

Past FSA Head Will Address ASCE Chapter

Andrew P. Rollins Sr., '06, past president of the Former Students Association and present member of the State Board of Water Engineers of Texas, will be the main speaker Tuesday at the regular meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

He will talk on "Water Problems in Texas."

Rollins has long been active in the field of engineering in Texas and at one time served as an official in the Construction Division of the Veterans Administration.

He received his bachelor of science degree in civil engineering here, and is one of six Rollins brothers to graduate from A&M.

As a member of the engineering firm of Rollins and Clinger, he supervised an extensive building program for Dallas County. During that time he was also Director of Public Works and City Engineer for the city of Dallas.

The Tuesday meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m. in the Lecture Room of the Civil Engineering Building.



Dr. Ralph Steen, Student Senate President Keith Allsup, and student senators Frank Stringer and Floyd Henk (from left to right) proudly inspect the \$100 Baylor stadium bond, purchased by the Student Life Committee with student activities funds, and recently received on the campus. These four men were prime movers in the good will gesture toward the Waco school.

Junior Committees Pick Theme, Make Dinner-Prom Plans

By DAVE COSLETT

The Class of '51 has decided to go out of this world.

Occasion for the starting decision is the coming Junior Prom and Banquet scheduled to be held in Sbisla Hall, Feb. 10. Members of the committees planning the affair have chosen "Out of This World" as the theme around which all the day's activities will revolve.

A group of architects, selected because of their acquaintance with abstract subjects, will handle all decorations for the banquet and dance.

The week-end on which the affair falls will be one of the high spots of the spring social calendar. The Saturday following the banquet and dance being the date of the annual Valentine Ball, featuring a big-name band.

The band to play for the Junior dance has not yet been picked. The decision hinges on the next meeting of the class in which the members will vote on the two possibilities of getting either a name band or the Aggieband Orchestra.

The sweetheart of the Junior Prom, another of the "Out of This World" features of the dance, will be chosen from pictures submitted by class members. A judging committee, now being selected, will narrow the list of eligible beauties down to six contestants and then, at the dance, pick the winners from these six.

Juniors have been asked to start submitting pictures of their candidates as soon as possible to the Student Activities Office in Goodwin Hall. Deadline for picture turn-in will be Friday, Feb. 3. Pictures of the six finalists will be run in The Battalion during the week preceding the Prom.

Students submitting pictures have been asked to add a slip to the pictures giving their names as well as the name and important information on their candidate. This information should include age, hometown, school, activities, and any previous honors.

To avoid any prejudice in selecting the finalists, the pictures being judged will be identified by a number only. For this reason, it is important that all information concerning the picture be placed on a separate piece of paper and clipped securely to the picture. Pictures will receive their identifying number as they are submitted.

Highlighting the menu at the banquet will be filet mignon. Tickets to the banquet will cost \$1.25 per person. Dance ducats will go at \$2 stag or drag. Efforts are now being made to secure a speaker at the banquet.

Any suggestions concerning the banquet or the dance should be

Editorship Filing
To End Tomorrow

Tuesday is the last day that application will be accepted for the editorship of the Agriculturist, W. E. Jackson, chairman of editor selection committee of the Agriculturist Council, said today.

Applications must be taken to Roland Bing, manager of Student Publication, Goodwin Hall, before Tuesday January 10. Four men have already applied Jackson said.

Point, Academy Are Dead, That's What the Red Said

Moscow—(AP)—West Point and Annapolis are mere high schools, not to be compared with similar Soviet institutions, the army newspaper Red Star said today.

"In general, there are no higher military educational institutions in the United States which, in the scale of knowledge imparted, can be fully compared with our military academies," the newspaper said.

The Red Star article objected to the use of the term "academy" by Russian translators referring to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point and the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. It said the word should be translated only as "school."

"It is regrettable that certain of our translators, without suspecting it, by incorrect interpretation of terms, greatly exaggerated the general education level of American officers," Red Star added.

Chest Goal Topped In College Station

College Station passed its \$10,000 Community Chest goal last week, according to Chest President Joe Sorrels.

Agencies which participated in chest funds will receive their checks by mail within a few days, said Sorrels.

"A few more checks may come in, but we have slightly more than our goal in hand already," he said.

Confusion Caravan

Spike Jones and his Musical Depreciation Review will explode in Guion Hall Thursday, January 19, in two big performances.

