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American, French Troops Reoccupy Korean Rail Center

Tokyo, Jan. 10.—(AP)—American and French troops with tanks today fought back into the strategic central Korean road-rail hub of Wonju.

The town had been abandoned to the Reds Monday after two days of tough fighting over it.

Field dispatches said a company-size patrol smashed a Red Korean counterattack and rolled into Wonju from the southeast.

The Second Division company with French support drove through deep snow into Wonju along the main highway from Chechon.

There were no Reds in the city, AP correspondent William Barnard reported from the Second Division front.

Other elements of the division ground 100 yards closer to Wonju from the south against a strong counterattack by six Red battal-

ions. This force, fighting up the main Chungju-Wonju road, last was reported two miles from the road center.

Assault Launched
The American-French assault teams launched their assault to retake Wonju in a swirling snowstorm Tuesday. They fought through a hail of enemy mortar and small arms fire.

Wonju controls a web of roads leading into the heart of South Korea.

The attack by the Second Division veterans of the Nakdong and Chongchon River battles of last summer was the biggest United Nations offensive effort in days.

"We are in contact with North Koreans now and we intend to give them hell," the Allied commander said as the attack started.

Christmaslike Scenes

Correspondent Barnard said the battle scene was like a Christmas card picture. He added:

"There was the soft white valley, majestic frosted mountains and a peaceful looking road. . . Snow sifted down.

"But murderous enemy fire from foothills . . . swept the valley and the road. The thunder of Allied artillery rolled continuously and echoed through the valley and around the peaks.

"Small arms fire crackled incessantly. Enemy mortar fire found the road. . . snipers lay on their stomachs in the snow."

Escape Threatened

The French-American force obviously was fighting to throw off balance the Communist drive down central Korea's mountain roads. The Red thrust threatened the Taegon-Taegu escape corridor for Eighth Army forces withdrawing in the west toward the old Allied Pusan beachhead.

General MacArthur's Wednesday afternoon war summary said a "very large" Communist force strung along a 70-mile front from Osan to Wonju was "capable of mounting a powerful offensive supported in great depth."

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Fertilizermen Begin Meeting Here Today

Experts of the Agricultural Experiment Station and other organizations will take part in the program of the Texas Fertilizer Conference here Wednesday and Thursday.

Following the welcome by C. N. Sheppard, dean of the School of Agriculture, J. D. Prewitt, vice director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will discuss the national cotton program for 1951.

J. B. Page, professor of agronomy, will explain why soils differ in their response to fertilizers.

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The Freshman Ball Queen Committee has announced that it will be ready to accept pictures Friday of candidates for the Freshman Ball Queen.

Any freshman may enter his girl's picture in the contest by submitting a 5" x 7" or larger bust portrait and snap-shot photo. The girl's name, age, measurements, and addresses should be written on the back of the portrait.

The name, dorm, and room number of the freshman entering the contest should also be included.

A freshman from each company will be chosen to serve on the judging committee and to collect the pictures from his company.

Pictures must be in by Jan. 20, to enable the committee to pick the six finalists.

Three members of the Range and Forestry Department attended the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Cleveland, Ohio Dec. 26-30.

Dr. Omer E. Sperry, Dr. Robert A. Darrow, and Dr. Harold F. Heady represented A&M at the meeting of the national organization of scientists and affiliated organizations.

Dr. Sperry and Dr. Darrow presented papers at the Botanical Section meetings of the Association.

Ag School Makes Course Additions

Charles N. Sheppard, dean of the School of Agriculture, announced today several new courses in Agriculture will be offered at the beginning of the spring semester.

These courses offered for the first time at A&M are Physical Properties of Soil, Soil Microbiology, and Dairy Manufacturing.

'50 Vanity Fair Girl



Cherry Blair

Cover girl for this week's issue of Collier's and frequent visitor of the campus, Miss Blair holds a number of beauty titles. The Amarillo lass, a University of Texas sophomore, was included in the Aggeland '50's "Vanity Fair" and a finalist in competition for sweetheart of the Artillery Regiment in November.

Business Group Opens New Offices

By ED HOLDER

The Business Department has moved into their new and modern offices in the \$115,000 wing on Mark Francis Hall.

Seven class rooms and seven offices, as well as a supply room and two modern rest rooms, compose the wing.

