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NEWS In Brief

RAYBURN PREDICTS PRESIDENT PAY BOOST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 —(AP)— Speaker Rayburn predicted Tuesday that congress will act before Jan. 20 to give President Truman more pay—or at least to increase “the emoluments of his office.” Rayburn said Mr. Truman has only \$4,200 left out of his \$75,000 salary each year to clothe himself, his wife and daughter after taxes, food bills, and other expenses.

JOE LOUIS SUES LOOK MAGAZINE

CHICAGO, Jan. 5 —(AP)— Champion Joe Louis sued Look Magazine for \$500,000 yesterday alleging he was libeled in the current issue by statements about his financial condition. His attorney, Truman K. Gibson, Jr., said Louis declared he was not interviewed by any representative of the magazine before the article was published and that no interviews were given by his manager or the treasurer of Joe Louis Enterprises, Inc.

The superior suit claims the article stated untruthfully that Louis is always broke, insolvent and owes \$175,000 in back income taxes.

GAS COMPANY HAS WRANGLE WITH NAVY

FORT WORTH, Jan. 5 —(AP)— Fort Worth's \$180,000 Naval Reserve Training Center, completed since December 1, remained unused today because the Navy and the Lone Star Gas Company had not completed a gas contract.

The holdup in the contract was a clause prohibiting racial and color discrimination among employees of the contracting company and any firms that supply it. Submitted by the Navy, the non-discrimination clause was rejected by the Gas Company. Negotiations were conducted by the 8th Naval District in New Orleans, and the company last heard from the officers there Oct. 11.

In the meantime the Navy Reserve is continuing its offices in temporary quarters at Municipal Airport.

TWO MEN QUESTIONED IN PHANTOM SLAYINGS

DALLAS, Jan. 5 —(AP)— Police today questioned two men in connection with the slaying of five persons at Texarkana in 1946. One was a Negro held at Waco and the other was an 84-year old man under arrest in Dallas. Ranger Capt. M. T. Gonzales said the Negro at Waco, held in a double slaying there, will be questioned in the Texarkana cases. The Negro formerly lived at Texarkana.

Dallas officers arrested the aged white man when he called at a downtown post office to pick up a pension check. He told detective D. O. Chimer he had just got out of a Texarkana hospital.

The police arrest sheet said he was wanted for questioning in Oklahoma but there were no further details. Madril, Oklahoma, officers sought his whereabouts.

MATAMOROS CANDIDATE HELD IN LOCAL JAIL

MATAMOROS, Mexico, Jan. 5 —(AP)— Cruz Villarreal, Agrarian party candidate for mayor of Matamoros in the recent election, was held in jail today.

Villarreal was held in connection with a probe of distribution of printed leaflets for the induction of Mayor Ernesto Elizondo. Officers charged the leaflets incited violence.

One Matamoros policeman was killed by gunfire the day before the Elizondo inauguration. Several suspects were arrested in a Brownville, Texas hotel.

QUEEN MARY DELAYS SAILING ONCE MORE

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., Jan. 5 —(AP)—Sailing of the damaged liner Queen Mary for New York was postponed yesterday for another 24 hours.

A Cunard Line official said the decision not to sail was made because a 120-ton temporary concrete patch deep in the hull of the vessel had not hardened sufficiently.

More than 200 workmen had labored all night to repair damage done when the giant ship ran aground at Cherbourg Saturday.

BROWNSVILLE FRUIT SHED IS DESTROYED

BROWNSVILLE, Jan. 5 —(AP)— Fire damaged the tomato packing shed of the Valley Fruit Company north of Pharr \$200,000 Tuesday. The blaze still was burning last night but was under control. It started late Monday and the origin is not known.

Fire departments of Edinburg, Pharr, McAllen and San Juan battled the blaze for hours.

WEATHER

East Texas — Partly cloudy this afternoon and tonight; slightly colder in south and central portions tonight; Thursday fair, not quite so cold in west portion in afternoon; fresh northerly winds on the coast becoming variable Thursday.

