

New Kiwanis President



Joe Motheral, (left) outgoing president of the College Station Kiwanis Club, presents the president's gavel to A. C. Magee, newly installed leader of the local civic organization. R. E.

"Prof" Jackson, principal speaker for the Annual Kiwanis Christmas Banquet at which time the installation was held, looks on.

Noted Humorist Highlights Kiwanis Christmas Banquet

"The difference in a home and a house—and in a home, said R. E. 'Prof' Jackson as he spoke last night at the Annual Kiwanis Club Christmas Banquet held in the Memorial Student Center Ball Room. 'The thing we have to do is spread that sunshine so we can look forward to a better community and in turn a better nation participating effectively and peacefully in world affairs,' he added. Speaking to a group of approximately 90 club members and their wives, the noted humorist, who is an associate professor of history and government at Texas State College for Women, kept the group laughing most of the time with his many anecdotes and jokes which were cleverly tied together as 'explanations' of his general text.

"Think Without Confusion Clearly," "Prof" Jackson, a member of the TSCW faculty for 30 years, remarked, "... we get so tired of the things we have to do, we don't enjoy the things we don't have to do."

Magee Installed as President

A. C. Magee was installed as president of the local Kiwanis organization by Edward Schreiber, lieutenant governor for the third district.

Other new officers installed at the banquet were Otis Miller, first vice-president; John Johnston, second vice-president; John Sperry, secretary; Doyle Ledbetter, treasurer; and George Summey, Jr., J. G. "Mickey" McGuire, J. B. "Dick" Hervey, John Longley, and

Joe Motheral, directors. Outgoing President Motheral reviewed the activities of the civic group during the past year. "We haven't done everything we set out to do, but we did a great deal," he commented.

Vocal Selections

Also included on the program were two vocal selections, "Desert Song" and "Some Enchanted Evening" by Jim Jordan, a junior student from Baytown. He was accompanied by Miss Betty Bolander on the piano.

W. R. Schrank, senior student from Hamilton, offered two numbers on his guitar, "Abdul Bul Bul Ameer" and "Bonaparte's Retreat."

W. L. Maples served as toastmaster for the evening, while Russell Coach introduced the speaker.

The invocation for the banquet was delivered by the Rev. James F. Jackson, pastor of the A&M Methodist Church. Background music was played throughout the dinner by Miss Bolander.

Following the program, the group was invited to remain in the Ball Room for dancing and games of bridge and canasta.

\$200,000 Bond Election Slated By City Council

By JOEL AUSTIN
Battalion City Editor

College Station City Councilmen voted last night to place a \$200,000 bond election in the hands of local voters with the polling date set at Jan. 8.

To be included in the \$200,000 issue is \$70,000 for electricity expansion and repairs, \$110,000 for a sewage disposal plant and sewerage expansions, and \$20,000 for additions to present water facilities.

If the election passes, the council agreed to sell \$60,000 of the bonds immediately to buy power lines for College Hills and make necessary improvements and also repairs on other electric lines within the city.

The rest of the bonds would be sold as the need for additional utility expansions becomes necessary. Councilmen decided that all payments on the bonds would be made from revenue from the water and sewerage utilities which they own.

Although the council and the Bryan Commission are still waiting for approval from the REA office in Washington for sale of the College Hills power lines to College Station, the local governing body was assured by Bryan authorities last night that REA approval was due here any day.

One councilman pointed out that if the Bryan-REA power lines in this College Station residential area were released for sale immediately and the bond issue is passed, the low rates offered by College Station could not be offered College Hills people until probably sometime in February if not later.

Voting Places Set

Voting places for the Jan. 8 election were set by the council. The City Hall will be voting headquarters for residents of Ward 3. Voting booths will be placed at Black's Pharmacy for people living in Ward 2 and Greiser's Electric Shop will be the place for Ward 1 residents to vote.

Officials for the various balloting places are as follows:

• Ward 1: E. O. Sieck, judge; Mrs. Ernest Langford, assistant; Mrs. F. G. Anderson and Mrs. F. R. Brison clerks.

• Ward 2: J. B. Lauterstein, judge; Mrs. F. L. Thomas, Sr., assistant; Mrs. A. B. Stevens and Mrs. P. W. Burns clerks.

• Ward 3: Lloyd Smith, judge; Mrs. W. B. Clements, assistant; Mrs. W. R. Fitch and Mrs. A. P. Boyett clerks.

Town Meeting Set

A Town Meeting has been scheduled for this week (the date and time is still uncertain) to bring interested citizens together with the City Council to discuss the forthcoming bond election.

The meeting is to be held at A&M Consolidated High School as soon as arrangements can be made with school authorities.

The council decided to hold the third annual all day Open House at the City Hall, Dec. 22. Coffee and fruit cake will be served visitors during the day.

Borden Winner Will Be Named At Vet Meeting

The 1950 Borden Award to the senior veterinary medicine student with the highest grade point ratio will be made tonight at the regular meeting of the Junior American Veterinary Medicine Association, Dr. I. B. Boughton dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine said today.

