

FOUR BRITISH PLANES SHOT DOWN BY ISRAEL
TEL AVIV, Israel, Jan. 10 —(AP)—The Jewish Air Force and anti-aircraft shot down at least four British planes over the still sputtering Egyptian front, Israel announced Sunday.
(The British said five planes were missing from missions Friday, and accused the Jews of shooting them down. A "strong protest" is being lodged with Israeli representatives at the United Nations, the foreign office said in London, and the air ministry said that as a result of the "unprovoked attack" orders had been given its pilots to regard all Israeli aircraft encountered over Egyptian territory henceforth as hostile.)

SYMINGTON SAY US READY FOR ATTACK
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 —(AP)—The National Military establishment is ready with a plan if another "Pearl Harbor" is attempted anywhere in the world.
This was disclosed today in the annual report of air force secretary Symington.
"By agreement among the three services, approved by the Secretary of Defense," he said, "an operational plan has been formulated for all present armed resources of the country—land, sea and air—for any near-term emergency use that may be required."
"This is a 'first' in the peacetime history of the United States."

FIGHTING REPORTED WELL INTO TIENTSIN
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10 —(AP)—A message from Associated Press Correspondent Spencer Moosa in Peiping said Sunday pro-government dispatches reported the Communists had "penetrated into several points well within the city limits of Tientsin."
The message came in the form of a correction to a dispatch which Moosa said had been censored. The dispatch itself has not yet been received by the A. P.'s San Francisco cable desk.
It was the first time that Moosa's dispatches showed interference by Chinese government censors in Peiping, although foreign correspondents were advised Dec. 31 that censorship was being imposed.
Harold K. Milks in Nanking had reported an abrupt cessation of fighting around Tientsin. He said this led to speculation a deal had been worked out for surrender of the city, the commercial hub of North China.
Moosa's message said his previous dispatch "should read: Pro-government reports said Reds penetrated into several points well within city limits of Tientsin repeat Tientsin et cetera."
"Censor deleted opening sentence mentioning Tientsin. This is to avoid any confusion as to where events described occurred."

GUN FIGHT WOUNDS FOUR NEAR DENTON
DENTON, Jan. 10 —(AP)—Charges of assault with intent to murder Sheriff Ones Hodges were filed Saturday against Joe A. Goforth, 26, following a shooting that resulted in the wounding of four men at Krum, Texas.
Sheriff Hodges was in a Denton hospital and attendants said he had lost the sight of his right eye from a gunshot wound. The attendants said they probably can save his left eye.
The other critically wounded man, J. M. Chism, Krum, painter, showed improvement today. He was shot in the back and head. Others wounded were Deputy Sheriff Joe Hutcheson and Goforth.
The shooting started without warning on the main street of Krum, a small town near here which has 750 population. Chism was shot with a shotgun. Goforth then ran into a barbershop.
As Sheriff Hodges and Deputy Hutcheson approached to arrest him, they both were shot. Hutcheson in the hand. Goforth ran from the barbershop and a number of citizens and officers gave chase and a running gunfight developed. Goforth was shot in the face.
He was captured by his brother, Clarence, 23, who ran between officers and the fugitive and threw his arms around his brother and held him until officers arrived.
County Atty. W. K. Baldrige said Goforth had signed a statement saying he was mad at the barber, D. P. Windle, "because he (Windle) was a Democrat and I'm a Republican." Windle left through a window of the shop when Goforth pointed his gun at him.

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Yearbook Runoff Slated Tuesday

'Aggieland 1949' and 'Final Review' Top Aggies' Choice for Annual Name

Tuesday night students will cast their ballots in the first runoff election concerning the name of the A&M yearbook. In Thursday's election students cast 4,412 votes with 2,930 in favor of a change and 1,482 against the change.

Only three of the proposed names will appear on this second ballot. These three names are AggieLand 1949, Spirit of AggieLand, and Final Review. None of the names besides AggieLand 1949, received more than 20 percent of the total vote, so only the three names polling the highest number of votes will be included. All the vote totals are now complete since the Dorm 6 ballots were turned in Friday afternoon after the news story on the election had already been released. Dorm 6 voted for the change 96 to 78. AggieLand 1949 topped the list of proposed names in the dorm with 29 votes; Spirit of AggieLand and The Final Review each received 13 votes.

The only error in the Friday story of the election returns was the statement that "a change was voted for in Dorm 10 by 102 to 48." The sentence should have read "was voted against" since Dorm 10 was one of the two dorms to favor retaining the name of The Longhorn, Milner being the other.

AggieLand 1949 topped the vote getters with 952 tallies, 315 more than the next highest name and 22 percent of the total vote. Second most popular name was Spirit of AggieLand with 637 votes, 14 percent of the total number cast. Final Review edged Reveille for the third spot on the run-off ballot with 495 votes to Reveille's 481. Thus the No. 3 choice polled 11.2 percent of the total and the No. 4 name received 10.9 percent.