Modern Features

Everything is modern. The class rooms, which will go into use at the beginning of the new semester, are each of a different color scheme. They have new and modern heating systems and fluorescent lights of the latest design.

Hat racks, coat hangers, and book shelves add to the accommodations designed for the students' comfort. Reversible movie screens for the showing of pictures while the rooms are lighted also add to the modernness of the rooms. These screens are designed so the students may take notes about the picture while it is being shown.

All new furniture is being installed as well as many new adding machines and a special tabulating machine.

Some of the furniture however, due to the war effort, has been delayed in being delivered since it is of all-steel construction.

Venetian blinds are another convenience in the class rooms, and

Craft Committee Sets First Meet Tonight

The Craft Committee of the MSC will hold its first meeting tonight in Room 2B of the Memorial Center to elect officers. Carl Moeller, sponsor of the group, will be in charge of the meeting.

Aggie Debaters



Photo by Battalion Chief Photographer Sam Molinary

Paul Jones, left, sophomore pre-law student from Dallas and James Farmer, junior accounting student from College Station are admiring the debate trophy they won when they defeated entries from nine other colleges and universities at the Forensic Tournament in Houston in November.

the office of T. W. Leland, head of the department, is equipped with glass venetian blinds, as well as an attractive waiting room for the added convenience of the students.

Some classes will be held in the new wing, but due to lack of sufficient space, several classes will still be held in Splitter Village.

In the future, the Business Department plans to take over all of Francis Hall, when the Veterinary Medicine Department, now occupying the main building, moves to their new building yet to be constructed.

Alexander Writes Article On Disposal of Rainfall

"The contribution of Texas agriculture to the nation's economy will be determined largely by what we do with our rainfall," E. R. Alexander says in an article in the book, "Water and Man."

This and other matters pertaining to water are pointed out by the head of the Agricultural Education Department.

"The Texas Farmer," Alexander says, "is already irrigating two and one half million acres of land."

Expansion of irrigation, he writes, "has reached a limit except in a few areas. Our State Conservation Association is wisely planning for conservation of ground water."

Alexander says "The program of the State Soil and Water Conservation Board is beginning at the

right spot—out on the land away from the streams and the cities."

Alexander issued a warning that "we must stop all wild flowing waters; we need to stop the pollution of useful ground water by salt water and other ground waters carrying so much minerals that the water cannot be used for domestic purposes or for irrigation."

He said in the article that "our lack of useful water is keeping many large industrial plants out of Texas. Expansion of irrigation and increase of industrialization have hit head-on in their need for water."

"Business men and farmers in Texas," he pointed out, "must join together to solve this water problem."

Forestry Service Offers Seedlings

A half million free slash pine seedlings, furnished by the Texas Forestry Association and purchased from the Texas Forest Service, a part of the A&M system, are still available to East Texas youth.

These pines are offered without cost to schools, Future Farmers of America, 4-H Clubs, Boy Scouts, and other youth organizations. Veteran vocational agriculture students are also eligible.

Orders for the free seedlings will not be accepted after Jan. 10.

Kelleher Receives Aviation Award

James F. Kelleher of Kaufman, a graduate student in aeronautical engineering has been named to receive a scholarship awarded by North American Aviation, Inc., Inglewood, Calif.

Kelleher, the son of Major and Mrs. Frank W. Kelleher, will receive \$250 for the current school year.

North American makes the award each year to help a graduate student fit himself "for a career that will contribute to the advancement of the aircraft industry."

Daily Board Upped 12 Cents To Meet Increased Food Prices

By SID ABERNATHY

The price of meals in both of A&M's dining halls will be increased 12 cents per day or \$3.60 per month beginning with the Spring semester, J. G. Peniston, supervisor of subsistence, said today.

Brought about by the increase in price of food and a decrease in enrollment, the price of meals in Duncan Hall will now cost members of the Cadet Corps \$1.34 per day. Meals in Sbsia will be boosted in equal amounts.

Board OK's Request

A request for the price hike was mailed to Dr. M. T. Harrington, president of the college, on Jan. 1. The proposal was forwarded to the Board of Directors and was approved by letter. No special meeting of the Board was necessary.

In his letter to President Harrington, Peniston wrote, "The increase in price of food supplies has reached a point where it is impossible for us to serve a satisfactory meal to the student body at

the price the students now pay for meals."

