

Senate OK's Foreign Student Scholarship, Chapel Project

A&M will definitely have a scholarship to bring a European student to this college next year, unless plans of the Student Senate go far astray.

The Senate, meeting last night in the Senate Chamber of the Memorial Student Center, voted unanimously in approval of a motion by Allan Eubank to make plans to bring a foreign student to A&M. Only one vote was cast against the motion.

Money for financing the scholarship would be obtained from the Campus Chest drive. Last year's drive netted enough to finance a Twelfth Man Scholarship and to contribute well over \$500 to the World Student Service Fund.

Replaces WSSF

Under Eubank's proposal, the "foreign student scholarship" will be substituted for the WSSF gift. The scholarship will be for one year and will give the selected student \$300. This scholarship may be renewed from year to year if he makes satisfactory progress.

The student will be brought in as a freshman and preferably made a member of the Corps of Cadets, Eubank said. Another motion by him was passed, one which will request the president of the college to waive requirements of paying the \$125 out-of-state fee and for the necessity of being a graduate student.

Three countries in Europe have been tentatively selected as the recipient of the award. Joe Fuller's motion that the student body vote on one of the three—Germany, Austria, or Norway—was passed by the senators. A blank would be left on the ballot for write-ins.

Thefts to be Checked

Three men were named to a committee to "investigate thefts of articles at Texas University Thanksgiving and to take appropriate action." Named were Dan Davis, Bill Cornish, and Joe Johnson.

Several senators told of incidents happening to them or to friends, claiming the theft of uniforms, bags, and other belongings during the corps trip to Austin Nov. 30.

Bennie Zinn, assistant dean of men, told the governing body that \$1,160 worth of uniforms and other equipment had been reported stolen. He said Texas University officials were working on the situation and had returned "some of the lost articles."

The special Senate committee meets with Zinn today at 3 p. m. to begin work on the problem.

Endorsement of the Senate was given to a report, written by Curtis

Edwards, which will request an inter-faith chapel for the A&M campus. Edwards, chaplain of the Senate and president of the Inter-Faith Council, will send the report to Dr. M. T. Harrington, president of the college.

"We expect to finance the building by private donations," Edwards said. "We would like to show our officials that student sentiment is behind such a drive."

W. D. "Pusher" Barnes made the motion to endorse Edwards' proposal, seconded by Joe Johnson.

Senate approval was also given to a plan proposed by Texas Tech students to create a "Who's Who in Texas Colleges and Universities." The plan, brought up by

the Tech delegation at a recent meeting of the Texas Intercollegiate Students Association executive committee in Houston, is expected to go before the TISA convention here in March.

TISA Subjects

Eight subjects were selected by the senators as their choices for panel discussions at the spring convention. They were "extent of student control in college affairs," "foreign students," "finance (for student government groups)," "student price control," "how to stimulate interest in student government," "faculty evaluation," "cultural entertainment," and "sportsmanship and intercollegiate relations."

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Boatner Clarifies Cadet Draft Status

Col. H. L. Boatner, PMS&T and commandant, this morning released a statement explaining how A&M Cadet Corps students stand in the present draft situation.

The statement was prompted by the post-holiday rash of conflicting newspaper stories and rumors concerning ROTC deferments, selective service, and mass enlistment of college students.

It reads:

Students have returned from the holidays with a rash of new rumors concerning Selective Service.

Selective Service now is being processed in accordance with the law passed by the last Congress. No changes can be made in that law by local draft boards but must be made by the new Congress now in session. This will take time for deliberation, approval, and then implementation by draft boards throughout the United States.

Necessary forms have been forwarded on all advanced ROTC contract students in this college to effect their deferment from the draft and get them placed in category 1-D. Similar action has been taken on all Sophomore students in the ROTC.

Those students enrolled in Freshman Military Science are now entitled to deferment by virtue of being in college, and an ROTC draft deferment will be processed on each individual student during March or April 1951. This will place them also in category 1-D.

It must be realized that Selective Service officials, and especially local boards, are working largely as volunteers and, in general, have not had long experience in administering the current Selective Service law and are subjected to considerable pressure of business.

