



The "nerve center" of the Memorial Student Center is the staff of the Purchasing Department. With their offices in the new building, the department's employees have been long at work purchasing the dozens of items, both big and little, needed for the successful operation of the MSC.

From left to right, the members of the staff are Mrs. Marilyn Gower, Mrs. Jennie Spray, M. E. Thomas, purchasing agent and building superintendent; and Mrs. Glenda Brown. Mrs. Spray and Mrs. Gower are wives of A&M students, while Mrs. Brown is a resident of College Station.

## Infantry Divisions Gain As Situation Brightens

Tokyo, Aug. 22 (AP)—U. S. 25th Division infantrymen drove a numerically superior enemy force from hill positions of Southern Korea Tuesday to hold shut the land approach to Pusan port against the Red Koreans.

The action was the fiercest of the day's reported fighting. It was at Changan, 35 miles west of the No. 1 Allied port on the southeast tip of the peninsula.

The Reds all along the general 120-mile Korean battlefront appeared unable to get rolling on their poised offensives.

Three times between Monday midnight and Tuesday mid-morning the Americans of the 25th Division charged the southern hills before they could retake them from a regiment of the North Korean Sixth Division.

The bloody fighting was almost matched in ferocity a few miles to the south of Changan where another Red regiment tried to dislodge the 25th Division infantrymen from the Sobuk hills.

### Hold Back Reds

While the battle raged for the main south coast road to Pusan, Allied units hurled back Red probing attacks northwest of Taegu on the central front.

A Red road block behind U. S. lines only 10 miles north of Taegu was knocked out after it had delayed supplies to Allied troops for two hours.

Nine Russian-made tanks led a battalion of Red infantrymen against the U. S. 27th Regiment in Tuesday's pre-dawn darkness. The attack near Taegu was quickly repulsed by the Americans. Three enemy tanks were disabled or destroyed.

Northeast of Waegwan, where an

estimated 60,000 enemy troops have been massed in the mountains for a lunge at Taegu, the South Korean First Division gained mountainous ground between the towns of Mangjong and Indong. Five disabled North Korean tanks were spotted by South Korean patrols.

The Reds were thrown back in a try to move on Taegu Monday by a combination U. S. plane and artillery bombardment by night. Phosphorous shells lighted the way to the targets for the planes. Tuesday in the same area the Reds tried only the probing attack in small force. It was hurled back.

General MacArthur's Tuesday afternoon's war summary said the Taegu area was quiet after the nine-tank attack on the American 27th Regiment Tuesday morning.

### Artillery Stops Reds

Artillery of the U. S. First Cavalry Division pounded Red troops across the Nakdong River northwest of Taegu.

On the east coast, the South Korean 27th Division inched north of Pohang port with cover of U. S. naval shells. South Korean troops were reported nine miles north of South Korea's No. 2 Allied port.

The South Korean capital division moved north and east from Kigye, nine miles northwest of Pohang.

North Korean losses in men mounted with every engagement. Their casualties in four days have averaged almost 4,000 men a day, headquarters estimated.

In the deep south Red troops attacked Allied South Korean marines who had advanced 20 miles in four days since landing at Tongyong.

The South Korean amphibious troops were trying to link up their coastal position near Kosong with American forces centered in the Hamannasan area, 35 miles west of Pusan.

South Korea's President Syngman Rhee revisited the south coastal port around Masan port Tuesday. He had left threatened Taegu with his government last week to set up a new provisional capital behind the fighting front.

### Marine Field Day

West of Haman, a dusty, clabboard village on the south coast, U. S. marine corsairs had a field day straffing a large group of Red troops caught in the open.

The corsairs strafed backward and forward over the crouching troops, inflicting many casualties. Marine carrier based planes bombed and strafed a Communist command post near Chungchon in the same area.

## Former Instructor Missing in Korea

M/Sgt. Louis W. Bratton has been reported missing in action in Korea since July 20, according to a telegram received Aug. 20 from the War Department by Mrs. Juanita Bratton, 2613 Gilchrist, Bryan.

