

## Fourth Army Head Is Ranking Guest

By B. F. ROLAND

One of the world's outstanding experts in the field of military supply and logistics will be the ranking guest of the Corps of Cadets tomorrow.

Lt. Gen. LeRoy Lutes, commander of the Fourth Army, has been cited by both his own and the British governments for his work in planning and directing the supply services of the Allied armed forces during the war.

The Fourth Army commander saw combat service in every theater of operations during World War II. He was instrumental in establishing the first joint Army-Navy Logistical Board in the South Pacific area.

Early in the war he initiated plans to assure adequate supply support for American forces in England. Prior to the European invasion he was called to General Eisenhower's headquarters to investigate and advise on plans for supply and logistical support of the cross-channel assault.

During the years 1944 and 1945,

General Lutes was again called to serve with the Headquarters of the Allied Expeditionary Forces to assist in the logistical operations at the front.

From 1943 to 1946, he served first as acting chief of staff, chief of staff, and finally commanding general of the Army Service Forces.

He saw service in the Pacific Theater in 1942 and 1943. In 1943 and 1944 he took part in the Cairo Conference, the Burma-India, North African and European campaigns.

He was instrumental in coordinating supply and logistic operations in support of Army and Navy advances in the Pacific.

In March, 1946, Gen. Lutes accompanied the Under Secretary of War on a world circling inspection trip to examine the worldwide army surplus property situation in overseas theaters.

The Fourth Army commander was instrumental in formulating plans and policies for demobilization of the armed forces at the conclusion of the war.

Gen. Lutes first entered military service at the age of 16 when he joined the original coast artillery regiment of the Washington National Guard in 1906. An honor graduate of Wentworth Military Academy in 1908, Gen. Lutes served in the Illinois National Guard until 1917 when he accepted a regular army commission.

He is a graduate of the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and the Army War College.

His post as Fourth Army commander is not his first tour of duty in Texas. In 1940 he served with the Third Army Headquarters in San Antonio. In October of 1940 he was in charge of supply planning and operations for the large Louisiana maneuvers in 1941.

In November, 1941 he established the brigade in defense of the West Coast airplane factories. At the outbreak of the war he was transferred to Washington, D. C. for duty on the War Department General Staff.

At the present time, in addition to his Fourth Army command, Gen. Lutes is detailed to the office of the Secretary of Defense as director of the staff of the Munitions Board. This agency has among its other duties coordination of procurement for all three military departments.

Gen. Lutes has been awarded six decorations. In January, 1945, he was awarded the Bronze Star in Europe and in September of the same year he was awarded the Legion of Merit. He was presented with the Distinguished Service Medal in October 1945 and in July, 1946 he was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second DSM.

In August, 1946 the King of England awarded Gen. Lutes the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, degree of Honorary Commander.

On April, 1947, he was presented the American Typhus Commission medal for his work in every theater of operations toward combating typhus.



Lt. Gen. LeRoy Lutes

Gen. Lutes, commanding general of the Fourth Army, will review the Corps of Cadets tomorrow afternoon at 4 on the Main Drill Field. Gen. Lutes, as ranking officer, will head a large list of military officials from Texas and Washington, D. C. The guests from the national capital will arrive on the campus tonight.

## Cavalryman Johnson Returns As General

By RALPH GORMAN

Added to the list of the celebrities who are to be present as honor guests for the Military Ball is a member of the class of '17 and holder of an Honorary Doctor's

Degree in Agriculture, Major General Harry H. Johnson, ORC.

Born a Texan, the General served with the National Guard before the war, with the Army of the United States during the war, in the Pacific Theater, and now is commander of one of the new Armored Divisions allocated to the ORC.

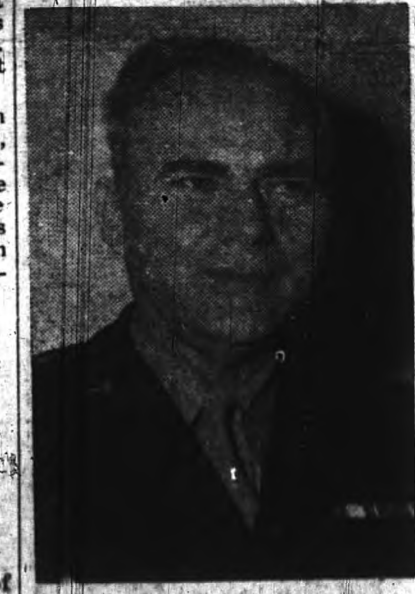
General Johnson assumed his present command of the 22nd Armored Division (Reserve) September 1, 1947 with headquarters at Houston.