They discuss and give oral decisions daily on individual cases involving many different elements, and these for various reasons.

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Ag Fraternity To Be Installed Early in March

A student chapter of Alpha Zeta, national agricultural honor fraternity, will be installed at A&M early in March, C. N. Sheppardson, dean of the School of Agriculture, said today.

Petition for the Aggie chapter was presented to the national organization meeting in Kansas City last week. Marvin Iwenhafel, senior Ag Eco major from La Grange, who holds an Opportunity Awards Scholarship and John Oglesby of Goldthwaite, a senior in agricultural education, presented the petition for the chapter. They are members of the A&M Agricultural Honor Society, and were elected to present the petition.

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Hospital Patients Given Xmas Party

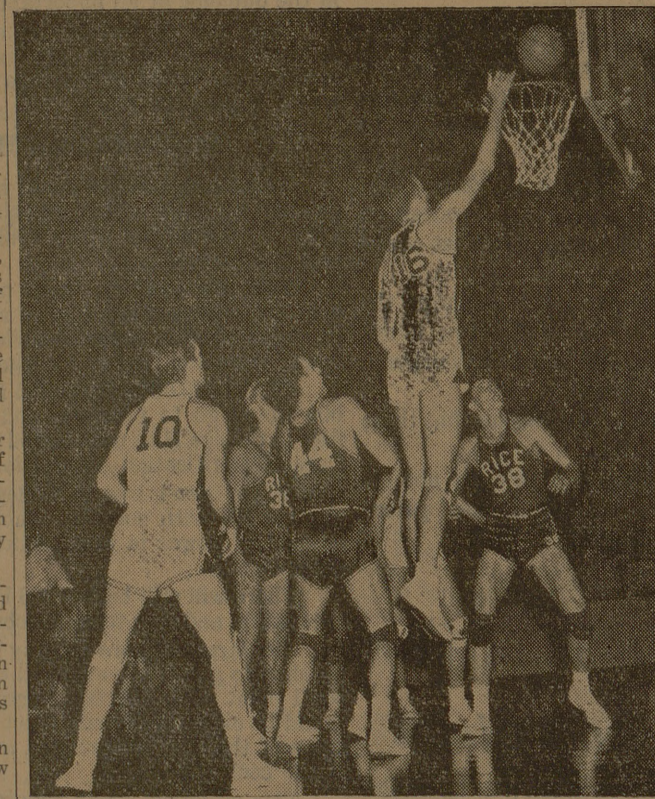
Patients at McCloskey Veterans Administration Center hospital, Temple, Texas, received gifts of apples on Christmas Eve as a result of money collected at the Annual Christmas party given by the Dean of Men's Office.

The party, given in the Housing Office, was attended by approximately 60 members of the staff and guests of the Dean's Office. Each contributed twenty-five cents toward buying the veterans' gift.

Santa Claus, played by Herschel Burgess, distributed the gifts. Coffee and cookies were served.

The guest list included Chancellor Gib Gilchrist; Assistant to the Chancellor E. L. Angell; Henderson Shuffler, head of the Information Department; President Emeritus Frank C. Bolton, President M. T. Harrington, and Dean of the College C. C. French.

Cadet Cagers Bump Rice Owls For First SWC Victory, 51-39



Buddy Davis, versatile, tall Cadet center, plops in another two points for the Aggies during last night's 51-39 victory over the Rice Owls. All-Conference Jewell McDowell (10) looks on while the conference's leading scorer, until last night, Joe McDermott (44) and other Owl cagers look on helplessly.

Floyd's Quintet Displays Confidence With Easy Win

By RALPH E. GORMAN

A&M's aggressive cage quintet opened the 1951 conference campaign with a bang that was heard throughout Texas and submerged the Rice Owls 51-39.

It was the best offense and defense that Coach Dan Suman's Owls could offer, but it wasn't enough to do the job, as the Cadets exhibited cool calmness in winning their first conference contest.

Some 3,900 DeWare Field House fans howled and cheered as a game that had started slow—only five points being scored in the first seven minutes—then showed gallez-like swiftness, as the Floydmen gained a comfortable 14 points margin six minutes deep in the second half.

