

U. S. SHIPS ON MOVE IN MEDITERRANEAN

ROME, July 7.—(AP)—U. S. warships in the Mediterranean were on the move yesterday.

HOLIDAY COSTS 42 LIVES IN TEXAS

AUSTIN, July 7.—(AP)—Violent death took 42 lives in Texas during the long July Fourth weekend.

WHEAT FLOOD ROLLS INTO KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, July 7.—(AP)—A 7,500,000-bushel wheat flood poured into town over the fourth of July holiday, setting a new-all time record here.

RED PLOT TO SEIZE BERLIN UNCOVERED

PARIS, July 7.—(AP)—The French Foreign Office announced today it has received from the British embassy documentary evidence of a Russian plot to drive the Western Allies from Berlin.

Similar information has come from French officials in Berlin, the Foreign office added, neither the British nor the American embassies here would comment.

CZECHS CHEER BENES IN HOLIDAY PARADE

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, July 7.—(AP)—Cheers for resigned President Eduard Benes rang through Prague Tuesday from the throats of 80,000 marchers in the Sokol Congress parade.

There were cheers also for Yugoslavia and Premier Marshal Tito, denounced recently by the communists as a heretic from the Marxist-Lenin line.

The Czechs cheered 4,000 Yugoslav sailors, boys and girls who carried a huge portrait of Tito. Cries of "Long Live Tito" resounded.

50,000 MINERS LEAVE COAL PITTS

PITTSBURGH, July 7.—(AP)—A walkout embracing 50,000 of the nation's 400,000 bituminous miners was launched Tuesday in the two leading coal states—West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Most of the idle were miners protesting lack of a contract in steel company captive mines. The rest were commercial coal diggers in Western Pennsylvania who stayed home in sympathy.

LEADERS START TALKS ON U. S. MILITARY AID

WASHINGTON, July 7.—(AP)—Western European diplomats and State Department officials talked over the question of American military help for Western Europe yesterday at a conference behind tightly closed doors.

The conference was the first of what is expected to be a long series. Officials indicated that the talks will continue here for three or four months and that no information about their progress will be made public until decisions are reached.

KAISER-FRAZER UPS PRICES ON 3 MODELS

DETROIT, July 7.—(AP)—Kaiser Frazer Corp., Tuesday announced price increases ranging from \$23 to \$169 on its Kaiser and Frazer automobiles.

The new factory list prices are: Kaiser, \$2,091, up \$124; Frazer, \$2,221, up \$169; and Frazer Manhattan \$2,573, up \$23. The Kaiser Custom Model price remains unchanged at \$2,801.

TSW PRESIDENT DELAYS RETIREMENT

CANYON, Tex., July 7.—(AP)—Dr. W. J. McConnell, president of North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, has given up his retirement plans for another year.

Dr. McConnell, who has headed the college since 1934, had turned in his resignation but the Texas State Teachers College Board of Regents, at a meeting here Monday, asked him to delay his retirement a year. He agreed to serve until the end of the 1949 summer session.

FINNISH COMMUNISTS LOSE RECENT ELECTION

HELSINKI, July 7.—(AP)—Finnish Communists said Tuesday an anti-Soviet whispering campaign stirred up by reactionaries was one of the reasons for Communist losses in the parliamentary election.

Rainfall

Approximately 3.66 inches of rain fall has fallen at College Station since June 28.



W. H. Corbusier, president of the Corbusier Chevrolet Co., Bryan, presents the keys to a new dual control driver training car to Russell Fitzpatrick of the Industrial Extension Service staff.

San Antonio Symphony Listed For 1949 Town Hall Program

The San Antonio Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Max Reiter will give its first concert at A&M next January 10 or 11, according to C. G. "Spike" White, director of Student Activities.

Last spring the orchestra completed the most successful tour in its history when it visited large and small cities throughout the South. The concerts which the orchestra presented received wide acclaim from such cities as Jacksonville, Mobile, Atlanta, Shreveport and many others.

The orchestra that will present the concert here is essentially the same organization that presented the tour concerts last spring. Reiter makes it a policy to tailor the concerts to the audience, which probably accounts for the special success of college performances.

Cleanup Discussed at Meeting Of College Station Council

Effects of the recent clean-up campaign were discussed at a meeting of the College Station City Council last night. Measures to insure future health of the community were also considered.

Garbage collection ranked high among the unsanitary conditions of the city, and definite plans were made to alleviate this condition. In cases where serious violations are noted, letters may be sent or the violators will be notified personally by the council.

The city is not unaware of its own poor disposal system, said Dean Charles N. Shepherdson, chairman of the committee on sanitary conditions. It was also pointed out that certain steps have already been taken to bring about a cooperation plan with the college whereby a piece of college property may be allocated for the erection of a disposal system to be used by both the college and the city.