West Texas—Fair and continued cold this afternoon and tonight. Thursday fair and not quite so cold.



Winners of the annual slide rule contest were announced recently. They are left to right STEPHEN R. ROKKE of Sioux Falls, S. D., BOB CHAPMAN of Houston, DAVE FOLZENLOGEN from Dallas, CHARLES SCOETTLIN from Port Arthur, and KENNETH STOUT from Sherman.

Spring Social Calendar For Remainder of School Year

February 5.....	Newman Club
February 11.....	Freshman Ball
February 12.....	Military Ball
February 19.....	Architect's Ball
March 5.....	Veteran Battalion Ball
March 19.....	Cattlemen's Ball
March 26.....	"T" Association Dance
April 1.....	Junior Prom
April 2.....	All College Dance
April 8.....	Sophomore Sweetheart Ball
April 9.....	All College Dance
April 22.....	Senior Ring Dance
April 23.....	All College Dance
April 29.....	Cotton Pageant and Ball
April 30.....	All College Dance
May 7.....	All College Day
May 8.....	Mother's Day Program
May 14.....	Hillel Club
***June 2 or 3.....	Final Ball

***Final Ball will be the night preceding the final review. (Note: the March 5 date noted for the Veteran Battalion Ball is tentative.)

Wardell to Conduct Initiation Ceremonies for Phi Eta Sigma

Dr. M. L. Wardell, grand historian of Phi Eta Sigma of the University of Oklahoma, will conduct initiation ceremonies for the A&M Chapter today at 5 p. m. in Sbsia Hall.

Sixty-five eligible sophomores, in addition to three honorary members, will participate in the ceremonies. Elmo Livingston of Kilgore is senior adviser.

Honorary members— President F. C. Bolton, Dean of Arts and Sciences M. T. Harrington, and Dr. J. P. Abbott, dean at the Annex and faculty adviser—will be initiated at the beginning of the evening.

Following the initiation at 7 p. m. the banquet will be served in the large dining room. Wardell will present a history of the society after the banquet.

Dean Arno Nowotny, faculty adviser for Phi Eta Sigma at the University of Texas, and five charter members of the TU chapter will assist Wardell with the ceremonies. Also Wesley W. Smith, instructor in the A&M ME Department, will participate in the ceremonies.

Prospective chapter members will convene in Sbsia Lounge at 5 p. m. L. V. Massengale, chapter president, said. While waiting, each student will fill out a membership blank which will be provided by James Pianta, chapter secretary.

A&M Pistol Team Ties Coast Guard Academy in Match

The A&M pistol team tied the Coast Guard academy pistol team in the shooting matches ending December 18. Lt. Col. F. R. Swoger, team instructor, announced. Each team scored 1348 points, but the sixth man of Academy team beat the sixth man of the Aggies to give the Academy the edge.

Members making up the Aggie team and their scores were John V. Alto, 285; P. O. Silben, 270; D. T. Gentry, 269; E. F. Smith, 264; Sam W. Smitah, 260, and T. D. Benefield, 259.

Total scores made by other teams are Colorado A&M, 1318 points, and Princeton 1222 points. Ohio State University participated in the match too, but its score is not yet known, Swoger said.

World Events Talk Slated In Assembly Hall

Colonel E. L. Poland, assistant chief of staff, Headquarters Fourth Army, will give an illustrated lecture, "Whats Happening in the World Today," in the Assembly Hall, January 11 at 7:30 p. m.

The talk, the first of a series of lectures on international affairs and scientific developments scheduled by the Military Department for the winter months, will aim to assist students piece together world wide military and political conditions.

With thirty years of army service, Col. Poland has attended the Infantry School, Chemical Warfare School, and Command and General Staff School, and has served a tour as instructor in the Coast Artillery School. His tours of duty include Panama, Hawaii, and Korea. During the war he was Chief of Staff of the 90th Division.

