ceremony will be conducted by scouts in Indian costume who are members of the Boy Scout's Leaders Course being taught at A&M under the direction of Dan Russell.

Scouts from Austin, members of Order of the Arrow, will perform several authentic Indian dances.

Presentations to be made to Bryan and College Station scouts include—Second Class Awards: Mike Barron, Jerry Reeves, Lamar Carroll, Dick Berryman, Tommy Adcock, Tom Barlow, Jerry Leighton, Charles Heaton, Roger Donahue and James Burke.

First Class Awards: William Bolmanski.

Merit Badges: Howard Berry, Home Repair; Max J. Triolo, Home Repair; Dick Berryman, Home Repair; William Bolmanski, Swimming; Albin Zak, Home Repair; James Burke, Home Repair and Swimming; Bob Barlow, Metal Work and Leather Craft; Philip Buchanan, Camping Photography and Pioneering; Gene Potts, Life Saving; Spencer Buchanan, Pioneering.

Troop 411 of College Station will be honored with the Presidential Award.

Visitors have been invited to attend the meeting.



E. V. ADAMS Director, Aggie Band



FRANK G. ANDERSON Track Coach



K. E. ELMQUIST Debating Society

Umland Winner Of Extension Rural Contest

The Umland community on the line of Hays and Caldwell Counties is winner of the rural neighborhood contest sponsored by the farmer-stockmen of Texas A&M College Extension Service, the Associated Press announced today.

The grand prize is \$1,000. Maxey of Lamar County won second prize of \$750 and Avondale of Tarrant County won third award of \$500. Tigertown of Lamar County was awarded fourth prize of \$250.

Six other communities get \$100 each. They were Slocum, Anderson County; Black Hill, Atascosa County; Antioch, Hood County; Bishop Chapel, Jasper County; Pleasant Hill, Blanco County; and M. K. Community, Hemphill County.

Judges in the contest were E. C. Martin, assistant state agent; Miss Gladys Martin, assistant state home demonstration agent, both of the extension service; Mrs. Isla Mae Chapman, chairman of the family life department, North Texas State College; and T. C. Richardson, Texas editor of the Farmer-Stockman, Dallas.

With a value of 100 to 200 points each, the following achievements were the basis of the contest: Soil conservation and improvement, home food supply, neighborhood activities and organizations, livestock improvement, crop and pasture improvement, farm and home equipment, school and educational facilities, communications, and farm buildings and fences.

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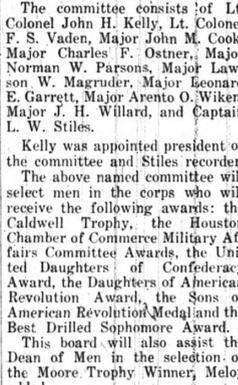
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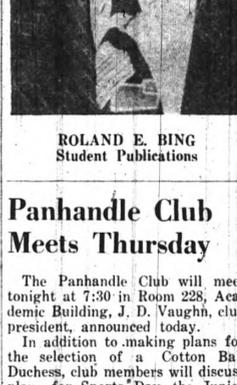
S. L. "JACK" FROST Texas Forest Service



E. E. MCQUILLEN Development Fund



ROLAND E. BING Student Publications



JOSEF STADELMANN Language Instruction

Achievement Award Winners Honored at Sbis Banquet

Nine staff and faculty members received Second Annual Battalion Awards for 1947 at a banquet held last night in Sbis Hall.

Those members of the college staff whom The Battalion editors selected for the achievement awards were: E. V. Adams, director of the Aggie Band; Frank G. Anderson, Aggie track coach; Roland E. Bing, manager of Student Publications; K. E. Elmquist, English instructor and spark-plug of debating at A&M; Virgil M. Faires, head of the management engineering department; S. L. "Jack" Frost, of the Texas Forest Service; Mrs. Ann Hilliard, hostess at the Little Aggeland Student Center; E. E. McQuillen, initiator of the Development Fund program; and Josef Stadelmann, instructor of modern languages.

The Battalion awards program was originated last year to recognize unusual achievement on the part of faculty or staff members of the college. Since A&M students who had done outstanding work were officially recognized with "who's who," it was felt that a similar means of recognition should be devised for college employees.

Winners of The Battalion awards have either done noteworthy work beyond that required by their official positions, or have carried out their professional labors with extraordinary skill and enterprise. They were selected by a special committee of The Battalion, including the two co-editors and the wire editor.