Newton Lamb, director quality control for the southern division of the Borden Company will present the check to the winner at the 8:10 p. m. Meetings in the Veterinary Hospital.

The \$300 award which is presented annually by the milk company to the senior vet med student with the highest grade point ratio was won last year by Hugh M. Wallace, Dr. Boughton stated.

Wallace who had a GPR of 2.89 for his first three years in the vet school is now in private practice following his graduation last June.

The award has been presented annually to senior vet med students at A&M for the last six years, Dr. Boughton continued.

Life Committee Revises Points For Activities

A sweeping revision of the Student Activities "Point System" met the unanimous approval of the Student Life Committee last night. The group was holding its regular monthly meeting in the MSC Senate Chambers.

Reallocation of activity points had been considered by the governing body at its November meeting. The revised list, compiled by a special sub-committee, passed with only one amendment.

The new distribution of the points is aimed at limiting extra-curricular participation on the part of students by evaluating various student positions in accordance with the amount of time required in each job.

Main objection to the previous point allocation was that it was outdated and otherwise not justified in many instances by the work and time requirements of the student.

The new list, which will go into effect during the 1951-52 school year, reduces four previous "10-point positions." No student is allowed to engage in activities, the sum of the values of which is more than 10 points.

Dropped from the maximum point positions were the editorships of the four A&M magazines—The Agriculturist, The Engineer, The Commentator and The Southwestern Veterinarian. Each of the posts is now worth six points.

The only amendment to the sub-committee's proposed list concerned possible co-editors of the magazines. Although Student Publication regulations do not prohibit them, co-editors of both The Battalion and The Aggeland are required by present regulations.

The committee as a whole decided by unanimous vote to allow magazine co-editors two-thirds the value of a single editorship. This means that magazine co-editor's job will be valued at four points next year.

Dropped entirely from the activities point system were the jobs of vice-presidents and secretary-treasurers of various student organizations. These positions had formerly been valued at two points.

Additions to the list included president, MSC Council; vice-president, Student Senate; secretary, Student Senate; sports editor, The Battalion; and vice-president, MSC Council. The first four jobs were added at a value of six points each. The latter position will be worth four points.

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Active Duty Tours Open to Graduates

Several thousand Air Force second lieutenants will be offered tours of active duty during the next seven months, the Air Force announced yesterday.

Officers will be recruited largely from AFROTC graduates and reservists who wish to apply for active duty.

Vacancies have been created by the current expansion of the service by Congress.

Opportunity for extended active duty is open particularly to AFROTC graduates desiring flying or technical training and are desirous of remaining on active duty as potential career officers.

Rain Report Shows 1950 Not Driest

It is not as dry as you think it's here at College Station according to the records kept by the United States Department of Agriculture at the Main Experiment Station.

These records have been kept since 1889 and record the rainfall for each month since that time.

The first eleven months of 1950, yielded a total of 31.67 inches of precipitation for the College Station area. This amount is 7.25 inches short of the annual average of 38.92.

Thus far this year can be classified as one of the drier years but far from the driest. The driest year recorded at the weather station was 1917 when only 15.50 inches of rain fell on College Station.

The wettest year on record was 1900 when 60.75 inches fell here. For the three month period of September, October, and November, the 1950 records show this year to be the fifth driest three month period on record. During this time in 1950, 3.25 inches fell, while for the same period in 1915, only .45 inches of rain fell on this area.

The wettest three month period of September, October and November, was in 1889 when 21.03 inches fell on College Station.

Texas' Long Battle Over Tidelands Lost

Austin, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Texas' long court fight to defend title to tidelands it has claimed since the days of the Republic was lost finally in Washington yesterday.

The federal government won, but the supreme court in its final decree conceded a point figured to be worth more than \$8,000,000 to school children.

Texas' only remaining recourse was to federal legislation that would cede title to the states. Attorney General Price Daniel and Land Commissioner Bascom Giles both said they would carry the fight to Congress. Gov. Allan Shivers agrees.

The U. S. Supreme Court issued a decree ordering Texas and Louisiana to account for oil royalties obtained from the submerged lands in the Gulf.

It enjoined them from using the tidelands without permission of the federal government, which has, the court said, "paramount rights in, and full dominion and power over, the lands, minerals and other things" in the disputed area.

The states must account for royalties beginning as of June 5, 1950. That means lease payments or royalties collected prior to then all belong to Texas, Daniel said.

The Department of Justice had asked the court to make the accounting date from June 23, 1947. Giles figured Texas' gain under this point to be \$8,297,707.54.

June 5 was the date the Supreme Court decided, 4 to 3, that the federal government has top rights to lands under the marginal seas of Texas and Louisiana. The June 23, 1947, date was when the court had ruled similarly in regard to California's tidelands.