Assigned to the 19th Infantry Regiment, commanded by Col. Guy S. Meloy, former commandant at A&M, Sgt. Bratton was an assistant instructor in Infantry here from October 1946 until January 1950.

During the last war, Sgt. Bratton served overseas in the European Theater in his reserve rank of captain in command of an Infantry Company.



Ann Fleming and Jerry Odem

Ann Fleming and Jerry Odem, members of the A&M Consolidated Band, model the new band uniforms which arrived August 17. The Instrumental Music Sponsor's Club arranged to have the uniforms made while the Band Mothers, College Station Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, and S. A. Lipscomb helped finance the project. Col. R. C. Dunn, former A&M Band director, will direct the Consolidated Band.

## Senate Shouts Down Cut in Farm Prices

Washington, Aug. 22 (AP)—The Senate shouted down a proposal to roll back farm prices to pre-Korean war levels under any price control powers granted to President Truman.

The action came as members began final votes on a bill authorizing Mr. Truman to gear the nation's economy to a wartime basis.

The full legislation, if approved, would give Mr. Truman authority to involve price-wage-ration controls—if he deemed them necessary—and power to restrict credit and allot scarce materials.

### 50 Amendments

With a stack of some 50 amendments on file, the lawmakers faced a long session probably running late into the night, despite a 10-minute time limit on debate on each amendment. It was agreed to remain in session until action on the bill was completed.

At the outset, a Republican drive to tack on anti-Communist "raider" into the general controls bill was called off.

Senators Mundt (R-SD) and Ferguson (R-Mich), co-sponsors, withdrew the anti-Red amendment. The Democratic leadership had promised to fight such a rider but to call for early action on separate curb-the-Communists legislation.

The Senate began its long ordeal at a swift pace, clicking off one amendment after another by voice vote.

However, the legislation soon fell into a shouting row over an amendment by Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo.) which would

give the Commerce Department the exclusive right to handle the allocations and priorities program authorized under the bill.

The showdown brought the first defeat for administration forces. Overriding protests from majority leader Lucas (D Ill), the Senate adopted the Johnson amendment by a vote for 47 to 42. The chamber then beat down, but the same count, an administration move to reverse the vote.

On both roll call tests, 38 Republicans and nine Democrats were on the winning side. The losers were 40 Democrats and two Republicans.

Lucas contended that the Johnson amendment would give the Secretary of Commerce "more power than the President of the United States."

## No Offense Meant

There have apparently been some misinterpretations of a story in Friday's Battalion. In the front-page story concerning a fire which destroyed Dr. D. W. Andres' storage garage, the last paragraph read as follows:

"When asked why the fire wasn't discovered and reported sooner by residents in the area, a bystander said 'Someone just didn't give a damn.'"

The editors of The Battalion did not consider this an allegation against the neighbors of Dr. Andres, most of whom were away at the time of the fire. If any reader construed this from the last paragraph, we offer our apologies.

—The Editors

## Vet Medicine Staff Members Attend Meeting

Dr. I. G. Boughton, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, and five staff members are attending the 87th Annual Meeting of the American Veterinary Medical Association in Miami, Fla.

The meeting began Monday and will continue through Friday, Dr. Boughton said.

Attending the meeting with the dean are Dr. R. D. Turk, head of the Parasitology Department; Dr. J. H. Millis, head of the Veterinary Anatomy Department; Dr. H. A. Smith, head of the Veterinary Pathology Department; Dr. A. A. Lenert, head of the Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Department; Dr. F. D. Jaggi, professor in the Veterinary Bacteriology and Hygiene Department; and Dr. W. A. Boney, associate professor in the same department.

Dr. Boney will present a paper to the meeting on "Poultry Diseases in Texas," Dr. Boughton said. Dr. Turk will be chairman of a committee studying parasitic diseases.

## Houston 'System' Schedules Dance

A "Beat Korea" party will be sponsored in Houston Friday night by the Houston A&M Club System, according to "chancellor" Jackie Woods.

