



Howard E. Johann, on the left, and Dr. Wayne J. McIlrath are new members of the teaching and research staff of the Plant Physiology and Pathology Department. Johann will teach an advanced course in plant physiology and Dr. McIlrath has been given a joint research and teaching appointment with the Experiment Station and the college.

Pieck Selected First President Of New Soviet German Republic

BERLIN, Oct. 12 (AP)—Wilhelm Pieck, aging No. 1 Communist in Germany, was selected today to be the first president of the new Soviet zone republic erected by the Communists with Russian blessing. Pieck's selection was pre-ordained by the Communists, who had made it known in advance the 73-year-old Moscow-trained wheel horse would get the job. The Russians announced last night they were replacing military rule in eastern Germany with a civilian control commission and a Russian high commissioner. The United States, Britain and France took that step in western Germany last month.

Ends Military Rule
Russia's supreme representative in Germany, Marshal Vasilii I. Chuikov, in a statement last night announcing the end of military rule said also "all administrative functions" exercised by the Russians would be transferred to the new east German government. The war of words over the rival east and west German republics continued. In Frankfurt last night the western high commissioners in a statement called the new Soviet zone republic an "artificial" creation devoid of any legal basis. "This so-called government," their statement said, "has no title to represent eastern Germany."

Chuikov Raps Back
Chuikov in his statement rapped back at the Bonn government in the west. Western Germany, he declared, "is governed by the in-

Senate Committee OK's Nominations
Washington, Oct. 12 (AP)—The Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday approved the nominations of two Texans as district judges in Southern Texas. They were Ben C. Conally, son of Senator Conally (D-Tex.), to be a U. S. district judge for Southern Texas, and James V. Allred, former Texas Governor, to be U. S. district judge for Southern Texas. The nominations must be approved by the entire senate. Other nominations approved by the committee today included: Walter C. Lindley to be a judge of the U. S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals at Chicago, succeeding Sherman Minton. Minton has been confirmed by the Senate as a Justice of the Supreme Court. Harold L. Hines will be U. S. Marshall for Eastern Oklahoma.

Money Donated To Prairie View
The Kellogg Foundation's Educational Division of Battle Creek, Mich., has made available to the Prairie View A&M College \$3,200. The money is to be used for the promotion of health education activities and services to negro schools and communities in Texas. Dr. R. B. Evans, president of Prairie View, announced. The sum of \$1,500 has also been made available to Prairie View A&M President Evans announced, to be used for the promotion of a program of nutrition education including a scholarship grant and the development of experimental diet studies. The money is from the Public Services Division, General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis.

Navy Not Reduced to Second Place Role, Johnson Says

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 11 (AP)—Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson repeated today there is no plan afoot to reduce the Navy to "a second class role" in national defense. Johnson, addressing the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, said the Navy has an "honorable role" to play on the Army-Navy-Air Force team.

Johnson took notice of mounting protests from Navy partisans that it was about to be "unified" out of business. He assured the Navy he intends to keep it and the Marine Corps as vital parts of the defense combination. The defense secretary—declaring that the possibility the Russians would learn the atomic secret long has figured in defense planning—said he is "confident" this country still has the lead in atomic weapons. "I am confident we still hold the lead," Johnson said, "not enough of a lead to grow complacent but enough to be decisive if we continue the present pace."