A certificate attesting to the award was presented to each winner. The citations, headed with a regular Battalion masthead, read:

The Battalion, on behalf of the students at the A&M College of Texas, extends its appreciation to:

MRS. ANN HILLIARD, for her organization and operation of the Annex Student Center and for her work in planning a social calendar at Little Aggeland.

S. L. "JACK" FROST, for exemplary work with the Texas Forest Service in publications and public relations.

JOSEF STADELMANN, for bringing a broader outlook to students with whom he has come in contact, and more specifically for instituting the teaching of Russian at A&M.

VIRGIL M. FAIRES, himself a nationally recognized technical authority, has developed the Management Engineering Department by bringing to A&M other outstanding men in this field. He has also given his wholehearted support to the Post Graduate Study plan.

E. E. MCQUILLEN, who, as executive secretary of the Former Students Association, initiated the Development Fund program for the betterment of A&M College. The Development Fund, sponsor of the Opportunity Awards program, is one of the most forward-looking steps ever taken by A&M former students.

E. V. ADAMS, Director of the Texas Aggie Band, which surpassed all previous achievements by its outstanding musical and marching performances.

K. E. ELMQUIST, who took the lead in restoring intercollegiate debate as an activity at A&M and coached the varsity debate squad.

FRANK G. ANDERSON, whose untiring devotion to the development of track at A&M has culminated in placing the college among the national leaders in this sport.

ROLAND E. BING, for encouraging increased participation on the five student publications: The Battalion, Commentator, Engineer, Agriculturist, and Longhorn. During 1947 his tireless efforts raised publications to higher standards than ever before accomplished, including daily issue of The Battalion and establishment of The Commentator.

Recipients of the First Battalion Awards were: President Gibb Gilchrist; Colonel G. S. Meloy, commandant; E. E. Vezy, of the physics department; Edgar S. McFadden, of the Experiment Station; Art Angrist and George J. Dillavou, English instructors who supervised reactivation of the Aggie Players; C. G. "Spike" White, intramural director and Larry Jene Fisher, photographer of the Forest Service.

These students were chosen in connection with the special student election to fill vacancies in the student government body. In the election Tuesday night on the campus, L. W. Hageman became representative for Dorm 14, H. R. McNeil for Dorm 16, H. V. Risen for Leggett Hall, and C. R. Mitchell for Dorm 12.

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Awards Board Will Select Honor Cadets

A board of officers to select members of the A&M Cadet Corps who will receive individual awards on Mother's Day was appointed today by Colonel Guy S. Meloy, Commandant and PMS&T.

The committee consists of Lt. Colonel John H. Kelly, Lt. Colonel F. S. Vaden, Major John M. Cook, Major Charles F. Ostner, Major Norman W. Parsons, Major Lawson W. Macgruder, Major Leonard E. Garrett, Major Arento O. Wilken, Major J. H. Willard, and Captain L. W. Stiles.

Kelly was appointed president of the committee and Stiles recorder.

The above named committee will select men in the corps who will receive the following awards: the Caldwell Trophy, the Houston Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee Awards, the United Daughters of Confederacy Award, the Daughters of American Revolution Award, the Sons of American Revolution Medal and the Best Drilled Sophomore Award.

This board will also assist the Dean of Men in the selection of the Moore Trophy Winner, Meloy added.

Individual branch awards will be (See AWARDS, Page 4)

Panhandle Club Meets Thursday

The Panhandle Club will meet tonight at 7:30 in Room 228, Academic Building, J. D. Vaughn, club president, announced today.

In addition to making plans for the selection of a Cotton Ball Duchess, club members will discuss plans for Sports Day, the Junior College Basketball Tournament, and the Easter Party.

Pictures Needed For Longhorn

"Pictures for the company snapshot section of The Longhorn are urgently needed," Henry Pate, managing editor of The Longhorn, said yesterday.

If the members of a company do not turn in enough pictures to fill their section, the pictures of other men in the corps will be used to fill the space, Pate added.

The pictures should be 3x5 inches in size, of glossy finish, and plainly marked as to the company whose activities they represent.

Records Fall As Aggie Smokers Puff Pipes In Smokey Contest

By TOM CARTER

Smoking his huge Austrian cherry-wood pipe, Kenneth C. Krenk set a heavy-weight pipe smoking record of one hour, 30 minutes and 30 seconds last night. Krenk won a \$5 pipe presented by the Cave and the Campus Corner; and also a round can of Bond Street tobacco, offered by Philip Morris & Co.