During World War II, he served in the Western Pacific, New Guinea, and the Southern Philippines Campaigns. He received the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, and the Bronze Star Medal with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters.

General Johnson entered A & M in 1913 and joined the army in 1915 before graduating. Commissioned in 1917, he attended Cavalry Military Service School in 1923, and was appointed Major General February 27, 1947.

At the present time, he is connected with the Gulf Oil Corporation in Houston and has been given an assignment with the Hoof and Mouth Disease Control Board, which is operating in Mexico.

He is the father of Harry H. Johnson, Jr., '49, who is a senior agricultural economics major and a member of the Cavalry branch of the ROTC.



Maj. Gen. H. H. Johnson

General Johnson, commander of the 22nd Armored Division (Reserve), is one of the honor guests who will attend the activities of the Military Ball weekend. Gen. Johnson's son, H. H. Johnson, Jr., is a senior cavalry cadet.

## Weekend Features Ellington, Concert, Annual Military Ball

By C. C. MUNROE

The biggest show of the year for the Corps of Cadets will be staged tomorrow afternoon on the Main Drill Field.

The entire ROTC Unit, this year boasting the greatest strength it has known since the war, will march past a reviewing stand filled with military and civilian dignitaries.

Following the review, the honor guests, college officials, and their guests will have dinner with the corps in Duncan Hall at 6 p. m. The guests will be seated with the various units of the corps.

A concert by Duke Ellington and his orchestra will begin at 6:30 p. m. in Guion Hall to mark the start of the social events of the weekend.

At 9 p. m., Sbia Hall will be

opened and the second annual Military Ball will begin. Fourteen hundred invitations to the ball have been made available to cadets. Elaborate decorations have been prepared. During the intermission Miss Jeanine Holland and the Aggie Sweetheart nominees from TSCW will be introduced.

Spirit of Aggieldand

A unique ending to the ball has been planned by the program committee. It will feature a special transcription of The Spirit of Aggieldand made this week by the Aggie Band.

Eight general officers of the Army and Air Force will top the list of honor guests who came to A&M for the Military Ball weekend. Two military attaches representing France and Italy will also be among the guests.

Both the foreign officers will be honored at the Saturday afternoon review by the Aggie Band. The French National Anthem will be played in honor of Brig. Gen. Jacques de La Boisse, military attaché, French Embassy and Brig. Gen. A. R. Lueddecke, strategic planning, USAF.

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## Acheson Tells How Reds May Prove Peaceful

Berkeley, Calif., March 17. (AP)—There are seven ways Russia can show she wants peace and less world tension, Secretary of State Acheson declared last night.

Completing his second day of foreign policy addresses, Acheson listed differences which he said must be reconciled between Russia and the non-Communist world "if the two systems are to live together, if not in mutual respect, at least in reasonable security."

He held out little hope the Russians would comply, but listed these things Russia could do:

1. Work with the West on peace treaties for Germany, Japan, and Austria which won't turn them into Soviet satellites.
2. Stop using force or its threat on existing satellites. Let them be countries in their own right.
3. Stop obstructing the United Nations and let it become, in Prime Minister Stalin's words, a serious instrument for building international peace and security.
4. Join in seeking "realistic and effective" controls for atomic weapons and general arms limitations. "We believe," Acheson said, "that an authority could be established which would not be controlled or subject to control by either ourselves or the Soviet Union."
5. Stop trying to undermine other countries through Communism.
6. Quit treating diplomats as "sinister" and "criminals."
7. Let the Russian people know what goes on outside Russia.

These are the things, Acheson said, "which, while leaving much yet to do, would give the world new confidence in the possibility of peaceful change."



Maxine Zimmerman

Miss Zimmerman has been selected Cotton Pageant and Ball Duchess representing the Southwest Texas A&M Club. She will be escorted by Alvin Aaronson, junior business major from Cotulla.

## Report of Children Required in Census

All parents who have children of school age must make a report during the 1950-51 school census which will be conducted in April, announced Les Richardson, superintendent of the A&M Consolidated System.

The reports are to be made on official census blanks and should be filled out and signed by the parents. Blanks may be secured from Superintendent Richardson at the school of phoning 4-7624.