Atomic Explosion
"The implications of the atomic explosion in Russia, I assure you," the secretary told delegates, "have been integrated into the security planning and government policies of this nation."
"The possession by the Russians of the knowledge and means to produce an atomic explosion imperils our security and government policies of this nation."
Sam E. Von Rosenberg has been appointed assistant extension dairyman in the Dairy Husbandry Department, Dr. I. W. Rupel, head of the department, announced today. Von Rosenberg has assumed his duties. The new staff member is a graduate of A&M, class of '36. He majored in dairy production. He is a native of La Grange. Von Rosenberg has served with the Extension Service as agricultural adjustment assistant in Blanco and Coleman counties and was county agricultural agent in Mills county and in Palo Pinto county. He left the service to manage a purebred dairy herd in partnership with his father. He has been active in developing grade "A" dairies in Fayette, Washington, Colorado, Lavaca, Lee and Bastrop counties. "With a background of several years in county extension service work followed by seven years in dairy herd management work together with leadership in dairy activities," Dr. Rupel says, "Von Rosenberg comes to A&M well fortified with experience that will be valuable in his contacts with dairymen and county extension service workers throughout Texas." Mr. and Mrs. Von Rosenberg live on Meadowlane in Bryan. They have two children.

Graduate Named To Dept. Staff
The Coryell County Club will meet in its regular meeting room on the first floor of the Academic Building, according to Bill Potts, president of the club. Potts stated that he wished to urge every person from Coryell County to be there because of the importance of this meeting. Final plans to bring the Gatesville High School football team here for the A&M-Baylor game will be completed, Potts said.

Tunnel Workers Halt Walk Traffic
The south end of Military Walk will be closed for approximately two weeks, while a steam tunnel is being built from Hart Hall to the Memorial Student Center, A. L. Lamascus, foreman of the job, said today. The new steam tunnel will be 600 feet long and sixty feet wide. The fittings will connect with the existing ones that are in front of Hart Hall, Charles Leighton, construction engineer for the college, said. Houston street will not be closed for more than two or three days because of the football traffic. The whole job will take about 30 days, depending on the weather, Lamascus said. No additional boilers will be needed to provide the Student Center with steam, Leighton said. The contract was given to the E. E. Farrow Construction Company.

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Elections Held In Wives Bridge Club
Mrs. Loraine Ward has been named president of the Veterans Wives Bridge Club, Jean Rutledge, newly elected secretary-treasurer, said today. New vice-president of the club is Mrs. Dorothy Bradshaw. Historian for the group is Mrs. Josephine Atteberry, and Mrs. Jan Reimon is Parliamentarian. At the club meeting last Thursday evening, Mrs. Jean Rutledge was first prize winner, and second prize was won by Mrs. Lucille Hyson. Mrs. Luella Hyson and Mrs. Carolyn McMurry were hostesses for the Thursday meeting.

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Navy's Role Repeated
But because of recently renewed public discussion about the Navy's mission, Johnson said he thought it was proper to repeat again the Navy's role as adopted by the joint chiefs of staff and himself on June 19, 1949. Johnson then quoted from a speech made that day in which he said the Navy's role is to control the sea lanes. He also repeated a conviction expressed then of a continuing need for the Navy's air arm and for carrier aircraft. Johnson devoted a major portion of his speech to praising the AFL's part in pushing war production during the last war and in helping develop free trade unions abroad and democratic movements since then.

Rumman Files Suit Against McCarthy
Los Angeles, Oct. 12 (AP)—Glenn McCarthy, wealthy Houston oilman, is accused of beating and kicking a sports promoter who alleges he was hired—and then fired—to promote a charity pro football game. Larry Rumman of Los Angeles filed suit yesterday, asking \$210,000 in damages from McCarthy. Rumman's suit alleges that McCarthy hired him to promote a game in Houston Dec. 17 between the champion of the All America football conference and an all-star team. He was promised, the suit read, \$10,000 plus a share of the gate. The promoter added that he was summoned to Houston, told "we don't need you anymore." Then when he protested, the suit continued, McCarthy jumped on a desk, kicked him in the chest and chin and hit him with his fist while two bodyguards held him. Rumman said he was held captive two days in McCarthy Shamrock Hotel in Houston. James Clark, McCarthy's public relations man, said in Houston McCarthy at no time hired Rumman nor had any dealing with him about the charity game.