Along with Spike will come such madcaps as Doodles Weaver, George Rock, Helen Grayco, Sir Frederick Gas, Dr. Horatio Q. Birdbath, Dick and Freddie Morgan, Bill King, Eileen Gallagher and many others, not to mention the City Slickers.

Tom Puddy, manager of Guion Hall announced, there will be no smoking allowed during the show because the celluloid collars worn by the members of the band, are highly inflammable. The only one who will be allowed to smoke is Nancy McDonald, harpist, who smokes a cigar while calmly knitting.

The show Spike put on at the Texas State Fair, and many Aggies saw—well, that ain't it. This musical Depreciation Revue is en-

Prize Alamo Seige Theme To Net Writer \$150 Cash

By BOB PRICE

There's a \$150 in cold cash awaiting the lucky Aggie that writes the best theme on the "Military History of the Siege of the Alamo." The San Antonio A&M Club is offering this money to the student turning in the prize winning treatise on this subject.

The club has appropriated the sum of \$1,000 to be used as prize money over a period of five years. A second prize of \$50 is also being offered. A new topic will be chosen each year.

This is the first year of the contest and the student interest shown in this first venture will be a determining factor in deciding the scheduling of additional contests.

This topic is one familiar to Texans and a wealth of information concerning the subject of the Alamo battle can be found in the college library. Students may secure necessary data from any source.

Major L. E. Garrett of the Military Science Department requests that any students interested in entering the contest drop by the Operations Office in Ross Hall to

Chevrolet Out With Torque Transmission

Detroit, Jan. 9—(AP)—The first automatic transmission in low priced cars was introduced Saturday as Chevrolet displayed its 1950 models.

The new device, a torque converter with a \$150 extra equipment price tag, marks another first for Chevrolet. This biggest producer of the car companies has been in first place in production and sales.

No price changes were announced, excepting a \$250 cut on the all steel station wagon.

WTAW Schedules 'College Speaks'

Jack T. Kent, of the Mathematics Department, will present the first in a series of College Speaks programs at 5:15 this afternoon over radio station WTAW.

Kent's talk on astronomy is entitled "Euclid Writer of The World's Most Enduring Text Book."

The College Speaks broadcasts, under the direction of C. O. Spriggs, of the English department, will be heard on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for the remainder of the month. According to Spriggs they may go on a five days a week schedule in February.

Program schedule for the rest of the month is as follows:

Tues., Jan. 10: "Photography As A Professional Tool", Budlong—Physics.

Wed., Jan. 11: "Insurance for a Small Business", Johnson—Business and Accounting.

Mon., Jan. 16: "Premedical-Dental Education", Potter—Biology.

Tues., Jan. 17: "Importance of Studying Languages and the Language of the Western World", Mallison—Modern Languages.

Wed., Jan. 18: "Chalk—Economics".

Mon., Jan. 23: "Marketing Home-made Products", Hooks—B.A.

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Wed., Jan. 25: "Summer—Economics".

Mon., Jan. 30: "Scenes from Shakespeare", Spriggs—English.

Worries Pay Off

Washington—(AP)—A postman noticed a car parked along his route. Thinking it might contain a postal inspector, he kept a close eye on it.

Later he heard of a robbery in the area. Remembering the car, and its license number, he told police about it. The clue resulted in the arrest of the robber.

who could tip the scales over the two hundred mark.

Frankie Little, the tiniest City Slicker in the world, will also be on hand to encourage the musical mayhem. Frankie was born in the city that made Schlitz famous—Milwaukee. He is the dwarf that crosses the stage on a regular schedule during the "laugh every four bars" show.

Tickets went on sale to the students last week end starting today sales will be open for the general public. Reserved seat tickets for the center section of the main floor will be \$2.50. Side section seat tickets will go for \$1.50 and balcony seats for \$1.25. Tickets are available in the Student Activities Office in Goodwin Hall.

These prices, a little higher than most charged around here, were set by Spike Jones by contract several weeks ago, Spike White, assistant director of Student Activities, said.

Committeemen Named For 1950 Military Ball

Utility Course Conducted By Extensionists

Training for motor vehicle supervisors, fire department instructors, policemen, water plant and sewage disposal plants and other lines, were conducted in 280 Texas towns and cities the 1948-49 fiscal year, by the Industrial Extension Service.

The report, issued by E. L. Williams director of the IES, at the annual staff conference, showed that 574 classes were held, with an enrollment of 9,959 persons representing 2,000 different firms and agencies.