Aggies Show Confidence

Sparkling ability that showed control, deftness, and, most of all, confidence were the outstanding characteristics of an Aggie cage team that has seen-sawed through 11 preconference bouts to mark the win column five times.

Jewell McDowell, Buddy Davis, Marvin Martin, Leroy Miksch—these are the names that the partisan fans will remember for weeks to come, as they displayed remarkable prowess in defending their goal like the cover of an eight day blizzard.

Davis Throttles McDermott

Exemplifying this is last night's statistical record of Rice's Joe McDermott, who, prior to the Aggie encounter, was high point man among SWC cage stars with an 18 point game average.

It was the 6' 8" frame of A&M's Davis that stood in front of McDermott on every move and allowed him to credit a minute six points for the Houston quint.

Not Allowed To Shoot

Leading 22-18 at halftime, the Cadet cagers returned for the final period with a defense that allowed the Instigators only four field goal attempts in the first 12 minutes of the second half, while the Aggie lead grew with "leaps, chunks, and rebounds."

Cadet mainstay Davis fouled out of the conference opener with seven minutes remaining on the clock and Rice's Gerhardt followed (See AGGIES, Page 2)

New Building, Equipment Aid Local Cleaners

New equipment including an 800 gallon storage tank and a 3,200 gallon-per-minute pressure filter has been combined with reconditioned equipment to facilitate cleaning, Joel C. English, manager of the Campus Cleaners, said yesterday.

The new \$23,000 building with 50 per cent more floor space and three times as much rack space is expected to increase the efficiency greatly. Two day service, except in case of emergencies, will be standard, English added.

The space formerly occupied by the Former Student Association owned and operated project will remain open as a receiving station, along with the Campus Corner station. Cleaning will also be accepted at the new building adjacent to the college laundry.

According to Carl A. Birdwell, Exchange Store manager, most of the space formerly occupied by the Cleaners will be utilized by the store for storage as soon as the Western Union station housed in the East corner of the building is moved and an elevator installed.

\$300 Turf Research Gift Received by Ag Station

A check for \$300 has been received by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, toward the turf research fund, Dr. R. D. Lewis, station director, announces.

Voting Places Set For Bond Election

Three College Station voting places will open at 8 a. m. Monday for balloting on a \$200,000 utility bond issue.

Greiser's Electric Service, Black's Pharmacy, and the City Hall will house the ballot boxes from the three city wards. These voting places will be open until 7 p. m., city officials announced today.

Included in the bond issue will be \$70,000 for electrical expansions, \$20,000 for water main extensions, and \$110,000, for the eventual construction of a sewage disposal plant.

MSC Opening Third, SMU Win Fourth

Basic Division, Harrington Inauguration Top 1950 Stories

By DAVE COSLETT

It was an eventful year, this departed 1950—on our own campus as well as in the nation and the world. They called it the mid-century, a year in which changes were fast and startling.

Thus it seems only natural in selecting the top ten stories of the past year that The Battalion staff should award the number one spot to one of the most revolutionary plans attempted on this campus in some time.

But before we get ahead of ourselves, we'll explain how what we consider the top local events of 1950 were chosen. A full slate of happenings was selected from back files of our papers. This list was narrowed down to about half its original size. One more vote determined the final rankings of the stories.

The following then is what we consider the highlights of 1950. You may remember some of them well. Others may have slipped your mind. We hope, though, that you'll agree with us that these stories or events were the most important, the most prominent or the most far-reaching in their effect of all that shared space in the paper with them.

1. The Establishment of the Basic Division—This story first broke on Jan. 16 when a banner headline announced that the Class of '54 would be housed on the Campus. Bryan Field, or the Annex, was doomed after a definitely unpopular existence of almost four years. There were probably few of the readers who more than glanced at this business about a "Basic Division." That part of the story, though, was by far the more revolutionary happening. A&M was stepping into fields as yet unknown to higher education in the South. So far, indications are that the step was a wise one, indeed. We feel that the future will insure that it was.

