

HEARNE CASE TO GO BEFORE JURY

FRANKLIN, Feb. 15 —(AP)—A grand jury convening here today is due to investigate complaints against S. B. Jones, 47, Hearne, Texas, charged in the \$81,000 hot check swindle of the First State Bank of Franklin.

Jones, an insurance man, is charged in eight complaints with swindling by worthless checks. The loss caused the First State Bank to merge, last Dec. 18, with the First National Bank of Franklin. Stockholders of the First State Bank absorbed all losses.

The First State Bank cashed worthless checks totaling \$81,000 during the Thanksgiving Day holidays last year.

Jones was arrested near Matamoros, Mexico, and returned to Texas Dec. 14. Mexican authorities found no substantial amount of money on the Hearne man when they picked him up.

Jones told a reporter in an interview: "I have at no time violated any criminal laws."

"The business in which I was engaged and the use of the funds involved was a perfectly legitimate business. Every check that I drew I had been assured by the bank against which it was drawn that it would be paid when presented."

Besides his insurance business at Hearne, Jones was engaged in operations in the Rio Grande Valley in which items such as used cars, refrigerators and barbed wire were sold in Latin-American countries.

Jones is free on bond.

JURY TO RECONVENE SOON ON SLAYER

STEPHENVILLE, Tex., Feb. 15 —(AP)—The grand jury is expected to reconvene soon to consider the case of a teen-ager charged with the holdup slaying of a filling station operator here.

The suspect is 17-year-old Robert Curtis Bagwill, who officers said confessed to the killing Jan. 28 of Crockett C. Ross.

Dan White, 47, the boy's uncle, is charged as an accomplice. Both are charged with a string of burglaries and robberies that stretch from Texas to Oklahoma. Bagwill was transferred here Sunday from Vernon, where they were arrested Feb. 6. White, an ex-convict, was transferred from Vernon to Palo Pinto, where officers are trying to recover articles stolen there.

Sheriff R. E. George of Stephenville said White would be returned here later.

CONVICTION REVIEW DENIED TO MEYERS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 —(AP)—The Supreme Court yesterday refused to review the conviction of Bennett E. Meyers, retired Air Force major general, on a charge that he persuaded another man to lie under oath.

Meyers has been in jail here since March 15, 1948, serving a sentence of 18 months to five years. A district court jury convicted him of inducing Elierot H. Lamaree to testify falsely before a Senate War Investigating subcommittee.

Lamaree was wartime president of the Dayton, Ohio, company. He first told the subcommittee that Meyers had no connection with the company, which got war contracts at a time when Meyers was the Army Air Force's no. 2 purchasing officer. Later Lamaree said Meyers was the real owner of the concern.

Meyers' conviction was upheld by the U. S. Court of Appeals here by a 2 to 1 vote.

In appealing for a supreme court review, "the ex-general said his trial was a subliminal mockery, a travesty and a sham." He said the court of appeals decision upholding his conviction was "a fitting and hypocritical climax to these disgraceful proceedings."

ALVARADO CYCLONE DAMAGE ESTIMATED

ALVARADO, Tex., Feb. 15 —(AP)—This little Johnson County town counted \$50,000 damage from a powerful gust of wind which demolished a few structures, damaged others and scattered two over 10 acres of land.

The wind blew in about 3 a. m. Sunday. It passed through town in a hurry—residents said it lasted less than a minute at any one spot—traveling in a northeast to southwest direction.

Fire Chief A. L. Creswell estimated the damages.

The city was drenched with four to five inches of rain within a two hour period.

The wind knocked out windows, toppled chimneys, and interrupted utility facilities for a brief period.

A granary and tool shed belonging to E. L. Prestidge, a farmer living about one-half mile east of here, were demolished.

T. W. Hooks reported two rent houses scattered over 10 acres of land. He also said his car body and paint shop was ruined.

"The wind blew hard enough to make my well-constructed residence tremble, and we were only on the edge of it," Hooks said.

