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Aggie fullback Paul "Bubba" Yates, a temporary King Cotton, crowns his wife, Ivy, as Queen Cotton in a reenactment of the Cotton Pageant presented for the recent State 4-H Club Round Up by the Agronomy Department.

## Consolidated's New G-A Rules Are Explained

In a talk before the College Kiwanis Club Tuesday, L. S. Richardson, Superintendent of A&M Consolidated Schools, interpreted the new Gilmer-Aikin Laws as applied to the Consolidated Schools.

The new laws allow twenty-two classroom teachers, one Vocational Home Economics teacher, one librarian, one public school music teacher, one full-time principal, and two part-time principals for the white schools. The Lincoln Colored school will be allowed eleven classroom teachers, one Vocational Home Economics teacher, and one part-time principal. These teachers represent a total gain of seven teachers in the white school and two teachers in the colored school.

Richardson explained that classroom teachers are allotted on the basis of Average Daily Attendance under the new law which is probably good for College Station schools since ADA is always 95% to 98% of total enrollment. Richardson further said that most schools will probably crack down on truancy in an effort to keep ADA figures high.

Salaries are based on experience and type of degree as in the old equalization law but are increased. Classroom teachers with a bachelor's degree will receive \$207 per month plus \$54 per year for each year of teaching experience. The increments cease after twelve years of experience. Classroom teachers with a master's degree will receive \$292 per month plus the \$54 per year for each year of teaching experience with experience allowed up through 26 years, Richardson said.

Also explained was the method of appropriating minimum foundation funds to local school districts. The A&M Consolidated Schools will receive approximately \$45,000 as their share of the minimum foundation fund.

Also a speaker at the Kiwanis Club was Jason Magee of College Station who was the Kiwanis Club delegate to Boys State at Austin.



Bille Jean Barron will play the title role of the chocolate soldier's sweetheart, Nadina, in the opera to be presented Thursday night.

## Evans, Glass In 'Chocolate Soldier'

By COUNTESS JONES

The roles of Colonel Popoff and Masacroff in "The Chocolate Soldier" will be played by Bill Evans and Joe Glass. The opera will be presented in the Grove at 8 p. m. Thursday.

Pat Scheihagan will play Katinka, the maid, and Duane Evans, Stephen, the butler.

Popoff, the father of Nadina, the show's leading lady, has an eye for women and thinks nothing of chasing young ladies across the stage—a nineteenth century version of a wolf.

After the war is over and he has returned a hero Popoff's main interest in life is marrying his daughter to Alexius, the country's greatest hero. However, when scandal in the form of the chocolate soldier escapades come between the betrothed couple Popoff is quickly won over to the other side. His change is perhaps influenced by the chocolate soldier's astounding wealth.

Massacroff is a frustrated spy hunter with a "Ha" complex. He is the nearest thing the opera offers for a villain, and he is a benevolent villain at that. His main fault lies in his sneering "hah's" uttered at all times, however inappropriate.

Aggies may find this gentleman a comic counterpart of well-known enforcement authorities. Bill Evans, a January graduate, is working on his master's degree in Electrical Engineering between rehearsals. While an undergraduate he was vice-president of the Singing Cadets, a member of the Ross Volunteers and the Scholarship Honor Society. His home town is Fort Worth.

Glass is a senior business major from Denton. He is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin High School in Bryan, where he was a member

of the A Cappella Choir and the boys' quartet. He studied under Claude Guthrie, former music director of the Bryan Schools.

In high school Glass appeared in "Pirates of Penzance," a Gilbert and Sullivan opera, and the junior and senior plays.

This spring he sang the baritone solo in Brahms' "Requiem," the Easter presentation of the A Cappella Choir. At present he is the choir director of the Free Will Baptist Church in Bryan.

Miss Scheihagan, also is a former member of the Stephen F. Austin A Cappella Choir. She is now a senior music major at North Texas State College, where she is a member of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra. She has studied with Mary McCormick, Mary Anderson and Arthur Schoep.

Duane Evans, an Adamson High School (Dallas) graduate, is a senior architecture student and a member of the Singing Cadets. During the war he was in special services at General Headquarters in Tokyo. He appeared there in the presentation of the "Messiah" and Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado."

## Open Book Or Closed Book?

A comparison of the 'Open Book Quiz' and the 'Closed Book Quiz' types is to be conducted in 301 Agronomy, according to Dr. L. G. Jones of the Agronomy Department. This is merely to be a "Guinea Pig" quiz Dr. Jones reported, in that one half the class will take the open book type and the other half will take the closed book type.

The comparison is being held because some students suggested that the open book type may be better as it would discourage the tendency to cheat; however, no cheating has been observed, Dr. Jones said.

Dr. Jones said he would give fifty to sixty multiple choice questions to be answered in one hour and fifteen minutes, and the open book quiz will consist of fifteen more questions than the closed book type.

Considering past experience, Dr. Jones believes students do better on the open book quiz during the short summer semesters while the closed book type seems to get better results during the long semesters.

Dr. Jones remarked that comparison was based on 625 students taught during the past 12 months.