The lecture will also serve as the regular meeting of the Brazos County ROA, 479th Composite Group, 305th Air Reserve Group and the Naval RONs Chapter. The Thursday meetings of these groups will not be held. Those attending the lecture will receive credit for inactive duty service points.

The meeting will be open to members of the faculty and staff, reserve officers and other citizens of the community.

Everything But Baby Kissing . . .

Yearbook Editor Fights Blood, Sweat, Tears, But Being A Politician Helps

By EARL ROSE

At the close of the spring semester each year there are many who begin to pat people on the back, pass to the free gab, and begin what has been termed "politicking."

As the ballots are printed and the deadline ends for applicants, Joe Politico surveys his past friend and new rivals. Together these rivals aided in all that went into the Yearbook of this year. But did one aid the other now? In most cases the answer was "no" . . . each had his own ideas about next year's annual, and if elected to the editorship he could be assured of seeing these ideas in the new yearbook.

"Joe Politico Elected Editor of YEARBOOK." These headlines heralded the Politico victory. This new school year beginning in September would find Joe Politico as the editor of "more than he asked for."

No longer resolved to linger until the very last minute to make plans for the yearbook, Joe begins in June to do what many Aggie have done; he begins to cogitate. July and August find him still cogitating. "Now to put down on paper all these ideas," beams Joe as he arrives on the campus two whole days before registration.

The HEAD of student publications meets with Joe and the two go over the new editor's ideas for the school publication. "Oh, you mean there is only so much money to spend for the book, Mr. HEAD, and I need to put my ideas in a

more concrete form? Yes sir! Dummy?" And the HEAD explained to Joe that he wasn't talking about the red-faced editor but about the rough outline of the complete book.

"This will be needed so that the printer and engraver will have an idea on how to bid for the privilege of working on his great ideas," said the HEAD.

Amazed at how much this HEAD seemed to know, but determined that, HEAD or no HEAD, this was to be his yearbook and his ideas were to be incorporated with the 560 pages, Joe shuffled out of the office.

Last year's class pictures, clubs, and cussing occurred about this same time. Did Joe answer the same question 100 or 101 times today? He really didn't remember. He did remember that the HEAD had suggested that to avoid misunderstandings he should arrange a definite schedule and follow it. Before he lost all patience, Joe printed a schedule. The HEAD had also mentioned a staff, but of course Joe knew he would need a staff because he was on last year's staff.

So a staff was born to help Politico follow the schedule and abide by the dummy the HEAD had talked about as being essential to editing the Yearbook. Joe eliminated a lot of the cussing because of his efficiency. "EFFICIENCY, ah . . . I must be doing a wonderful job because things are so efficient," thought Joe to himself as he leaned back in the swivel chair and gazed into space. But from that space came this HEAD

through the doorway. "Now to tell him of my efficiency . . . the staff has followed the schedule and we, we . . . uh, unuh, unuh, well . . . yes, now BUT . . ."

560 pages were too many, the size of the Senior's Section would have to be reduced, need to get more to a page, the cost is much more than anticipated . . . cut it. These and a few other comments had left him once again "red faced".

But, Joe sorta followed the suggestions of the HEAD and discovered that the yearbook would look just as attractive, much to his surprise.

Did someone say school? Yes, Joe was still in school but his grade point ratio was in direct proportion to the time he spent in his office. If you remember seeing a glassy-eyed individual on the campus before the C quizzes, that was our boy Politico. The Christmas holidays meant much to him, mainly recuperation.

New Year's Resolutions? Sure, Joe made his share. At the very top of his resolutions was "To do my best to understand what goes on in HEAD's head and give him less worry about my efficiency."

The yearbook was beginning to take definite shape when the Vanity Fair pictures were sent to the Groaner. The Groaner would select the six who would appear in the beauty section of the annual. And of course Joe knew his favorite girl friend would be among the six, although the HEAD had insisted upon the final selection resting with Mr. G. Joe remembered New Year's resolution number one.

Pictures were all in, copy on the way to the printer and engraver, final cover arrived, and a letter, from Mr. G. was on its way. Yes, Joe was sure efficient. "I guess I have my staff to thank for this splendid work," mumbled Politico.