Unprejudiced

Giles called today's Supreme Court action "at least one small instance of unprejudiced justice" in the legal review of the controversy.

Arts, Sciences Plan Meetings To Orient Fish

Departmental clubs of the School of Arts and Sciences will hold special meetings beginning Jan. 8 to acquaint freshmen with what various departments and their organizations have to offer, the Arts and Sciences Council decided last night.

Clifford H. Ransdall, assistant to the dean of the Basic Division, had previously addressed the group and told them through the proposed club meetings, the council would provide freshmen an invaluable service.

A first year man will be able to meet heads of the departments, talk with them concerning various fields of that department, meet students of that department, and decide with more accuracy what course he is most qualified to take and in which he is most interested.

Club meetings will be considered a definite part of the freshman's orientation program. When a freshman signs up to attend a meeting, he will be expected to be present at that particular meeting. Rolls will be checked, Ransdall told the group.

Joe Murphy, chairman of the committee for betterment of faculty-student relations, presented an eight point list of proposed suggestions for council vote. It was decided that suggestions would be mimeographed, distributed to members for their possible amendment, and consideration, and voted upon at the next meeting on Jan. 8.

Representative to the Inter-Council, Joe Perry, gave a report on the afternoon meeting of that body.

Guion to Close

Guion Hall will be closed tomorrow from 1 p. m. until 6 p. m., during a recording session of the Aggie band and Singing Cadets, according to Tom Puddy, Guion Hall manager.

Lady in Red . . .

NTSC Vaudeville Show Features Songs to Magic

By B. F. ROLAND

Miss Lesley Ryall, a cute brunette in a flaming red dress, was the hit of the show last night, when the Collegiate Review from North Texas State College made its appearance on the Guion Hall stage.

The co-ed from North Texas sang "That Old Feeling" and "Happiness Is Just A Thing Called Joe" in a warm sweet voice that brought the house down. The cute miss was visibly impressed by the roar of applause that signaled the end of her numbers.

The band led off under the direction of Gene Hall, director of the department of modern music at NTSC, with their home-made arrangements of "I Cover The Waterfront" and "Rhapsody In Blue." The second number was taken from Glenn Miller's arrangement of the Gershwin classic.

Following Miss Ryall's songs were two more band numbers, "Temptation" and "Sbade of Blue," which featured "Cyclops" Manning on the alto sax. Manning plays saxophone in Ray McKinley's band in Dallas.



'Cyclops' Manning

Greene Triple Winner In Slide Rule Contest

By DON DIDIER

Triple winner of the freshman slide rule contest was Donald G. Greene, Architecture major from Gladewater, who left the assembly hall yesterday evening richer by two plaques and a slide rule.

Green was top scorer of the contest with 275 out of a possible 300. He was presented the top award plaque by the President of the College, M. T. Harrington.

The five high scorers who received slide rules were Greene, Robert Charles Kietzman, EE major from Houston, Daniel Olin Atkinson, Pet. En. Fort Worth, William Richard Casbeer, CE, Lampasas, and Robert Thomas Miller, Geol. Eng., Houston. Dr. Howard W. Barlow, Dean of Engineering, made the presentations.

Students with no prior college work who were contest winners in their various fields are: Gordon C. Hrabel, aeronautical engineering; James S. Milligan, agricultural engineering; Donald G. Greene, architecture; Ide P. Trotter, Chemical Engineering; William R. Casbeer, civil engineering; Frank J. Way, electrical engineering.

Robert T. Miller, geological engineering; Larry L. McCelvey, management engineering; Samuel

Jahn, mechanical engineering; Daniel O. Atkinson, petroleum engineering.

In the group that have had some prior college work winners were: Robert Charles Kietzman, first place; Clifford August Schaefer, second; Donald Harold Niederer, third place. The plaques were presented by the department heads.

Every participant in the contest was presented a small plaque by Dr. John R. Bertrand, Dean of the Basic Division, who urged more students to take part in the annual sliderule competition.

The Mechanical Engineering Shops, under the supervision of Professors D. W. Fleming, M. W. Watson, and H. G. Stallings, designed and made the plaques that were awarded in the contest.

Ocean Research Council Appointed

Dale F. Leipper, head of the Department of Oceanography announced today that a nationwide council for ocean wave research has been established by the Engineering Foundation.

The council, sponsored jointly by the four major engineering societies, (Civil, Mechanical, Electrical, and Mining Engineering) has a four-fold purpose: to encourage and sponsor research on wind-generated waves and related problems; to review the results of laboratory and field studies; to develop and design methods and procedures for the use of practicing engineers; to publish the findings; and to recommend assignment to appropriate agencies such continuing services as are desirable.

Court to Define Boycotts

Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The Supreme Court agreed yesterday to define the scope of the Taft-Hartley law's ban on secondary boycotts by labor unions.

In such boycotts a union seeks to win a labor dispute by trying to compel other companies to stop doing business with the firm directly involved.

The court accepted four different cases on which to base its final ruling.