## Former Extension Director Dies

A. K. (Dad) Short, former director of the A&M Extension Service, died in Mercedes, Texas, Wednesday, according to an Associated Press release.

A member of the class of 1900, Mr. Short had served as a director of the Federal Land Bank of Houston.

Mr. Short was one of Texas' best known agricultural leaders and one of the first agricultural agents in the state. He specialized in soil conservation and since 1941 had been associated with the Rio Farms of Monte Alto.

## Livestock Premises In City Will Be Licensed

### Turkey and Chicken Breeders Course Ends This Afternoon

Today is the final day for the two day Breeder Course, conducted for Texas turkey and chicken breeders, according to Dr. J. H. Quisenberry, head of the Poultry Husbandry Department.

Yesterday at noon, 23 breeders from all over the state had registered for the course, which began yesterday.

### Fireman School Will Open On Campus July 10

The Twentieth Annual Firemen's Training School will be held on the campus July 10-15, with 575 to 600 participants from city and industrial fire departments of Texas and from army, air force and naval installations expected, according to H. R. Brayton, director of the School.

Approximately 75 instructors from 47 cities, all recognized men in city and industrial fire departments and in national organizations, will lead the state firemen in each eight-hour day, spent almost entirely in outside drill, Brayton said.

Called by Brayton "the largest and best organizational state fire school in the nation because of its practical training," the school is conducted by the Industrial Extension Service, cooperating with the State Board for Vocational Education, and is under the auspices of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association of Texas.

Brayton, of the Industrial Extension Service and former professor of inorganic chemistry at A&M, served in the chemical warfare division of the Edgewood Arsenal at Baltimore for four years during the war. He will give an "Introductions and Announcements" speech to the firemen in the Assembly Hall on Monday, June 11.

The first annual Firemen's Training School was held in 1929 with 196 men from 76 towns reporting. This year 543 men from 285 towns have registered, with approximately 600 men from about 300 towns expected to attend, Brayton said.

### Strickland Talks To Phone Group

The College Station telephone committee will meet with D. T. Strickland, vice president and general manager of Southwestern States Telephone Company, at 4 this afternoon in the College Station City Hall.

D. D. Burchard, committee chairman, has been notified by E. H. Utzman, local manager, that Strickland has agreed to the Friday meeting.

Strickland has been asked to supply the complaint committee with written answers to the 10 points raised at last week's meeting. These 10 points were chosen from a list of 37 complaints turned in by College Station citizens. The first of these complaints was recorded in 1941, according to Burchard.

### Laundry Schedule Changes Monday

The laundry schedule will be discontinued next week because of the Fourth of July holiday, according to J. H. Kingsaid Sr., manager of the College laundry.

Students who ordinarily turn in laundry on Mondays will turn their laundry in on Tuesdays on Wednesday.

This change is effective only for the week of July 4. Beginning July 11, the original schedule will again be in force, Kingsaid said.



Beauty and the Beast, in the form of Miss Anna-belle Miller and two of the stock cattle of the Ag department. The interested bystander is George Desha. Miss Miller, an Agronomy department secretary, was a little leery of the animal, having more of a preference for typewriters.

## Judith Coplon Convicted As Spy, Faces Maximum 13 Years

Washington, July 1—(AP)—Judith Coplon was convicted yesterday of being a spy for Russia.

The jury convicted her on both counts of the indictment against her. She faces a maximum sentence of 13 years in prison and a fine of \$12,000.

"What say you as to count one," the clerk asked.

"Guilty," Norfolk replied. He made the same answer—Guilty—when asked how the jury found on count two.

Miss Coplon, 28, a Barnard College honor graduate, still faces trial in New York along with Valentine A. Gubichev, a Russian, on espionage conspiracy charges.

Under count one of the indictment under which she was convicted today the maximum penalty is 10 years and \$10,000.

That count accused Miss Coplon of taking secret reports from FBI files on counter-espionage and subversion with intent to benefit a foreign power (Russia) and injure the United States.

The second count, with a top penalty of three years and \$2,000, merely charged removal and concealment of such material and made no mention of an intended use for it.

The jury announced its verdict shortly after 1:30 p. m. (EST) after having her fate in its hands for almost 27 hours. It reported ready to give its decision at 1:10 p. m., 26 hours and 58 minutes after receiving the case.

The jam-packed courtroom was deathly silent when the jury began filing in at 1:33 p. m. EST. The former Justice Department employee was tense as she stood up to receive the verdict.

"The defendant will rise," a marshal cried out.

Her attorney, Archibald Palmer, demanded that each juror be polled and this was done by the clerk, Paul A. Roser.

Palmer announced that the verdict will be appealed to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, and if necessary, to the Supreme Court. When the jurors had taken their places, Clerk Roser asked:

"Have you reached a verdict?" "We have," foreman Andrew H. Norfolk, 34, a telephone company employee, replied.

## Grove Dead Over July 4 Week-end

No activities will be held in the Grove July 2-4. However, the usual picture show will be presented Tuesday night when activities are resumed, Grady Elms, assistant director of student activities, said Thursday.