The two-story frame residence of H. P. Johnson was moved four feet off its foundation.

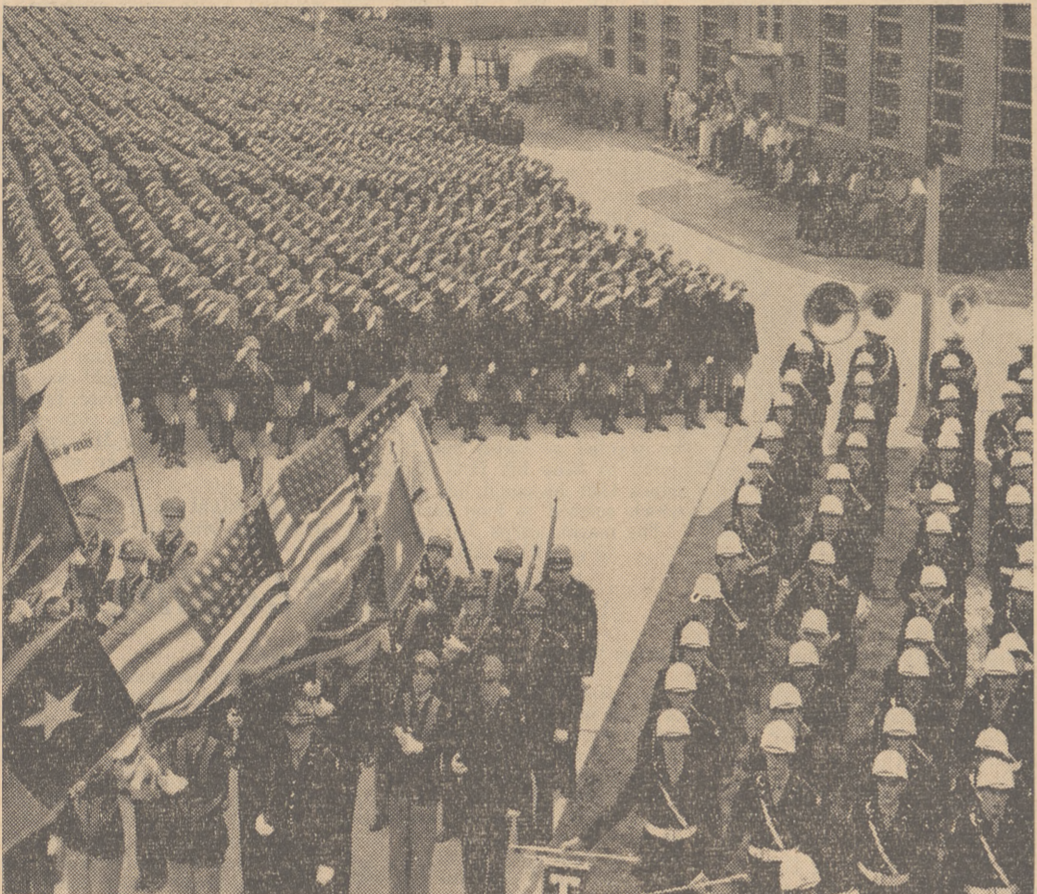
A brick building used by the Fundamental Baptist Church was practically destroyed and one 10-room residence was twisted out of shape.

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The cadet corps in mass formation in front of Duncan Hall was one of the pictures posed for Life photographers last weekend. This formation preceded the review on the main drill field.

PG Study by Mail Offered For Ph.B. Liberal Education

By TOM CARTER

The most frequent objection to the college graduates of today is that they are technically trained but socially irresponsible. They go through a rigid curriculum of scientific studies which allows almost nothing for coordinating the individual and broadening his understanding.

A hundred years ago colleges concerned themselves mainly with the study of history, language and philosophy. That sort of education turned out a number of great men.

But in the passing years new developments clamored for a place in the curriculum.

As a result scientific and technical subjects have all but replaced the humanities, and the professional curricula of today contain only a few credit hours of literature, history and human problems.