In regard to the burning of trash the council insisted that the present ordinance be observed. It is unlawful at the present time to start a fire of any kind for any reason, and the council feels that due to the outbreak of grass fires in this area this ordinance will have to be enforced.

One of the main hazards in the College Station area is the dumping of raw sewage in the North Gate section by the City of Bryan. This has been the condition for some time and the council feels that since sanitary conditions in Bryan closely parallel our own, a joint sewage system may be worked out in this particular area.

It was pointed out that close cooperation by the people of College Station and surrounding areas could make the clean-up campaign a permanent thing. In the case of garbage, if the city could not pick up the trash, then it would be the responsibility of the individual to see that the garbage was disposed of.

Many people are not aware of the city's plan for the cleaning of vacant lots. If your lot is too large or you can't find the time to clean it, then notify the city, and they will arrange to have your lot mowed at a charge of \$2.50 an hour with a minimum of \$2.50.

The County Health Unit was praised for its work in helping to locate many of the most dangerous areas. A. C. Allen, who is in charge of the unit, said that as a result of the clean-up, the number of cases of dysentery has been cut in half.

FFA Speakers Will Compete Here Thursday

The Tri-State Public Speaking Contest composed of the State FFA winners from Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Texas will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Chapel Room Thursday, July 8, at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of this contest will represent the three states in the Southern Regional Contest at a time and place yet undetermined. The winner of the Regional Contest will then represent the Southern Regional at the National Public Speaking Contest to be held in Kansas City in November in conjunction with the National FFA Convention.

The speeches will be 10 minutes in length, and at the end of each speech the speaker will be asked to defend his position, as put forth in his speech, by questioning by the judges from questions formulated prior to speaking time. A maximum of 5 minutes will be used for this purpose for each speaker.

The contestants and their subjects are as follows: Jimmy Darling, Texas—"Power and Farming"

Fred Harris, Oklahoma—"Can Our Earth Feed Its People"

Woodrow Hearn, Louisiana—"Opportunity in Rural Industry"

The Judges for the contest are C. O. Spriggs, of the English Dept., A&M; W. O. Cox, General Manager of the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition, Houston, Texas; Dr. R. D. Lewis, Director of Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, College Station, and Dr. H. E. Hampton, Associate Professor, Agronomy Dept.

Jimmy Darling, from Abilene, the Texas contestant, was recently selected to serve as president of the State FFA Association for 1948-49.

Church Conference Officers Elected In Last Session

The Rev. A. J. Mohr of Bellville was re-elected president of the Rural Church Conference at the closing session held Friday morning at A&M College.

Other officers are the Rev. James S. Butler of Sweetwater, vice-president; The Rev. W. H. Andrews, Bryan, secretary and Professor Dan Russell, A&M, executive secretary.

Election of officers and acceptance of resolutions closed the third annual session of the Rural Church Conference.

Dr. Mark Rich, American Home Missions Society, New York City, told the ministers earlier, "the rural church exists in a world; it is not an isolated unit." Speaking on "The Church in Its Community," Dr. Rich said that the duty of the church is to reach the people.

"The so-called rural church problem," he continued, "is a result of failure of the church to adjust itself in the face of change. Dr. Rich observed that a church, to remain alive and alert, must be both an institution and a fellowship. "Neither by itself can make the church survive. Too many times we try to operate an institution wholly or largely on fellowship," he said.

Labor Office To Sell Lost-Found Articles Friday

Students who have lost articles in the past year and have not been able to recover them will be given until July 9 to claim them at the Student Labor Office in Goodwin Hall. George Long of the Student Labor and Donority Property Office has announced that a sale of these lost goods will be held at 2 p.m., Friday at his office in Goodwin Hall.

Included in the list of articles to be sold if not claimed earlier are: five slide rules, eight pair of leather gloves, two pair of ladies gloves, a ladies scarf, three pair of glasses, one wrist watch, a small box of glass slides with lens paper, four garrison caps, a campaign hat, a sleeveless seater, two dissecting sets, a gold evening bag, a ladies purse, one baseball glove, five leather jackets, and a loafer jacket for a small boy.

Board of Directors Meet Friday; Open Session Begins on Saturday



DR. EVERT ALBERG of Sweden will speak on agricultural problems in Scandinavia at 7:30 tonight in the Chemistry Lecture Room.

Scandinavian Will Discuss Farming Problems Tonight

Dr. Evert Alberg of Sweden will discuss conditions in the Scandinavian countries in the Chemistry lecture room at 7:30 tonight.

Dr. Alberg, now connected with the Farm Department of Iowa State College, is a graduate of the University of Uppsala, Sweden. He is an authority on barley and agriculture in general.