Activities of the IES are statewide. Twenty-six men staff the service.

The fire department has six instructors and they held 223 classes for 4,111 men from 566 fire departments; 26 courses for motor vehicle supervisors were conducted for 440 men from 65 companies; 480 policemen attended 38 classes conducted in 12 towns; five instructors in rural electric line construction and maintenance worked with 95 line crews made up of 1,717 men at 87 different locations; 116 courses for supervisors in various industrial and business concerns were held and 16 instructed in 31 different establishments.

Two teacher trainers worked with 82 vocational industrial teachers in the public schools of Texas; 116 courses for supervisors in various fields also include experimental morphology, physiology of respiration and body temperature control, and metabolism of living cells in artificial culture and endocrinology.

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Pomerat Slated For Talk Here

Dr. Charles M. Pomerat, president of the Texas Academy of Science, will speak in the Physics Lecture Room Tuesday night at 8.

Cytologist and director of the Tissue Culture Laboratory of the Department of Anatomy, Medical Branch of the University of Texas at Galveston, Dr. Pomerat has served in this position since 1943.

The lecture is the fourth of the 1949-50 Graduate Lecture Series, sponsored by the Graduate School in cooperation with the Collegiate Division of the Texas Academy of Science.

Author of many scientific publications in the field of embryology, tissue culture, physiology and cytology, Dr. Pomerat is a recognized authority in these fields. His special fields also include experimental morphology, physiology of respiration and body temperature control, and metabolism of living cells in artificial culture and endocrinology.

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All members of eight committees which will handle arrangements for the Military Ball on March 18 were announced this morning by Walter W. Zimmerman, corps executive officer and general chairman for the Military Ball.

Meetings for the chairmen have been held, Zimmerman said, and duties of each committee were outlined. Preliminary work for some of the committees is already underway.

The chairmen of the eight committees are Macyl Orman, D Field Artillery, program; Bruce Thompson, White Band, decoration; Ivy Johansen, B Veterans, refreshment; Charlie Jackson, B Coast Artillery, dance; John Taylor, C Cavalry, guests; C. C. Munroe, Corps Staff, publicity; Gene Chase, C Infantry ticket; and Ralph Hahnfeld, A Chemical Corps, miscellaneous.

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Publicity: C. C. Munroe, chairman, James "Red" Duke, Joe Mullins, Jack Norman, Bob Garcia, Dave Coslett, George Charlton, and Clayton Selph.

Tickets: Gene Chase, chairman, Phil Parker, Bruce Simoneaux, Andrew Cotton, Otto Felton, Joe Coronado, and Dare Keelan.

Decorations: Bruce Thompson, chairman, Sam Clark, Chuck Gobbels, Bill Couch, John Zerr, Jim Flowers, Bill Richard, Frank Thurman, Tom Turner, Frank Neill, R. R. Waterhouse, Ray Patterson, Jack Stambury, and Wilham "Pusher" Barnes.

Miscellaneous: Ralph Hahnfeld, chairman, Bill Mehaley, Lamar Walker, Charlie Modest, and Earl Grant.

Zimmerman said that no band has been contacted as yet. However, as soon as the bands planning spring tours announce their major engagements it will be possible to sign up a suitable orchestra.

Any men who would be interested in working on any of the committees were asked by Zimmerman to contact the committee chairman.

Recovery Plans Told by Italy's YMCA Leader

"There is plenty of food now in Italy for the people who can afford to buy it," Dr. Claude Nelson, secretary for the YMCA in Italy, told several students assembled at an informal interview here in the YMCA Thursday afternoon. Dr. Nelson was visiting M. L. Cashion, YMCA secretary for A&M.

Commenting further on the food situation in Italy, Dr. Nelson, who left Italy Dec. 1, said that money was not too plentiful there and, therefore, few people can eat in abundance. The standard of living is very low, compared to American standards.

Most of the war damage has been repaired, he told the group: Highways, railroads, and buildings in the cities were first to be rebuilt. Nearly all of this reconstruction was financed by Marshall Plan and UNRRA funds administered by the Italian government.

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Creative Writers Planning New Club

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Wayne Stark—no relation to Freshman scotchback Ray Stark, but with just as much hip control—is obviously bowled over by the antics of her boss, Spike Jones, on the 88 keys. Audrey and Spike will be in Guion Hall, January 19, with the rest of the musical depreciation revue.