However the executives of 1949 have begun to cry out for technically trained men who also have a broad education and broad understanding. These executives realize that a knowledge of history and social thought is necessary for a man to be equal to the problems he faces.

One solution to the problem has been offered which requires students to spend three or four years in a liberal arts college before being admitted to professional schools.

This would make education highly expensive and would discourage the young man who is intent on getting a professional degree in the shortest time possible.

This young man tends to be impatient of minor excursions into fields other than his own. His lack of appreciation suggests that general education forced on an immature person may fail its purpose.

A&M's solution to the problem is to offer the broadening by a post-graduate correspondence course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, Ph.B. The courses, many of which are now available, will deal exclusively with economics, literature, psychology, sociology, geography, history and social development.

Upon completion of 36 credit hours of these studies, A&M graduates with a minimum of two years in residence for their first degree will be awarded the Ph.B. degree.

The plan's advantages lie in the fact that you study while earning your living and get the extra education at a lower cost. Post graduate correspondence studies in this series are approved by the Veterans Administration under the G. I. Bill.

The courses will probably impart special satisfaction because at his older age the post graduate student will be more appreciative of the significant factors of life than he was at the freshman or sophomore level.

Aspirants to executive status will find these courses helpful because they deal solely with humanity. They offer deeper understanding of your self, of fellow men, and of the institutions which you want to direct.

Succeeding issues of The Battalion will carry a description of the courses offered and an idea of their potential value to the graduate.

Thou Shalt Not . . .

Religious Editor Thrown In Jail

By CHUCK MAISEL

Religion is having a tough time all over. First it was Cardinal Mindszenty getting tossed into a Hungarian cooler. Now, it's hit us here at A&M.

The Battalion's religious editor, who also holds the job of Devotional Vice-president of the A&M Baptist Student Union, was thrown into jail not once, but twice, between semesters.

Al Johnston, the theological jailbird in question, started out on an innocent weekend trip to Pleasanton, Texas, little realizing the fate in store for him. He didn't even have time to write a letter to the world saying that if he confessed it would only be under torture.

Johnston decided to travel first class—hitchhiking, that is. All went well until he arrived at San Marcos. He took to the road in that Baptist city and, after time and a half had gone by, got picked up by a drunk driving a "hot rod."

The gracious host proved that he could drive rather fast, but not fast enough to outrun the state highway patrol. Al was carted back to the San Marcos city hall and for a minute it seemed that he might prepare for a life of mining salt. However, after much explaining, he was allowed to continue on his trip.

On his way back to A&M after the weekend, Johnston decided to take a quick look at the Capitol.

A-M Club to Dance In Dallas Saturday

An all-Aggie square dance under the sponsorship of the Dallas A&M Club will be held Saturday night at the Casa Linda Log Lodge in Dallas, according to George Marble, publicity chairman.

The dance, which will feature both square dancing and popular dancing, will be open to all students. It will start at 7:30 p. m.

The lodge is on Garland Road, one mile northeast of Buckner boulevard. Tickets may be obtained from Marble in Room 217, dormitory four, Marble said.

While in Austin, he set his suitcase down in front of the building and went in for a brief look around.

When he returned to get his bag, he was very surprised to notice that his suitcase had turned into a genie in a blue uniform. Closer inspection provided that it was not a genie at all—you guessed it—it was a cop.

Some questioning proved that the lost bag had been picked up and taken to the Detective Bureau either to prevent its falling into the hands of some person other than the rightful owner or to search it for pumpkins and microfilm.

For the second time in as many days, Johnston made a trip to jail where he identified his suitcase.

He says that he is glad to be back at A&M where he is not so exposed to the strong arm of the law. However, rumor has it that the speakers for Religious Emphasis week wouldn't come to A&M until they were promised immunity from the Campus Security Office. A preacher can't be too careful these days.

Rodeo Hands Form Collegiate Chapter

College rodeo hands met in the library of the A. I. Building and formed the Texas Aggie Rodeo Association. This campus organization is to be the college affiliate of the newly formed National Inter-collegiate Rodeo Association.