But the rest of our top story was written some time later under a headline that was nearly lost among the big events of a Parent's day week-end. This was the announcement that things would be different for others besides the freshmen. It was called a "housing" change and laid the framework for another slightly less than revolutionary change around these parts. The story explained new rulings preventing seniors without rank from living with a regular outfit. Thus arose this year's numerous Senior Companies. It also gave sophomores, for the first time, a choice between living in an outfit or not doing so. Non-contract juniors found themselves civilian students when the new school year started. Many dire predictions were made concerning the new set-up, but so far no results of a disastrous nature have shown.

2. Inauguration of President M. T. Harrington with "Ike" as Main Speaker—A cold, windy day found dignitaries of every kind and description witnessing another revolutionary event at A&M—the inauguration of the first Aggie-ex to become president of the College. To students, exes and supporters of A&M generally, this move promised an even brighter future for the school. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who made the main address for the ceremonies, strengthened the confidence

of all that heard him. His recent appointment as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe cinches his previously strong bid as outstanding campus visitor of the year.

3. Opening of the Memorial Student Center—The number three spot went unquestionably to the September 20 story that showed, incredibly as it seemed, that this long awaited addition to the campus was even more magnificent than most of us had dared to hope.

The first month or two found the MSC not-yet-completed, but, step by step, it became just what we had been promised—A&M's Living Room. Its effects are just now beginning to be felt by the student body. We feel that the \$2,000,000 structure will eventually bring about one of the most far-reaching changes yet felt on the campus.

4. The SMU Victory and Corps Trip—Certainly one of the most enjoyable events of the last year, our fourth place choice will probably retain a place in the memories of others besides Aggies. Few will deny that the game itself was the best played in the conference this year. As important as that, though, is the perfect Corps Trip that probably won more good will for A&M students than any event of the past several years. Of course, the presentation of Aggie Sweetheart "Dot" Mangum didn't hurt a bit. And those that are up on their football statistics will always remember the amazing performance of Bob Smith that found the Aggie All-American rushing for a record 306 yards and scoring two touchdowns.

5. The Prexy Cup Bowl Game—And the gridiron furnished the next top story of 1950, too. Only this was a Yankee gridiron on which the inspired Texas Aggies followed a Bob Smith-led march through Georgia which left the vaunted Southerners trampled 40-20 in the wet turf. "Bruisin' Bob" made the boys up East sit up and take notice when he hugged the pigskin to his side and roared 100 yards for a touchdown on the opening play kick-off. Before he was through, Smith accounted for 302 yards in the University of Maryland's Byrd Stadium. The game was the first bowl appearance for the Aggies since 1944. The few who saw it and the millions who listened to the game will long remember it.

6. "Colonel Joe" Leaves for Active Duty—Most of the corps members felt that an A&M institution had gone when they saw the number six story of the year on September 22. Lt. Col. Joe Davis turned over his long-time reign as assistant to the commandant to the capable hands of Lt. Col. M. P. Bowden. Colonel Joe, who first took the duties as a regimental commander at Camp Chafee, Ark., . . . is now head of the ROTC program in Texas with offices in Austin.

7. Anniversary Day—Aggieland moved into its seventy-fifth year Oct. 4 with an impressive program that rated the lucky seven spot on our yearly round-up. The day marked the opening of a year-long series of celebrations marking the Diamond Anniversary of A&M. Looking back over a successful past, Texas' oldest state college looked to an even brighter future.

8. Safety Awards—The Battalion is extremely proud to point to an eighth place story that showed it winning its second national first

place in as many years. The 1950 award was for national first place in the Lumberman Mutual Insurance Companies' Contest on Safe Driving, daily division. Gov. Allan Shivers was on hand April 4 to see the paper receive \$500 and a certificate of editorial excellence. The Batt also received the National Safety Council's Public Interest Award. Best reward, though, was a return from Christmas vacations that found all students safe and sound. No traffic deaths were reported this year either as the paper published its second annual safety edition.