Peniston further quoted the Dunn and Bradstreet report for the last week of December which showed an increase in the price of 31 basic foods of 20.6 per cent since the beginning of the Korean war. Dining Hall figures show an even greater increase in price of food supplies purchased during this period.

According to Peniston, this is the first hike in meal prices since Nov. 12, 1946, when the prices were boosted from \$1.10 to \$1.20 per day.

Subsistence Department records show that prior to World War II meals cost students 69 cents per

day. At the present time, meals cost \$1.20 per day.

Since students no longer pay the mess halls for meals during Thanksgiving holiday and Spring recess, this figures out to be an increased cost of 69 per cent for the student. However, in the same period of time the price of food supplies has increased 131 per cent.

Decrease Possible

"We have been extremely lucky in keeping the prices down as long

AF to Offer Two Courses For Veterans

The Air Force ROTC has received authority to continue the enrollment of seniors and graduating students in aircraft maintenance engineering and air installations who are qualified in all other respects for admission to the advanced course, and give them commissions at the end of summer camp.

This includes seniors with either one or two semesters remaining before graduation.

Applicants under the above provisions must be qualified in all respects for admission to the advanced course and for enrollment in the two courses. Aircraft maintenance engineering veterans must also present a valid reason for being unable to enroll in advanced AF ROTC at the beginning of the current academic year.

Prospective applicants should contact Major Boden in the aircraft maintenance section, or Capt. Otts, air installations section in Building D, for information and applications.

Engineer Society Schedules Meeting

The mid-winter meeting of the engineering drawing division, American Society for Engineering Education, will be held here January 18-20.

W. E. Street, head of the Engineering Drawing Department and program chairman for the meeting, announced that the group would make an inspection trip to Humble Oil and Refining Company, Baytown, and National Biscuit Company, Houston, on January 18.

A dinner meeting of the executive committee is set for 7:30 p. m. in the Memorial Student Center.

On Friday, January 19, open house will be held in the Engineering Drawing Department, followed by tours of the college.

President M. T. Harrington will welcome those attending the meeting at a luncheon in the MSC.

AAUW Meet Set For Wilson Home

Mrs. Robert Wilson will be hostess to the Drama Group of the AAUW in her home, 303 Marsteller Drive, College Hills, Woodlands section, Thursday evening at 8.

Mrs. Walter Delaplaine will give a reading of Macbeth.

Open House Day Committees Named

Open House Day committees were chosen yesterday at a regular meeting of the Inter Council in the MSC Senate Chamber.

Members of the Follies Committee are Doug Hearn and Lloyd Manjeot. Heading the program-exhibit committee is Dick Goodwyn, and assisting him are Herbert Mills, Frank Sims, and Joe Perry. George Charlton and Curtis Edwards are handling publicity.

Jack Humall will head the Concessions and Guide Booth Committees, other members of which are Bill Hollowell, Charles Copenhaver, and Jack Berkner. Jess McIver will be in charge of housing arrangements.

Dick Tumlinson, president of the Inter Council, will be an unofficial member of all committees.

Sorrells Is New Head of C of C

Joe Sorrells was chosen yesterday to head the College Station Chamber of Commerce during the 1951-52 season.

The newly elected president replaces Hershel Burgess as head of the city boosters.

Others elected include Marion Pugh, vice-president; and John Langley, secretary-treasurer. Dr. M. T. Harrington, president of the college, was named an ex-officio member of the board of directors.

Mrs. Carlynn Brod was named by the C of C to represent College Station at the Houston Fat Stock Show and Livestock Exposition parade. She will ride a horse along with representatives from other Texas cities.

The College Station Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors is made up of Frank Anderson, Raymond Rogers, John Longley, Josko Roberts, Earl Cunningham, Dr. C. C. French, Joe Sorrells, Ray Oden, Les Richardson, Mrs. C. E. Gaddy, Ralph Rogers, Marion Pugh, Hershel Burgess, Dr. R. L. Hunt, Cotton Price, and Joe Motheral.

Texas' First Big Gusher . . .

RVs and Band Lead Parade In Spindletop Celebration

The parade began at two this afternoon and lasted an hour and a half.

The Spindletop celebration is keyed to stressing the significance that oil has contributed to American progress during the first half of the 20th century.