"Everyone is invited to the party at the Hi-Hat Club. It'll begin whenever you get there Friday night," Wood said.

Celebrating both the end of summer school and the entrance of any members into the Korea-bound armed forces, the party is the first of the season to be sponsored by the "system." Admission to the Hi-Hat is 65¢ per person, Woods said.

## At the Grove Tonight!

8 p.m., "East Side, West Side," starring Barbara Stanwyck, Ava Gardner, and Van Heflin.

## Promises Only Justice . . .

# Racket-Smashing DA Seeks State Supreme Court Spot

By TIM PARKER  
The Associated Press

(Editor's note: One of a series of biographical sketches on major candidates in the August 26 second Democratic primary election.)

Will Wilson of Dallas has come a long way in his 37 years. Now he wants to sit on the Texas Supreme Court bench.

In brief, here is the record of this youthful candidate for place 1 on the court in the Aug. 26 primary:

• Served as assistant district attorney under attorneys general Gerald C. Mann and Grover Sellers.

• Won two consecutive terms as district attorney for Dallas County. Gained considerable reputation as a "racket smasher."

• Topped the three-man field in the July 22 first primary for the supreme court post, place 1. Now faces Fagan Dickson of San Antonio and Austin in the run-off.

Squeeze in action-filled service with the 42nd Division in the Pacific during World War II and you can see that Will Wilson has been a busy man.

Wilson's grandparents combined the military and religious aspects of early Southern life. His paternal grandfather was a surgeon in Robert E. Lee's army during the Civil War. He made his home in Texas in 1885. Wilson's maternal grandfather was a Methodist circuit-riding minister in frontier Tennessee. The candidate's father is a business man, his mother a former teacher.

### Once Roughneck

After working as an oil field roughneck and surveyor in both East and West Texas, Wilson got his law degree from Southern Methodist University in Dallas. Later he taught evening law classes at SMU.

He interrupted his career as a civil lawyer to go to war. He was commanding officer of the 465th Field Artillery Battalion of the 32nd Division. As such he held American lines on Northern Luzon when the rest of the division headed for Japan. At one time he took custody of five three-star Japanese generals.

Back from the war, Wilson won a five-man race for district attorney in Dallas. He was re-elected. He became an adviser to the National Crime Conference in Washington, chairman of the Texas Bar Association's steering committee on modernizing the penal code. He is past president of the District and County Attorneys Association of Texas.

When he announced his candidacy early in May, Wilson said: "There is nothing a candidate for the Texas Supreme Court can promise the voters except justice."

## Smith to Support Ramsey in Run-off

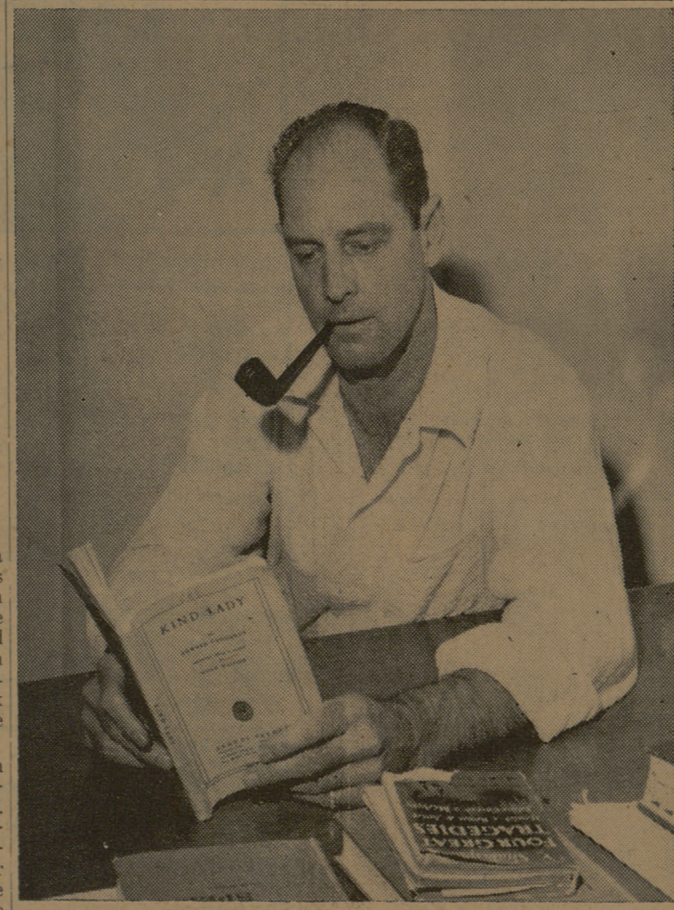
Lubbock, Texas, Aug. 22 (AP)—Rep. Preston E. Smith of Lubbock, who ran third in the 12-man race for lieutenant governor in the July Primary, yesterday announced his support of Ben Ramsey in the August runoff elections set for next Saturday.