9. Presentation of the Liberty Bell Replica to A&M—The number nine top event took place while most students were away on summer vacation. But they found out about it upon their return to the campus when the replica of the famous Liberty Bell took the spot in the Academic Building long held by the trophy case. Gov. Shivers was here to make the presentation on July 5 and commented, "The campus

Top City Stories Named

With its selection of the top stories of the year, The Battalion Staff has also named the top three city stories of 1950.

Heading the list is the mid-night fire which completely destroyed the home of J. H. Bogard at 218 Harrington Drive in College Hills on July 28.

Resulting in a near \$17,000 damage, the fire brought about much controversy concerning the adequacy of fire fighting facilities in College Station. The City Council appointed a special committee to investigate the possibilities of increased fire protection. The committee has yet to finish its survey.

Next on the list was the scare caused early last January when several rabid dogs were discovered about the city. A state of emergency was declared by the mayor while the situation was being brought under control. The story with the mayor's proclamation of a state of emergency was carried in the January 11 edition.

The story which asked College Station residents to limit their consumption of water during a critical shortage in August rated third place in the selections. Early August found College Station water reservoirs dangerously low with no relief in sight. The situation lasted for over a week.

of Texas A&M College is a logical depository for this relic." Many other colleges and cities of Texas had requested possession of the bell.

10. The Negro Question in TISA—The nomination for the final place in our top ten stories went to one of the controversial questions of the year. The Texas Intercollegiate Student Association, of which A&M is a member, was to decide whether or not to admit delegates from Negro colleges. In a stormy session, the A&M Student Senate, voted against Negro admittance to send the Aggie delegates to the TISA convention so instructed. The TISA shelved the question for further consideration. Much pro and con argument was heard on the campus and will probably arise again when the body, representing

student governments of most Texas schools, meets on the campus in early March of this year.

Those, then, were the top 10 stories of 1950 in The Battalion. Perhaps others should have been included. Many came close to the nomination. Among the near-chances were the Guion Hall controversy of a year ago, the "Boots to Boutonniers" style show, the SMU "bulldog incident," the Baylor "bear incident," the Military Ball, the Cotton Ball, the Sakamoto story, the visit by Glenn McCarthy and the meeting of the Texas Legislative Council.

Realizing that some of the stories of 1950 that rated special notice could not be rated in the top 10, we would like to make special recognition to a few other events, stories and personalities.

In this category we find the following:

1. Best Human Interest Story—Unanimous choice here went to the death of Spot, unofficial mascot of A&M for the past several years. A black-bordered box announced that the large, well-known canine had been struck by an auto on October 12. The following day another story recounted the known life of the usually indifferent dog who probably visited more classrooms during his time here than most students. Many of our female readers were extremely sad over the news.

2. Most Unusual Story—Here again the vote was all for the winner, a tale of the 230-pound senior who fell through the M.E. shop roof to land on top of Prof. R. A. "Pop" Downard. Downard, who was knocked unconscious, remarked, "That's the first one that ever came through the roof to see me." The humor of the story was heightened by a misspelled headline that read, "Student Drops From Sky, Floors Unseeing Prof."

3. Best Wire Coverage—The Korean Situation receives the nod on this one. The Battalion, which picked up the first reports of trouble from the Associated Press in the latter part of June has been able to furnish local readers with the latest coverage in this area due to a night and early morning Associated Press wire service plus the peculiarity of time differences in Korea that bring most big story breaks in the early morning hours here.

4. Best Feature of the Year—Former co-editor Bill Billingsley, now a staffer of the San Angelo Standard Times, penned this one, a long but interesting account of another former co-editor, Kenneth Bond. The story appeared Feb. 9. Bond is now A&M's sports publicity director and Billingsley is placing good features aplenty before West Texas readers.

5. Odds and Ends—Just so we don't miss anything we might name Religious Emphasis Week Speaker Dr. Henry Crane as the most interesting personality to visit the campus . . . the Spike Jones Show as the most over-publicized event of the year . . . Dub King's resignation as the most under-publicized event of the year . . . the Rice game as most heartbreaking loss of the year . . . the draft as best grade-point booster of the year . . . and females, still most popular campus visitors of the year.