He will conduct two seminars Wednesday and Thursday at 3 p.m. in the conference room at the Experiment Station.

His lecture Wednesday night will be demonstrated with slides and a motion picture.

He is being brought to the college by the Agriculture Department. C. N. Shephardson, Dean of Agriculture, will preside at the lecture.

Free Fun Theme At The Grove

This week's activities at The Grove will include bingo, movies, skating, and dancing with each event scheduled for 8 p.m.

Tonight there will be a bingo party at The Grove, and the A&M softball team will meet Marlin on the new diamond.

Thursday night a movie starring Bill Boyd in "The Marauders" will be the featured entertainment.

Free skating may be enjoyed Friday night with a free dance following on Saturday night. The "Modern Downbeats" are scheduled to play for the dance.

The A&M softball team will play their second game with Marlin Saturday.

On board the U.S.S. Texas at her final resting place at the San Jacinto Battleground where some students visited safety measures were expedient. For the general safety of thousands of visitors to the old namesake of Texas, smoking on board was prohibited.

Many special guides showed visitors the workings of a battleship. Children played happily about the 14-inch guns that once blazed the way for American G.I.'s on the beach at Normandy.

25 Million Dollar Budget, Easterwood Grant, Election of Development Member on Agenda

The A&M Board of Directors will go into executive session at 7:30 p.m., Friday in the Board of Directors' Home north of Sbisah Hall. The board will hold an open session beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Important items on the agenda include a discussion of the 25 million dollar budget, approval of a money grant to Easterwood Airport from the Civil Aeronautics Authority, and hearing a proposal to increase the operating capital of the college confectionaries.

Meeting for the first time since May 10, the Board will consider the 25 million dollar budget for the coming year. The salary portion of the budget was passed during the previous meeting, but the bulk was held over until this meeting for further study.

Receive Easterwood Grant Under an earlier agreement with CAA, the College put up \$22,000 for improving Easterwood. A sum of \$20,800 is now being offered by the CAA as its share.

Under the title of land-use, the Board will discuss the land about the Campus and consider the possibilities of consolidating and moving some projects.

Utilities will come under consideration. The Board will discuss the renewal of a water contract between the City of Bryan and the College. They will also ask the City of College Station to allow the lighting facilities of Consolidated School to be added without increasing charge to the College.

New Member Elected The Board will elect a member to the Development Fund Board to replace Tyrell Bell whose term expires this year. Three Board members, six members of the Former Students, and three Faculty Members named by the Academic Council serve with several ex-officio members. The term of office is three years.

The College has been asked to prepare a central display in the State Fair. The College has not sent a major exhibit previously. State Fair officials offered free space to the College.

In connection with a bill which was passed by Congress recently, the Board will ask the Federal Project Housing Authority to transfer all rights to housing about the Campus to the College. According to the bill, the College has 120 days to make the request to FHFA.

Hear Prairie View Report The Board will hear a report from the Prairie View Trade Course Committee. The committee was set up as the result of a request that Prairie View accept responsibility of conducting all trade courses for Negroes in Houston.

Other items on the agenda include closing of the Nacogdoches Sub-Station Number 11, building another dorm at NTAC, and hearing a report from the Central Texas Farm at Reisel.

The Board will be asked to approve promotions, gifts, and grants-in-aid to the College.

U. S. ARMY OPENS NEW RADIO STATION BERLIN, July 7.—(AP)—The U. S. Military Government formally opened a new radio station in the American sector yesterday. Its American head, William F. Heimlich, said it would serve eastern Germany and Berlin as a "weapon in the fight for freedom."

The spilled paint filled Murray's shoe and a large section of the floor. Boyer almost decided to paint the whole floor brown because there was so much paint splattered around. The mess was cleaned up, however, and work resumed its normal course.

By the end of the month the lobby and all of the woodwork will present a new appearance to apartment-hunting students and lost parents. Boyer said that the furniture, which has been gathered from all corners of the campus, will be reupholstered with a maroon-colored plastic.

The entire decorations will cost less than \$100. The only work being done by outsiders is the furniture upholstery, which will take \$75. Everything else is being taken care of by the employees of the Housing Office. If any money is left, Boyer plans to have the walls of the office refinished.