The chief purpose of the Aggie Rodeo Association will be to promote the sport of inter-collegiate rodeo. Membership is open to any student interested in rodeo, regardless of his major field of study.

During the first meeting of the club, the following officers were elected: Earl Guthrie, president; Maxie Overstreet, vice president; Wally Cadwell, sec-treasurer; Paul Kramer, publicity director and Sid Lanier, representative to the National Inter-collegiate Rodeo Association.

The next meeting is scheduled for 8 p. m. Monday, February 14 in the A. I. Building.

Tonight's meeting of the Agriculture Engineering Society has been called off because of Religious Emphasis week programs.

'Let's Accept The Incredible,' Advises Barbour In Address

Ring Council Fails to Reach Dance Decision

The Senior Ring Committee failed to reach any decision last evening regarding a proposed change of policy for issuing Senior Rings to all Students graduating before February 1950. After three hours the committee voted to adjourn until five o'clock this afternoon.

Posed before the Senior Ring Committee is the proposal to permit men who will graduate before February 1950 to order and receive their Senior Rings before the Senior Ring Dance on April 22. The Registrar's Office announced that mid-semester grades would not be released before the first week in April.

Heretofore, students' qualifications for receiving the ring before the Ring Dance were based upon evidence by their mid-semester grades of the spring semester that they would graduate before February of the coming year. This year there will be too little time between release of mid-semester grades and the Ring Dance for the necessary checking of each student's records preceding issue of the ring.

The Committee is now faced with selection of a fair method for issuing Senior Rings with the minimum amount of record checking. Several plans were discussed but none were considered final enough to merit a call for voting, according to Charles Kirkham.

John Zinn of the Registrar's Office estimated June graduates at 1000, August graduates 600, and January, 1950 graduates at 700. This would make 2200 men eligible to attend this year's Senior Ring Dance.

Members of the Committee present were A. D. Martin, Doyle Avant, Don Kaspar, and Charles Kirkham. Also other members present were W. L. Penberthy, E. E. McQuillen, H. L. Heaton, John Zinn, and Mrs. Bauer.

T Association Cancels Dinner

The T Association dinner scheduled for Tuesday night at the Fin Feather Club has been cancelled, according to E. J. Bilderback, president.

A meeting of the association will be held at 7:15 Tuesday night in the Hart Hall lounge.

Religious Museum To Be Shown Here

A traveling museum of items used in Jewish worship will be on display in the YMCA during Religious Emphasis Week. Mrs. Esther Taubehaus of the Hillel office, has announced. Including some pieces 300 years old, the exhibit will consist of 66 relics from all over the world.

Valued at \$6,600 the collection will be on display throughout each day in the Mother's Lounge, with representatives of the Hillel Club to guide visitors.

Outstanding parts of the display are pieces of North African and Oriental origin. Many of the items have highly decorative features as silver filigree, wood and ivory carving, and colorful illumination, Mrs. Taubehaus said.

This is the first exhibit of its type to be shown in this area.

The program committee hopes to arrange the events in such a manner that no two shows or demonstrations within the same school will occur at the same time. To make such an arrangement possible the department heads should request a time at which they would prefer to run their show, Andrew concluded.

Robert S. Weynand reported on the progress being made in securing publicity for the Open House. He commented on the possibilities of securing a Texas Quality Network on the spot broadcast for that day. Plans are also underway to take television movies which will probably be shown over the Houston and Dallas television stations. After the department heads decide which students will participate in the Open House events, personalized stories will be sent to the student's home town papers.

Local A&M clubs have been requested to send representatives to high schools in the home towns represented for the purpose of extending a personal invitation to the Open House festivities, Weynand stated.

Religious Advisor's Findings As Important As Those in Special Scientific, Technical Fields

Dr. C. E. Barbour, who yesterday announced to an audience of more than 1,000 students that he "Had arrived where every distinguished man of intelligence hopes one day to arrive—in Texas," was the main speaker at the second Religious Emphasis Week service in Guion Hall at 10 this morning.