J. D. Pianta, smoking a calabash (gourd) pipe, rated second in the heavy-weight group by smoking a single pipeload for one hour 24 minutes. Victor Prassel, another calabash man, was forced to drop out with a slightly shorter record, 1 hour 19 minutes.

A new inter-collegiate record of one hour 7 and a half minutes with a standard briar pipe was set by T. A. Balmer. The old record of 64 minutes was set recently in a contest at LSU.

Art Howard with a small calabash was second with one hour one minute. Two meerschaum smokers in the standard class dropped out just before the hour was up.

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won in the short time of 27 minutes with Gibeby Kendrick Jr. second at 25 minutes. First smoker to be disqualified was Fred Whisenant, whose metal pipe went out soon after it was lit.

To make time pass more quickly some of the contestants played dominos or read newspapers. About 40 smokers were entered, and an equal number turned out to root for their favorites.

Within two minutes after the "Light Pipes" the air in the YMCA auditorium turned blue with smoke. Victor Prassel, another calabash man, was forced to drop out with a slightly shorter record, 1 hour 19 minutes.

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San Antonio taking Civil Engineering.

Balmer, who set the new record for the standard pipes, is another Air Forces veteran and a graduate student in Management Engineering. Art Howard, second place winner, is sports editor of The Battalion. A junior, he is studying architecture.

Krenk's pipe, its long stem wound about with green tassels, was the largest in the contest. Smallest pipe was the feather-weight model entered by H. S. Boone, graduate student. (It burned for 30 minutes, however.)

Other spectacular pipes entered included a Czech number smoked by C. H. Burke, and two huge Duke of Wellingtons.

As a result of interest shown in the contest, "Pipe and Java" club may be formed on the campus, according to Vick Lindley, one of the judges. The other judges were Dr. Paul J. Woods, history professor, who was in charge of the heavy-weight division, and Jim Noton, editor of The Texas Aggie, who "emceed" the standard pipe contest.

'Success Depends on Planning,' Personnel Representative Says

By BOB WEYNAND

Paul W. Boynton, industrial relations representative of the Socony-Vacuum Company, New York, told an audience filling Guion Hall yesterday afternoon that "success depends on preparation—without such preparation failure is almost certain."

For over 20-years Boynton has been doing what W. R. Horsley, director of the placement office, calls "campus beach-combing"—searching college campuses for acceptable graduates.

"No matter what we may say or think we want in life the three fundamentals we seek are happiness, peace of mind, and contentment," said Boynton. He asserted that a person should be able to find one or two jobs of the more than 20,000 cataloged that will bring him these three fundamentals.

Telling of the interest shown by graduates in foreign service, Boynton said over 5,000 companies have businesses in other countries. "Many students only apply to one or two of the more publicized companies with foreign holdings while the New York telephone directory contains 26 pages of firms dealing in foreign trade," he stated.

"Many seniors do not know how to go about getting a job. Still more do not know what they want to do," Boynton said. "In seeking a job, first know yourself. Know what you can do and what you cannot do. Knowing your abilities, capacity, and likes, then study the various types of jobs—start with accounting and study through to zoology. Libraries contain booklets describing many jobs, their qualifications, pay, advantages and disadvantages."

"An applicant often sells himself and then unseals himself because he does not know how to carry through an interview," Boynton said. "Take your cues from the interviewer, try to let him or get him to do most of the talking, but

knowing when to end the interview is important," Boynton emphasized. "Don't repeat yourself; you may unseal yourself," he warned.

Boynton is author of the book, "Six Ways of Getting a Job." Many facts in the A&M pamphlet "The Senior Sells Himself" have been taken from Boynton's book.

Reviewing the six ways of getting a job, Boynton said the best way is through your College Placement Office. Other ways are through commercial agencies—which he said are good sources—personal solicitation, friends, classified ads, and letters of introduction. Boynton warned about classified ads by saying to stay away from those having glowing promises. Ads sticking to qualifications are the most reliable, he said.

In closing, Boynton told the large group of seniors and other interested listeners to be able to express yourself both orally and on paper, get a job on your own merits and stand up on your own feet in keeping it.

Amateur Radio Club Meets Monday Night

The Amateur Radio Club will meet next Monday night at 7 in the Electrical Engineering Lecture Room, P. M. Blair, president of the club, has announced.

This initial meeting will be held for the purpose of organizing the club for the spring semester.