Smith said his choice of Ramsey is based upon the latter's wide experience in state government and his already proven ability to preside over the state senate.

"I am of the opinion," representative Smith said, "that the interests of the people of Texas will be better served by Ramsey's election. I am not trying to dictate the vote of any of those who supported me in the July election, but I feel I should publicly announce my preference in the runoff."

### Vets' Wives to Meet

The Veterans' Wives Club will hold its weekly meeting Thursday night at 8 in the YMCA Cabinet Room. All prospective members are invited to attend the meeting, it was announced.



C. K. Esten

Esten, an instructor of English, has been named the new director of the Aggie Players, A&M's only student dramatic group. Esten is reading "Kind Lady," one of the three plays under consideration for production during the coming year. He will meet tonight with both old and new members of the Players to discuss plans for the fall. The meeting, to which all interested people in the community are invited, begins at 7:30 in the YMCA.

## Former Assistant Attorney General . . .

# Qualifications are Only Real Campaign Issues — Dickson

By DAVE CHEAVENS  
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(Editor's note: This is another of a series of biographical sketches on major candidates in the Aug. 26 Democratic primary election.)

Supreme Court candidate Fagan Dickson is a Texan by choice not by chance.

He came to San Antonio in 1929 to visit relatives soon after he had been licensed to practice law in Kentucky. He liked Texas so well he decided to stay.

Now after 21 years of practice and of service in key spots as assistant attorney general, Dickson is asking Texans to give him the Democratic nomination for associate justice of the State Supreme Court, place 1, in the Aug. 26 primary. His opponent in the runoff is Will Wilson of Dallas.

Dickson is bearing down hard on his experience. He says qualifications for office are the "only

real issues of the campaign." Dickson is 46, of medium height and solidly stocky. He gets his outdoor exercise hunting and fishing, or chopping cedar near his cabin on Lake Travis. He likes to read law books for pleasure and another hobby is collecting items relating to the life of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

### Born In Kentucky

Dickson was born in Kentucky where his father was a country storekeeper and livestock farmer. One of his first jobs was delivering ice with a mule and wagon.

He was graduated from Georgetown College, a Baptist institution, and took his law degree from Harvard in 1929.

Dickson began his legal career in San Antonio with the firm of Hicks, Dickson and Bobbitt, which also had offices in Laredo.

One member of the firm was Robert Lee Bobbitt, who was then

Attorney General of Texas. With Bobbitt away and the senior partner ill, the young attorney shouldered much of the firm's legal work. He handled all types of cases in the trial courts and both in the state and U. S. supreme court.

He served one term in the Texas House of Representatives, where his record shows he voted against placing a ceiling on old age pensions and against placing a sales tax in the constitution.

Dickson became an assistant attorney general under Gerald C. Mann, then under Grover Sellers. Under Attorney General Price Daniel he was first assistant. He was head of the land division, and then the important oil and gas division. He had a leading role in many cases involving proration, including the famous flare gas suits which established the Railroad Commission's right to issue orders halting waste of this natural resource.