Actually Final Review was probably more popular than these figures indicate since the slightly different name of The Final Review received 283 votes. If only one of the names had appeared on the ballot, the total of the two (778) might have been cast for that name.

If any of the three names receives a majority of the votes cast in the run-off Tuesday, it will become the new name of the Aggie annual. A third election will be held at the last of the week if the Tuesday voting does not produce a winner. Only the top two names would appear on this third ballot if it is needed.

Based on figures released recently, which gave the college enrollment as 8,179 students on January 1, the 4,412 votes mean that almost 54 percent of the students cast ballots. The voting percentage for students living in main campus dorms was 75 percent, much higher than the overall average. Day students cast only 32 ballots.

A ballot for non-dorm students appears on the last page of The Battalion and must be mailed or brought before 5 p. m., Tuesday to the Student Activities Office. Ballots in the dorms will be distributed Tuesday evening and will be collected by 10 p. m., by the student senator in each dorm.

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Dean Pearson Granted Leave For Research

Dr. Paul B. Pearson, Dean of the Graduate School and Head of the Biochemistry and Nutrition Department, has been granted a leave of absence by the Board of Directors, to organize the research program in the field of animal sciences for the Atomic Energy Commission.

In his new job at Washington, D. C., Dr. Pearson will work in the division of biology and medicine of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Specifically, his work will center around the use of isotopes in biological studies and the effect of radiation on animals. The laboratories in which research will be conducted include Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island; Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn.; Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago; Hanford Works, Richland, Wash., and the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

A number of universities and colleges will participate in work under the sponsorship and support of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Dr. Pearson was named head of the biochemistry and nutrition department and dean of the graduate school in 1947.

Pearson is a native of Oakley, Utah, and has been an instructor in the animal husbandry department of Montana State College.

He joined the Animal Husbandry by Town Hall season tickets only, staff of A&M in 1937 and was appointed director of student activities, 1942.

A prospective program for the



JOSEPH F. HOLICK . . . from bandmaster to boot-maker, creator of the Senior boot. (See story below.)

San Antonio Symphony Will Perform in Guion Tonight

The San Antonio Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Max Reiter will appear in Guion Hall tonight at 8.

This musical group, which has been ranked second among major US orchestras in the percentage of American works performed during a concert season, will be the third Town Hall performance of the season.

No tickets will be sold at the Guion box office; admission will be according to Grady Elms, assistant director of student activities, 1942.

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Oceanography Department Will Be Established Here

By CHUCK MAISEL

The Board of Directors Saturday granted authority to the President and Chancellor to negotiate with the proper authorities for establishment of a Naval ROTC unit at A&M. The plan voted by the Board will offer all 3 branches of service in a coordinate program.

This action was recommended by President F. C. Bolton after correspondence with 15 other land grant colleges that now offer the three branches of service.

And So There I Was . . .

Who Is A&M's Champion Liar?

By FRANK CUSHING

The long abused and often condemned art of lying is about to become a laudable feat at A&M again. In line with its many efforts to increase the Aggies' intellects through contests, sic "The Ugly Man," "Pipe Smoking," "The Battalion is about to initiate another memorable one, Truth will take a back seat as the "Battalion Tall Tales Contest" enters the scene.

Too long have skillful storytellers been frustrated in their search for an appreciative audience. Deplorable is the number of ingenious tales which have been wasted on the deaf ears of professors alone. As the revered and touching proverb points out, "Every dog will have his day." That day has at last arrived.

Fond expectations are held that the competition in this event will

be even more spirited than that found in the contests of the past. To insure a maximum amount of entries, the rules are few. No coupons are necessary. You need not even rip off the top of your roommate to clip to your story. One lie, be it long or short, is all you need to bid for the title of "Biggest Buller of the Brazos Bottoms."

Surely every self-respecting Aggie is well equipped for such a verbal battle. Everyone should be in perfect condition after the strenuous training called for in a nightly bull session.

The stories do not have to be complicated or lengthy. For example, one might be told of the Aggie who never cheated. Also suitable would be a narrative concerning a student motorist who never witnessed the writing of "He came to see me . . ." upon his auto registration form.

Originality should be sought for. However, it is not an absolute restriction of the contest. The tall tale may deal with any imaginable subject from fickle women to faithful dogs. Members of the Batt staff cannot enter the contest. They will be the impartial judges.

The top three entries will be given prizes. The winner will receive an impressive-looking, framed citation which will be a permanent record of his achievement. This certificate is guaranteed to brighten the wall of any room. Hung among the usual collection of pinups, it certainly will catch the eye of all.

Those winning second and third place honors will be awarded L. H. Stern Monogrammed pipes as their proof to the world of artistic lying.