Vaughn Speaks To Vets at His Party
Washington, (AP)—Take it from Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughn: He's "tired" with disdain for those who call him "unethical." "I'm considered in many circles to be very unethical," President Truman's army aide confided to a friendly audience, "and I'm sure I will continue to be." "There are only two people I have to please—Mr. Truman and Mrs. Vaughn. As long as I please them, I am satisfied. "I've made various suggestions as what other people can do. You can interpolate your interpretation of that." The occasion was a \$2-a-plate party given in Vaughn's honor yesterday by members of various veterans organizations. They gathered to show appreciation for the various chores Vaughn has handled as President Truman's coordinator of veterans affairs. It was a far cry from the senate committee hearings at which investigators, on the hunt for "influence peddling" in Washington, inquired into some of Vaughn's veteran activities.

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Boyle's Column . . .

Jewel Show Makes Writer Glitter-Happy, Say Golly!

Editor's note: Written by Ed Cleach for Hal Boyle

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Truman Urges Quick Agreement Be Reached on Agriculture Bill
WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP)—President Truman called Democratic congressional leaders to the White House today and urged them to reach a quick agreement on the Farm Bill. The congressional delegation members were silent as they strode out of the White House after an hour-long conference in Mr. Truman's office. Differences among Mr. Truman's leadership in the Senate on farm price supports have impeded passage of a new farm measure. No Agreement. Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross told reporters afterwards that no agreement was reached at the White House parley. "The President asked them to get together on a bill he can sign," Ross said. "He asked them to adjust their differences." Ross would not say what sort of bill Mr. Truman would sign, however. When asked if the President would veto an unsatisfactory bill, Ross replied "You may make what implications you please." Rep. Cecil F. White (D-Calif.) said yesterday, after a talk at the White House, that Mr. Truman strongly supported legislation providing price supports of 90 per cent of parity of basic crops. Lucas and Anderson. Senator Democratic Leader Lucas (Ill.) and Senator Anderson (D-N.M.), former secretary of agriculture, have been leading the fight for a sliding scale support system ranging from 75 to 90 per cent. Parity in price calculated to give a farmer a fair return for the things he sells in relation to the prices he pays for goods that he needs. Brannan Plan. Chairman Elmer Thomas (D-Okl.) of the Senate Agriculture Committee also has been talking about tossing the Brannan subsidy plan into the Senate scrap on farm legislation. The Brannan Plan—named for Secretary of Agriculture Brannan—would let prices of perishable crops drop to whatever the market will bring. If prices fell below a "fair" level, the government would make up the difference by direct payments to farmers. After a zig-zag course, the Senate finally rejected last week, 45 to 26, an amendment to put price props under wheat, corn, cotton, tobacco, rice and peanuts at 90 per cent of parity. Parity is a price calculated to give farmers a fair return on what they grow in terms of what they have to buy. Under the bill now before the Senate, price supports for basic crops would range from 75 to 90 per cent of parity. Student Chapter Of Engineers to Meet. The A. I. Ch. E. Chapter will meet tonight after yell practice in the lecture room of the Petroleum Building. Speaker will be J. Dvoracek who will speak on "The Value of Instrumentation of Chemical Processes," according to Dr. W. D. Harris, counselor for the student chapter.

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Scouts Eligible For Merit Badges
Fifty College Station and Bryan Boy Scouts will be eligible for advancement and merit badge awards at the Brazos District Court of honor at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at the Bryan Country Club. The program will be in charge of troop advancement chairman, according to Dr. L. S. Paine, district advancement chairman. They will include Dr. H. W. Barlow for Troop 411; Sam Kennedy, for Troop 864 and W. D. Harris, for Troop 102. Last minute competition for the district's "Honor Banner" will highlight the afternoon, Paine explained. Points will be counted for attendance by the boys and by their families and friends. Other points already have been earned by advancement in rank, merit badges, and by inter-troop competition. Troop 411, College Station, with Randy Salls as Scoutmaster, will conduct opening and closing exercises.

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