Joe was wondering how he could show his appreciation to his staff for the yearbook work when HEAD stalked in unannounced. (Politico had left word with the boys near the door to whistle when HEAD stuck his head in . . . Joe thought he always had it in). Banquet? Keys? Was this the same HEAD who was always giving him unwanted advice and was so caustic about the progress of the yearbook?

May the umpteenth was the day set by the two for the banquet, at which time the keys were to be awarded to the staff. Joe was learning something. He thought, "efficiency by the staff, a dummy and schedule might have helped; yes, I guess HEAD is giving the keys and banquet for a job well done on the yearbook . . . and you know, the HEAD has given me a lot of good ideas."

All hands enjoyed the banquet, the final material for Joe's book had been sent to the printers. Jane wasn't a beauty but he wasn't going with her now anyway, so all was serene. After the banquet, one of the junior editors patted Joe on the back, offered him a cigar and asked, "Politico" how about throwing your support towards my candidacy before you graduate?"

This is where I came in . . . edit a yearbook? . . . Not me!

Students Will Vote on Change Of Yearbook Name Tomorrow

New College Station Bank Building Will Be Erected

By GEORGE CHARLTON
Prospective bank robbers may be forced to cross College Station off their lists because down here a bigger and stronger bank building is being planned.

To be constructed of brick and concrete, the new College Station State Bank building will stand 40x60 feet on the old location with a exterior conservative and an interior composed of one large room and a mezzanine with a ladies lounge and room for storage.

Final plans for the construction are now being completed by Phil Norton, College Station architect, and bids will be opened about January 20. Within 10 days of acceptance, construction will begin and will be completed, possibly within ninety days.

Definite plans have not yet been made for a location at which to transact business while construction is underway.

The bank which was chartered in 1945, opened business transactions on July 1, 1946, with slightly over 100 stockholders, \$50,000 in capital stock and \$15,000 paid-in surplus.

At approximately the same time bids were opened for construction of the present building, the government placed restrictions on all commercial buildings which had not been started and construction had to be halted.

The three huts housing the bank at present were purchased soon afterwards as one of two alternatives. The other alternative was to close down completely.

Instructors include Jim F. Moss, C. Earl Mays, O. K. Irvine and L. P. Reiss, all of Dallas; R. A. O'Neill, Corpus Christi; Ralph H. Irvine, Palestine and W. C. Durant of Kansas City.

Kiwanis President Outlines Program For Coming Year

An outline of the objectives for 1949 for the College Station Kiwanis club was given to the members at their luncheon Tuesday by Ralph Steen, president of the organization.

Aggressive citizenship will be the theme of the club's activities this year, Steen said.

"I would like for you Kiwanians to report on any civic work you do, whether it be for the club or not," he urged. He stressed the importance of attendance and asked that committees make their reports on time in the coming year.

Steen said that it would be an object of the club to do more work and spend less money this year. He pointed out several projects the club had just completed saying, "it fell to the lot of the club last year to make expenditures for those projects."

A&M's Great Issues course, open to seniors who have a total of 90 credit hours, will be repeated on a larger scale during the approaching semester. Nearly twice as much money will be spent in bringing competent speakers to lecture to the class as was spent for the same purpose in 1948.

Those seniors who plan to take Great Issues next semester will need to keep an occasional Monday or Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock free," Dr. S. R. Gammon, head of the department, warned, "as most of the eight visiting speakers are available at that time only." Where that hour is used by a speaker it will replace one of the course's morning hours, Gammon added.

Among those from the campus who will attend committee and council sessions and hear Notre Dame Coach Frank Leahy speak at the dinner are Howard W. Barlow, dean of engineering; Daniel Russell, professor of sociology; Donald D. Burchard, professor of journalism; and Lee Paine, professor of agricultural economics.

Others from the Bryan area who will attend are District Chairman E. R. Bryant, M. E. Adams, Jack Linn, D. C. Jones, Norman Halbrook, Gordon Gay and Guy Deaton.