School age is defined by law as being six years of age on or before September 1, 1950, and those born on or before September 1, 1952.

The school census law applies to veteran students who have school age children and reside in college-owned apartments, Richardson said.



Mary Jane Luten

Miss Luten has been selected a Cotton Pageant and Ball Duchess by the Architectural Society. She is from Dallas and will be escorted by Charlie Jennings, senior architecture major also from Dallas.

## A&M Debators Meet Pointers On Saturday

Aggie debaters Dan Davis and James Farmer will meet the West Point debate team of William Watson and John Shopper in the YMCA Chapel at 2 Saturday afternoon to argue nationalization of the basic non-agricultural industries of the United States. Harry E. Hierth, co-sponsor of the A&M Discussion and Debate Club announced.

Watson and Shopper will encounter the Aggie team Saturday afternoon. The Aggies will take the negative case to the debate question: "Resolved: That the United States should nationalize its basic non-agricultural industries."

Later Saturday afternoon Watson and Shopper will attend the corps review, and that evening they will be guests at the Military Ball.

Joe Fuller, president of the A&M Discussion and Debate Club will act as chairman to the debate. Allen Watson is the only one of three judges who has been announced. Watson is pastor of the First Christian Church in Bryan.

## Oh, For That Little Red Schoolhouse . . .

### 'District School' Comes Alive With Local Talent

By GEORGE CHARLTON

Dressed in everything from little-lord-fauntleroy suits and wigs to blue jeans and straw hats, members of the cast in "The District School of Blueberry Corners" will troop out on the Consolidated gym stage tonight at 7:30 to present a three act production.

Tonight's affair concerns the goings-on in a typical little red schoolhouse of the old fashioned variety. Country educational institutions in those days consisted usually of one room in which all grades were taught.

Featuring some unexploited local talent, the little show is guaranteed by Mrs. E. B. Reynolds, director, to keep everyone laughing from curtain time until the last scholar is "graduated" about an hour later in the third act. Mrs. Reynolds has also managed, cast, and written in special parts for the affair.

Girls in the skit are: Matilda Billings, age 10, played by Mrs. Manning Smith; Samantha Piper, age 12, played by Mrs. R. R. Lyle; Faithful Snooks, 10, played by Mrs. T. K. Chamberlain; Corinda Geyer, 13, Mrs. C. B. Holzman; Jerusha Dickson, 15, Mrs. C. G. "Spike" White; Ruth Ketchum, 14, Mrs. W. E. Street; Susan Crowfoot,

15, Mrs. H. W. "Bud" Barlow; Sally Brown, 15, Mrs. J. T. L. McNew; Mehtable Jones, 16, Mrs. A. W. Melloh; Dorcas Doolittle, 17, Mrs. A. C. Hughes; and the triplets, Mella, Della, and Bella Hash, played by Mrs. Helen Anderson, Mrs. Marsha Adams, and Mrs. Velma Couch.

Boys enrolled in the school were: Luther Brown, age 4, played by Rev. O. G. Helvey; David Snooks, 9, by D. W. Fleming; Billy Crowfoot, 10, Les Richardson; Obediah Buzzard, 10, John Hillman; Stephen Tucker, 13, Ray Odon; Jeremiah Jenkins, 14, Joe Motherall; Bobby O'Lee, 15, Ray Perryman; Samuel Snooks, 15, E. E. Boze; Sam Dissey, 1, Joe Sorrels.

Visitors to the school are: Mrs. Dipse, played by Mrs. C. K. Esten; Sam Piper, by E. B. Reynolds; Mrs. Snook, by Mrs. G. S. Fraps.

Teacher applicants are: Miss Dasher, played by Mrs. D. W. Fleming; Miss Belinda Sharp, by Mrs. L. K. Tanser; Miss Sally Simple, Mrs. J. E. Roberts; Heseiah Pendergrass, C. K. Esten. The school committee consists of Uriah Perkins, chairman, played by C. B. Godbey; Jacob Billings, played by W. M. Potts, and John Smith, played by R. R. Shrode.

Scenes during the play will take place in the one-room schoolhouse equipped with such props as benches, blackboards, teacher's table, dance stool and cap, oaken bucket, and gourd dipper.

All costumes will be authentic to the period of about 60 to 70 years ago. The main character, Heseiah Pendergrass, played by C. K. Esten of the English Department, will be dressed so that any resemblance to the legendary teacher Ichabod Crane, is purely intentional.