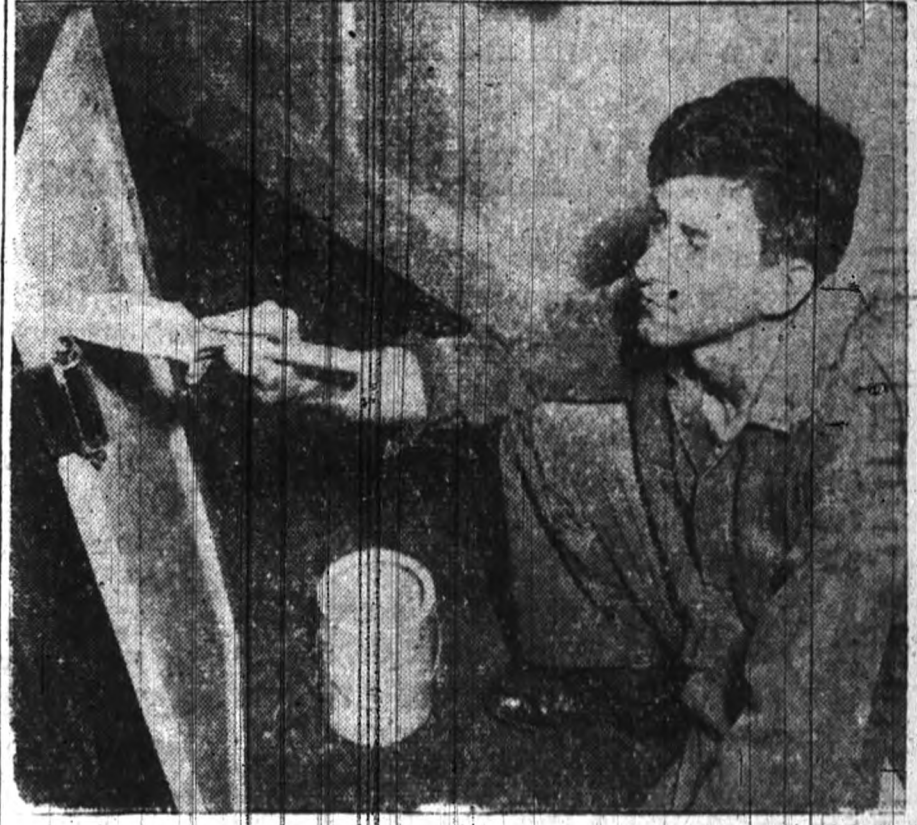
The question that remains is how can a person relax and be comfortable while standing in line?

Asa Holleman Will Marry In Dallas

Miss Billie Frances Carpenter, 1906 Mary Dale Drive, Dallas, will become the bride of Ex-Yell Leader Asa Holleman September 18.

Announcement of the engagement was made Saturday at a luncheon given by the bride-elect's mother at her home.

Miss Carpenter was graduated from Sunset High School and attended Christian College, Columbia Mo. Holleman, a Graduate of Adamson High, received his degree here this June.



ALLEN MADELEY of the Housing Office assumes the Rembrandt-like pose (above) for a Batt photographer. Madeley is helping with the facilitating going on in the Housing Office.

Housing Office Gets New Look Through Cooperative Efforts

Man's desire to be a jack-of-all-trades created an uproarious situation recently when members of the Housing Office decided to decorate the outer lobby of Room 100, Goodwin Hall.

Harry Boyer, chief of housing, thought that people should have a place to relax and be comfortable while they waited in line. His staff was in full agreement (or nearly so) and wanted to help in the proposed project.

Everyone fell to with a will, scraping the woodwork and cleaning the walls in preparation for painting. The resulting upheaval of furniture and paint pots was kept as orderly as possible, but the cluttered room turned out to be a booby trap in disguise.

Into the bustling confusion and chaos rushed Bob Murray, assistant director of Student Affairs, intent upon a matter of utmost importance. Little did he know what was in store for him. The speed of his progress and the cuff on his trousers caused him to tangle with a bucket of brown paint. The resulting gyrations of bucket and man looked like a primitive version of an Indian dance.

Those voters who are leaving town before the Democratic primary on July 24 may still cast ballots by visiting the office of their County Clerk and voting in his presence.

Voters unable to appear in person at the County Clerk's office can obtain an absentee ballot by writing and requesting one. Voters are cautioned to enclose a poll tax receipt or exemption certificate or to specify their precinct number.

In order for an absentee vote to be counted it must be cast in the presence of a notary public and be in the mails before a date set by the county in which it will be tallied. The deadline for absentee voting in Brazos County is July 20.

Absentee ballots may be cast in Brazos County July 6-20, according to the County Clerk's Office. Brazos County voters can get absentee ballots at any time during that period but other voters are advised to find out when the deadlines are in their own counties.

The poll tax must be paid or an exemption certificate secured before a citizen is eligible to vote in the primary election on July 24th, or the general election November 2nd.

Vets to Repay VA For Unused Time

A veteran must now arrange to restore to the VA the amount pertaining to the unused period if he interrupts his training during a semester, according to an announcement by the Veterans Administration.

Movie-Reviewer Needed By Batt

A student is needed to write movie reviews for The Battalion. Roland Bing, manager of student publications, announced today. Anyone interested should contact Bing in Room 211, Goodwin Hall.