Speaking to an audience which filled the lower floor of the auditorium and spilled over into the balcony, Dr. Barbour extended his theme for the week, the "Quest for Satisfaction." Today's topic was "Accepting the Incredible."

Architects Prepare For Costume Dance

By ART HOWARD

Next Saturday the campus will again be afflicted with ASABAB—the annual Architecture Society's costume ball. This year the dance will have song titles for its theme, most of which even the non-architects will be able to recognize.

Soph Scholarship Announced For Development Fund

A new scholarship, the "Lulie Hughey Lane Scholarship Award," has been established at A&M, according to E. E. McQuillen, director of the A&M Development Fund.

The award was established by the Texas Society, United States Daughters of 1812, and will pay the sophomore student to which it is given \$200 for a school year.

The student chosen for the award must be majoring in liberal arts and taking military science. He shall be chosen for outstanding qualities of scholarship, leadership, and character, McQuillen said. Special consideration is to be given to students who have overcome difficult obstacles in evidencing the possession of these qualities.

The winner of the award will be chosen during the spring term of his sophomore year by a faculty committee.

Members of the faculty and members of the sophomore class are invited to recommend suitable prospects for the award, McQuillen said.

Establishment of this award was announced by Mrs. Earle D. Behrens of Dallas, chairman of the scholarship committee, who said that the scholarship has been set up to honor Mrs. Alvin V. Lane of Dallas, who passed away several years ago.

"Buttons and Bows," and "Pistol Packing Momma" promise to be well-represented, and some costumes will come from "Far Away Places." The ingenious architects are noted for the wide range of costumes appearing at their annual fling.

Prizes will be given for the two best men's and women's costumes. Jack Crook, president of the Architectural Society, won first prize two years ago with his garb of a "chicken Colonel." (The theme then was Frustrated Ambitions).

Architecture labs will come to a halt Thursday when the entire department, including the annex freshmen, will start decorating Sibsa Hall into a combination of Tin Pan Alley and one of Salvador Dali's surrealist murals.

A huge broken record will form the entrance to the dance floor, and paintings of Tin Pan Alley will line the walk to the floor. Once inside, the architects and their dates will be confronted by surrealist paintings, backed by walls of sheet music covered with song notes.

To continue in the bizarre theme the illumination will be furnished only by spotlights, while the Prairie View Septet will furnish the music.

Even the invitations follow the musical line, featuring a cartoon of a broken-down artist, drawn and modeled by Emmet Trant, an architecture student.

Every member of the Architectural Society will be allowed to bring another couple with him to the dance as his guests.

Several honorary guests have been invited, including the entire faculty of the Architecture Department, noted local architects, and representatives from Texas University, University of Houston and Texas Tech.

Tickets will cost three dollars for non-members and one dollar for members.

Department Programs for Open House Day Due Before March 1

Department programs to be sponsored during the A&M Open House must be turned in to the program committee before March 1, James W. Andrew, chairman of the Open House program committee, announced at a committee meeting Thursday evening.

The programs must be in at this time so the program committee can begin scheduling the events for the A&M Open House, Andrew stated. Department heads should specify the type of program which the department will sponsor, such as standing exhibits, shows or demonstrations.

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Special letterheads designed for all correspondence relative to the A&M Open House were presented to the committee by James I. Liverman. After some discussion, (See PROGRAMS, Page 6)

Lieutenant Roots Reports for Duty

Walter L. Roots, Jr., class of '46, will begin a tour of extended active duty in the Army on February 15, Colonel Oscar B. Abbott, Executive of the Texas Military District, announced today.

Roots, a First Lieutenant in the Veterinary Corps of the Army Organized Reserves, will report to Fort Mason, California, for assignment.



LT. AUDIE MURPHY presents 20 copies of his new book "To Hell and Back" to librarian PAUL BALLANCE. Cadet Colonel JOHN ORR helped with the presentation. A report on Murphy's book is given on page 2.