"Spindletop" — where oil became an industry — isn't just a catch phrase. An almost inexhaustible flow of fuel had been found for the automobile, railroad, aviation, marine transportation, and chemical and steel industries.

The importance of the Spindletop discovery was emphasized at Saturday's ceremonies by John W. Newton of Beaumont, chairman of the Spindletop 50th Anniversary Commission, and Mayor Otho Plummer of Beaumont.

As hundreds of people stood on the Southern Pacific right-of-way, the modern heavy duty drilling equipment started the bit on its projected depth of 5,000 feet. Although a Texas Railroad Commission drilling permit has been issued, there is no intention of drilling to such a depth.

Soon after the "spudding in" ceremonies had concluded, the Spindletop Hall of Exhibits was formally opened.

The exhibit is a historical and education display of a rare collection of books, pictures, souvenirs, and relics of 1901. Exhibits trace 50 years of progress since the turn of the century. There are paintings of famous oilmen, financiers, prominent citizens, and leading women.

A few feet away from the Spindletop modern rig there stands a replica of the wooden derrick on the famed Lucas gusher.

After the ceremonies and dinner, the RVs will begin their trek toward College Station via buses.

They are scheduled to arrive on the campus around 9 p. m.

Sunday, Gov. Allan Shivers will officially proclaim January 10 as the Spindletop 50th Anniversary observance day.

as we have," Peniston said. "If prices decline, we will not hesitate to request decrease in cost to students," he added.

Meat products account for 45 per cent of the total cost of food supplies for the dining halls and in the past year the price of meat products has increased approximately 44 per cent. Groceries, Groceries have also increased in price but not as much as meats.

Examples of the increase in price of meat products is shown by comparing prices of January, 1950 with the price of the same products in January of this year.

Meats Prices Increase

Steer and cow rounds have increased 56 per cent, boneless veal chuck is up 45 per cent, boneless beef chuck is up 44 per cent, and salad oil is up 77 per cent above the price of the same products just one year ago. These are not extreme examples but are representative comparisons taken from Subsistence Department records.

Further investigation of food costs showed that in one week's time some of the products increased in price by as much as 8 per cent.

As another example, the steaks served at the Football Banquet Saturday night cost \$1.35 Christmas week. The same kind of steaks are selling for \$1.75 this week.

According to the most recent release of installment fees payable during the Spring semester, board for February will cost \$31.70; March, \$36.95; April, \$35.65; and May, \$56.75. Fees for the semester total \$256.55.

Houston G-Man Tells FBI Story

W. H. Story, special agent for the FBI, of Houston, spoke to members and guests of the College Station-Bryan AAUW Monday evening at the Woman's Club Building in Bryan.

The history and organization of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and its various functions was described by Agent Story.

"Rigid requirements and intensive training must be undergone by all FBI agents," Agent Story said. He pointed out that the Bureau is not a judicial body, but is essentially a fact-finding organization and does not attempt to evaluate an investigation. It is concerned with some 124 classifications of offenses which violate the federal laws, Story said.

Previous to the presentation of Agent Story, the club, in a short business session, named Mrs. J. W. Batts, Jr. to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. H. P. Riggsby as secretary of the organization.

Astronomy Course Offered in Spring

By special request of the students, a new course in Astronomy, Physics 314, will be offered in the spring semester.

The course, entitled Introduction to Astronomy, will be taught by Professor J. T. Kent of the Department of Mathematics.

A three credit hour course, and descriptive and factual in nature, the new course will require no mathematics other than algebra and trigonometry.

A certain amount of laboratory work will be introduced at the discretion of the instructor.

The course will be a general elective in all schools of the college.

Hedgecock Attends Writers Meeting

The annual national convention of American Business Writers Association held in Chicago was attended by E. D. Hedgecock of the English Department.

The meeting was held in Hotel Sherman from Dec. 27 to 29.

Hedgecock presided at a panel discussion on report writing. The panel discussed the title, "Report Writing Outside of the Textbooks," and the practical aspects of report writing.

A large number of Chicago businessmen and college teachers of business writing attended the convention.

B. F. K. Mullins to Give Speech in Washington

Professor B. F. K. Mullins, Department of Engineering Drawing, will be the leader in "A Symposium on Design of Urban and Rural Highway Intersections at Grade" before the Department of Traffic and Operations of the Highway Research Board.