The session will get under way with committee meetings at 4:30, followed by the general council business meeting at 5:30. Registered Scouters, Cubbers, their guests and families will attend the 6:30 dinner at the Rice Hotel.

TROOP WITHDRAWAL DENIED SHANGHAI, Jan. 5 —(AP) Vice Admiral Oscar C. Badger today denied American forces were being withdrawn from China.

Slips Will Contain Twelve Names; Possibility of Three Ballots Seen

The election to determine whether a majority of the student body wish to change the name of the annual will be held Thursday night. In addition to containing the question of whether a name change will be made before the students, the ballot will have 12 proposed new names for the voters to consider. If a majority favor a change, the votes cast for the proposed names will decide what the new name will be.

Election procedure was outlined in a Student Life Committee resolution adopted on December 13. The first part of the ballot will offer the voter a choice of whether he desires a change or not. The second part of the ballot will enable the student to express a preference for one of the 12 proposed names if a change is desired by a majority of the voters.

A new name would have to receive over 50 per cent of the votes cast before it would be adopted. If a new name is to be used and none of the 12 on the ballot receive the required majority, a run-off election will be held the first of next week. The ballot for such a run-off election would include the 3 names which poll the highest number of votes in the first election plus any other names which poll as much as 20 per cent of the votes.

If a majority still has not been received by any name, a third election will be held the last part of next week. The two names which receive the highest number of votes in the second election would be placed on this third ballot and the winning name would become the new name for the annual.

The 12 proposed names which appear on the ballot were submitted under the conditions set up by the Student Life Committee resolution. They are The Final Review, Reveille, Final Review, Review, Twelfth Man, Bonfire, Spirit, The Aggielder, Spirit of Aggield, The Spirit, The Aggieton, and Aggieldand 1949. In the case of Aggieldand 1949 the year would change annually and remain up to date.

The election will be conducted under the supervision of the Student Senate Election Committee with Student Senators cooperating with the dorm housemasters in polling the vote. Ballots will be distributed in the dorms Thursday evening and will be taken up the same night.

Only day students and other students not living in the dorms will use the ballot provided in today's Battalion. The ballot appears on the last page and will appear tomorrow. Students at the Annex will use The Battalion ballot only if they do not live in the Annex barracks. Unmarried Annex students living in the barracks will be provided other ballots Thursday.

Administration 405, Great Issues, again will be offered to A&M students for the second semester by the History Department. The course is slated for Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a. m.

The Great Issues course was first offered at the request of the senior class of 1948. It is organized as nearly as possible after the pattern of the course given by Dartmouth College as a six semester hour course for the entire session of 1947-48.

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Animal Husbandry Department Will Receive Painting

A painting of George W. Barnes, noted animal husbandman in Texas, will be presented to the Animal Husbandry Department this afternoon at 4 p. m. in ceremonies in the Animal Industries Building.

Mrs. Barnes will present the painting of her husband to Dr. J. C. Miller, head of the Animal Husbandry Department. Painted by Mrs. Barnes, the picture shows her husband with a baby beef steer.

Barnes is a 1911 graduate of A&M and is district agent for the Extension Service at Fort Stockton. He was an instructor at Oklahoma A&M, livestock specialist at the University of Arizona, and manager of the Perrin Land-Cattle Company in Seligman, Arizona before joining the Extension Service in 1923.

From 1930-32 he was on leave of absence from the Extension Service to serve on the US Department of Agriculture Farm Board in Washington D.C.

Vaughn Monroe To Name Vanity Fair Lassies for Annual

Vaughn Monroe, the dance band leader, will select the six beautiful girls to be placed in the Vanity Fair section of the yearbook, Earl Rose, co-editor of the Longhorn, said today.

Pictures of the candidates have been sent to Monroe and include formal and informal full-length and head and shoulders shots.

Monroe will present his selections in connection with his show to be held February 12 in Guion Hall. Prior to the show there will be a supper for Monroe, the girls and their dates.