H. W. "Bud" Barlow, dean of engineering, will once again lead his "boys" in a concert before curtain time and during intermission. All members of the band will be appropriately dressed for the affair, representing a district school band. After play time, Barlow's band will provide musical background for a good old-fashioned "hoe down".

Profits from the affair, costing 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for school age, will be used in helping raise funds to buy new uniforms for the Consolidated High School band.

Cost of admission will pay for both play and dancing afterward. Cakes, pie, coffee, and soft drinks will be available.

Col. Umberto de Martino, flying here tomorrow from Washington, D. C., to attend the Military Ball, does not count his position as Military Attaché to the Italian Embassy as his only distinction.

The 45-year-old officer is an expert fencer, twice Champion of Italy in that sport and present holder of the U. S. National Sabre Crown. He became the first foreign national to win that award last June while participating as a member of the Washington, D. C., Fencing Club in the National Fencing Championships.

Receiving his commission as a second lieutenant in 1924, Martino served several years as a unit commander and as a physical training instructor. In 1942 he became an instructor at the Italian War College and distinguished himself in battle the following year as a member of the partisan troops in Italy.

In 1944, he became Assistant Commander of the "Legnano" Regiment and later Chief of Staff of the "Folgore" Combat group, both Italian units under Allied command.

Martino holds the Silver Medal for Valor, the second highest combat award in the Italian Army. He was appointed to his present duties in March of 1948 and also appointed to a similar post for the Italian Embassy in Canada the following year.

By way of honoring the Italian colonel, the Aggie Band will play the new Italian National Anthem during the review tomorrow afternoon. This will be the first time the anthem has ever been played in the continental United States.

A special copy of the musical score was whipped here from Washington and reproduced in the Photographic and Visual Aids Department this week.

The band will also play the French National Anthem honoring Brig. Gen. de La Boisse, Military Attaché to the French Embassy, who is accompanying Martino on the trip as another of the special guests.

## Regimental Ball Ducats Available

Invitations for the Infantry, Artillery, and Cavalry-Engineer Regimental Ball may be secured, starting Wednesday, March 15, through the First Sergeants of these regiments, said Robert Gregg, chairman of the Invitation Committee Tuesday night.

The combined Infantry, Artillery, and Cavalry-Engineer Ball is scheduled for Saturday night, April 1. Music for the dance will be furnished by the Aggieldand Orchestra, under the direction of Bill Turner.

Dorothy Ann Glass, The Fall's County Club Duchess for the Cotton Pageant and Ball will be Miss Glass, Thomas M. Criswell will be her escort.

Bill Evans, junior floriculture major from Aransas Pass, has been elected manager of the student floral organization for the 1950-51 school year.

Evans takes office immediately. He will manage the sales for the Military Ball, Cotton Ball, Senior Ring Dance, and Mother's Day, according to L. J. Tolle, retiring manager.

The federal government has authorized the Production and Marketing Administration to set up facilities to purchase 75 carloads of East Texas sweet potatoes, according to E. F. Vance, chairman of the state PMA committee.

Vance said at his headquarters here that the U. S. grade one potatoes would be purchased at the basic price.

Students place automobile in hallway, wedging it between stairs and wall. A total of eight inches clearance allows students to slip around car and disappear. At last man prepares to leave he pauses, places white card under windshield wiper blade and then slips off into the darkness.

Curious passerby on way to showers sees car, stops, leans over to look at printing on white card. Passerby breaks out into loud laughter when he sees ticket issued for "Parking in wrong area."

So far as can be determined, Saturday afternoon will be the first time the new Italian National Anthem has been played in the United States.

The list of guests, other than college guests, who will participate in the weekend activities includes Lt. Gen. LeRoy Lutes, commanding general, Fourth Army; Maj. Gen. A. R. Crawford, commanding general, 12th Air Force; Maj. Gen. W. D. Old, inspector general, USAF; Maj. Gen. K. L. Berry, state adjutant general; Maj. Gen. H. H. Johnson, commanding general, 22 Armored Division (Res.); Maj. Gen. H. M. Ainsworth, commanding general, 36th Infantry Division, Texas National Guard; Brig. Gen. Jacques de La Boisse, military attaché, French Embassy and Brig. Gen. A. R. Lueddecke, strategic planning, USAF.

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