## WEATHER

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SHOWERs were mostly afternoon thundershowers Sunday and Wednesday and in northeast Texas and western Louisiana Saturday.

Texas West of Gulf Plains—Temperatures will average 1-3 degrees above normal. Little day to day variation. Normal minimum 66 north to 73 south. Normal maximum 94 north to 96 south. Precipitation generally heavy. Scattered afternoon and evening thundershowers throughout period.

## Sturgeon Says G-A Measure Yet Unproved

"The Gilmer-Aikin school measure has got to prove its worth this year," said L. P. Sturgeon, member of the program committee, at the Wednesday's closing session of the County Superintendents and Supervisors Association and the Texas School Administration Conference.

An estimated 300 people attended the final sessions of the conference held here on the campus. At a joint session of the two groups Henry Hill, president of Peabody College, Nashville, said that "service rendered is the best public relations." The speaker pointed out that "in the United States every person can be a leader, whereas in Europe only a select few become leaders.

The Texas School Administration Conference passed unanimously a resolution "recommending that this organization go on record as favoring the appointment of a committee, similar to the Gilmer-Aikin committee, for the purpose of making a comparable study of higher education in Texas."

The TSCA elected Davis Hill, Galveston, president; Frank Monroe, Midland, vice president; and G. B. Wilcox, head of the Department of Education and Psychology at A&M, secretary.

The County Superintendents and Supervisors Association elected the following: Roy Boyd Lubbock, president; Charles Hix, Cameron, vice president; Shielma Carlyle, Daingerfield, secretary; and W. D. Bunting, Bryan, treasurer.

## A Son For The Harry Raney

A son, Gregory Paul, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Raney at Bryan City Hospital at 9:30 p. m., Wednesday, June 29.

The child weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces at birth.

Raney is an Industrial Education major from Fort Worth, and is the Student Senator from Vet Village.

## Camp Lee Aggies Win Game, Honors

Company D, a company composed largely of Aggies, was named honor company in a battalion review held Friday at Camp Lee, Virginia, according to Bee Landrum, Batt correspondent.

Two Aggies, Eivind Johansen of Brownsville and Terry Green of San Antonio, are co-captains of the company.

Also at Camp Lee, an Aggie volleyball team defeated a Clemson team twice last Monday. The scores were 18-3 and 18-2. Eivind Johansen is captain of the volleyball team.

## Labor Blamed For Anti-Labor Bills

WACO, Tex., July 1—(AP)—Caso March said today that labor is to blame for anti-labor legislation in Washington and Austin.

"Labor has failed to organize and support candidates for public office who are friendly to labor," the former Baylor law professor now a candidate for governor, told a railroad meeting.

He addressed the 18th annual tri-state meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers. The Brotherhood chose Tyler for the 1950 meeting. The meeting ends tonight.

March brought a roar of applause from the 300 delegates when he said the Taft-Hartley act, if enforced, would destroy labor.

Lt. Gov. Allan Shivers sent a telegram saying he would not be able to keep an engagement to address the railroad men.

## Amber Strips . . .

## Heat Makes Book Shed Dust Jacket

By W. K. COLVILLE

Dante called it "The Inferno," the troops called it "war," Emily Post blushing whispers, "Hades," Webster defines it, . . . any place or condition of extreme misery or evil." Mythology will have it, "Tartarus on the Styx," but 3062 Aggies call it A&M on the Brazos, and hot in any vernacular.

And why, in the name of a feverish salamander, must we of TAMC (Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Creamatorium be forced to simmer, sizzle, and seethe in this grandfather of all low-pressure areas? Pure as the driven snow, we are no reason for nature to turn pyromaniac.

Little do the fickle gulf-breezes know of the sweating havoc their absence is causing at A&M.

Yesterday, when it was 200 in the shade, and no shade, the Library experienced literary pandemonium. "The Foxes of Harrow" began shedding. "Forever Amber" took off her clothes (this, however was no surplice), "Wuthering Heights" stopped withering and just panted.

"Moby Dick" sounded in cool mint-julep and Audie Murphy unceremoniously packed up and went back to hell. "The Ambassadors"

knocked off for a week in the Adirondacks, "The Postman" rang only once, and "For Whom the Bells Toll" knolled.

"Kitty" sang the new hit "I'd Scald Outside," and "How Green Was My Valley" and "Green Dolphin Street" withered into a crisp ochre.

"The Grapes of Wrath" fermented and "Lost Weekend" disappeared again. Only "The Naked and the Dead" remained cool and calm throughout, "Inside Europe" being no hotter than usual. In a niche in a far corner there was an empty space where "The Iceman Cometh" formerly had been. He had gone.

Fictionary characters suffered not alone. Mascara and make-up dripped abundantly, not only opening co-ed's eyes, but quite a few Aggies'.

Soldier, statesman, and knightly that he is, Sull Ross, took off his coat and flung it across his bronze shoulders with appropriate curses.

Loupot passed and just nodded his head, and (now my story becomes unbelievable) the editor broke down and bought a round of coles.

Come to A&M, ye tender seekers of erudition, and become acclimated for the hereafter!