All entries should be mailed or brought to the Battalion office, 201 Goodwin Hall. The creator's name should be on each story. Wednesday, January 19, marks the closing day of the contest. Students may enter as many tall tales as they desire. Selected ones will be printed daily until the completion of the contest.

Here is your opportunity to make your mark in the world; don't waste it. Dust off an oft-used excuse or create a new story for the occasion. Which ever you do, enter "The Battalion Tall Tales Contest" at once.

Consider the honor that will go with winning this contest. Perhaps in a short time you may modestly inform the home folks that they may now refer to you as the "Biggest Buller in Brazos Bottoms." Ah, the glory of it all!

'49 Summer Camp Students Must Be Immunized Now

All contract R.O.T.C. students who will complete 2 semesters of their contract on or about June 1, 1949 and who are scheduled to attend ROTC summer camp in 1949 are required to be immunized against small pox, Col. H. L. Boatner, commandant, said today. Arrangements have been made with the college hospital to immunize students between the hours of 3 and 5 p. m. on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Failure of any student to secure vaccination at the scheduled time will of necessity result in the individual's having to be immunized by a civilian physician at the expense of the student, Boatner said.

AVMA Slates Talk By Veterinarian

"Small Animal Practice" will be the subject of a talk by Dr. R. E. Starnes, Dallas veterinarian, at the meeting of the Junior Chapter of the AVMA, at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Dr. Starnes is a 1931 graduate of A&M and is now operating a veterinary hospital in Dallas.

The freshman class of the School of Veterinary Medicine will sponsor the meeting.

A Department of Oceanography was established by the Board for training in the upper class and graduate level. This new department will work closely with the A&M Research Foundation in training students for future work along the Gulf Coast area.

Major fields to be studied are: Physical Oceanography, which deals with physical forms of waves and currents; meteorology which deals with weather; Chemical Oceanography, dealing with the chemistry of water; Marine biology and botany; and submarine geology.

Colonel of the Corps Bob McClure appeared before the group to invite the directors to the Military Ball here on February 12. McClure told the board that the Corps is working very hard to "repay you (the Board) as best as we know how for the break you gave the Cadet Corps two years ago." He said that the Corps was very anxious to make up for the many "headaches" they gave the Board in the spring of 1947.

An appropriation of \$25,000 was voted from the Physical Plant Extensions Fund to finance the first part of the moving of the agriculture department and divisions west of the railroad. This step is made to centralize agriculture activities and to bring together the teaching and research divisions of the school. The first moves are to be Entomology, Poultry Husbandry, Horticulture, and Dairy Husbandry, in the order named.

An additional appropriation of \$4,000 was granted to pay for the work yet to be done in the remodeling of Guion Hall. This was in addition to the original \$35,000 voted before for the project.

The Board voted acceptance of an endowed fund of \$25,000 which will provide assistance to outstanding young men in pursuing graduate work in the field of agriculture. The donor wished to remain anonymous at present.

The Board adjourned to meet again March 11 at John Tarleton at Stephenville.

A committee from the Board of Directors met with Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist Saturday morning in regard to selecting the next president of A&M. After the meeting, Gilchrist announced that at his request a similar committee was being named from the faculty. No indication was given as to who the new president will be or when a change might be expected.

Dallas Symphony To Play in Bryan Tuesday Evening

The Dallas Symphony Orchestra comes to Bryan Tuesday. The orchestra's appearance in Bryan's Stephen F. Austin High School auditorium is sponsored by the Bryan Artist Series, and is scheduled for 8 p. m.

Special interest in the concert has resulted from reports that Antal Dorati, the orchestra's world famous conductor, will leave Dallas after this season to conduct the Minneapolis Symphony. Dorati will replace Dimitri Mitropoulos who will become co-conductor of the New York Philharmonic.

Dorati's program, though not too well known to symphony patrons in this part of the country, promises to set a new vogue in audience appreciation. The program in brief includes: "Toccata in G Major" by Bach, transcribed for orchestra by Leo Weiner, Beethoven's Symphony No. 7, in A Major, Op. 92, "La Valse" by Ravel, and Respighi's "The Pines of Rome."

College Station Directors to Meet

The Board of Directors of the College Station Development Association and all Committee Chairmen will meet at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the City office.

Program of work for the year will be discussed, according to C. N. Shepardson, president of the association.

BRANIFF AIRLINES EXPANDS SOUTHWARD
DALLAS, Jan. 10 —(AP)—Braniff International Airways will extend passenger, cargo and mail service to La Paz, Bolivia, Jan. 31, president T. E. Braniff announced.



YOUNG HOLICK, together with his father, the creator of the Senior boot, operates Holick's Boot Shop at the North Gate. Since 1891, the Holicks have supplied Aggies with their favorite footwear.