

# Reserve Commissions Will Go to 447, June 1

A total of 243 men in Army ROTC and 204 AF ROTC men will receive reserve commissions in the commissioning ceremony to be held in Guion Hall at 1 p. m., June 1, according to Lt. Col. J. V. Roddy, chairman of the program committee and senior artillery instructor.

Invocation by Edwards  
Invocation will be given by Cadet Curtis Edwards, the Corps Chaplain, followed by the "Spirit of the South"

# House Endorses Crime Probing Committee

Austin, May 17—(AP)—The House endorsed the work of its special crime investigating committee yesterday by giving the group more power and more money.

Rep. Fred Meredith and his committee won a 67-42 vote of confidence after Reps. Lamar Zivley of Temple and John Crosthwait of Dallas questioned whether the legislative investigation of Texas crime can, or will, accomplish any good.

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Set its own rules on procuring and hearing evidence.

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Hold open or closed sessions.

Authorize any committee member to issue orders for witnesses to appear or to call for production and delivery of any books and records for inspection.

Issue arrest orders for witnesses who refuse or fail to obey a subpoena.  
Draw on the House contingent expense fund for any money needed in addition to the original \$10,000 appropriation for the committee.

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Aggieland" sung by the audience. President M. T. Harrington will make a short speech followed by the main address by Maj. Gen. Warren R. Carter, Commanding General, Flying Training, Air Force, Waco.

Lt. Col. W. F. Lewis will administer the oath of office. Presentation of commissions will be made by Maj. Gen. Carter for the Air Force and Brig. Gen. Charles K. Gailey for the Army. General Gailey is the Assistant Commanding General of the Second Division, Fort Hood.

Benediction will be delivered by Second Lieutenant Edwards followed by the "Star Spangled Banner" sung by the audience.

One Guest Allowed  
Each man receiving his commission may have one guest who will sit on his right. The guests will sit downstairs while the Air Force sits one side of the balcony and the Army on the other. They will come down to the stage in two lines to receive their commissions.

James Rollins will be organist and J. Harold Hughes will be the song leader.

# Shivers Gives Death Blow To Bandits

Austin, May 17—(AP)—Gov. Allan Shivers signed the death sentence for one-armed bandit today. He approved a bill making it a felony to manufacture or possess a slot machine.

The effective date will be 90 days after the legislative adjourns. It applies to all types of machines which pay off by chance whether in cash or free games.

A person caught in possession of a slot machine would be subject to a 2-to-4 year sentence. Even storage of the machines is outlawed.

There are no exemptions. The law applies to the pin-ball machine in the country club, the veterans, benevolent and fraternal organizations' halls, as well as to the slot machine in the honky-tonk or the corner drug store.

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We're just ambling along, taking our time on this trip, say Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hielscher of Seattle, Washington, who are on their way to St. Paul, Minnesota to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. The couple were married in the northern city 60 years ago, June 10. For this trip the couple are driving a 1923 Model T Ford, which for the past 23 years has had license plate number 1866. This was the year they were born in.

# A&M System Planned New Insurance Scheme

"Designed with the idea of eliminating undesirable features of previous plans, the new hospitalization insurance being offered to A&M System employees is the system's plan, not the insurance carrier's," the carrier acts as the administrator of the program for the system," today explained John Hill, director of workmen's compensation insurance for the A&M System.

"Before choosing the Pan-American Life Insurance company as carrier, the system insurance committee thoroughly investigated the financial and efficiency record of the company with particular emphasis on the manner and expediency with which they handled claims," he continued.

The system has been assured, said Hill, no claim will remain overnight in the company's office. Claims will be processed and checks mailed on the same day as receipt of the claim.

A case in point is that of an employee who has already filed a claim and had it paid, said Hill. This employee received his check three days from the date his claim was mailed to the company.

"Get Acquainted"  
"The insurance committee and college authorities are especially anxious that each system employee be thoroughly acquainted with the new plan," Hill stressed.

Meetings within departments are being scheduled in order to inform the employees on the insurance. Employees may find out from their department heads when the meetings will be held. A representative of the insurance carrier will be on hand to answer questions which employees may ask, and to clear up any points which may need explanation.

New Deadline  
Employees are urged to take advantage of the time afforded them by the new deadline of May 31, Hill declared. You may apply for the insurance even though you have already signed a waiver, he went on. Some who signed the waiver had not been informed of the insurance; now they have a chance to reconsider and to apply for the coverage, remarked Hill.

For the rates agreed upon by the insurance committee and the insurance carrier to be in effect, 75 percent of eligible employees must apply for the insurance. To date, about 58 percent have taken advantage of the opportunity.

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# Asia, Not Europe, Russia's Objective, Says Generalissimo

(Editor's Note: Frank H. King, general executive of the Associated Press, with headquarters at Dallas, is on special assignment in the western Pacific. His tour of the Orient took him to the Chinese Nationalist Island of Formosa, where he obtained this interview from Chiang Kai-Shek.

By FRANK H. KING

Taipei, Formosa, May 17—(AP)—Chiang Kai-Shek told the Associated Press that "at this stage the objective of Russia is expansion in Asia, not Europe."

He also said his Nationalist forces on Formosa, by a body punch to the Chinese mainland, can halt Chinese Communist aggression in Korea.

"Once a counter offensive from Formosa starts, then Chinese Communist aggression in Korea will end; at least the Chinese Communists will not be able to start any new offensive in Korea," the president of the Chinese Nationalists said.

(Both the U. S. State and Defense Departments declined in Washington to comment on Chiang's statements.)  
The generalissimo made his statements in one of his rare, personal interviews which lasted nearly an hour.

Training 500,000  
Chiang has an estimated 500,000 men in training on this island bastion. These soldiers have figured in the great debate now raging in Washington on U. S. policy in the Orient. During the interview Chiang carefully guarded against discussion of specific issues involved in that debate.

The 64-year-old Chiang was calm and relaxed. He laughed quietly as he talked. From time to time he smoothed the rich covering of the conference table with long fingers. The interview took place in Chiang's office in the huge administration building whose cavernous corridors are like those of many American state capitols.

Chiang answered many questions, among them ones about charges of corruption in his Nationalist government, and Soviet Russia's long-term program. One question brought from Chiang a reminder that he had been fighting Communists since 1927.

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were agrarian reformers and that the Chinese Nationalist government was dishonest, corrupt and inefficient."  
"Now the Chinese Communists have occupied the mainland of China. What they are afraid of is a Nationalist counteroffensive."

Defeatist Propaganda  
"So their propaganda line now is: 1. The Chinese on the mainland will not welcome the return of the Nationalists. 2. If the United States aids the Nationalists, the Chinese people on the mainland will hate the Americans."

"The new Communist line is to play on fear psychology. If you (Americans) aid the Chinese Nationalists you will incur the hatred of the Chinese people. This is their propaganda."

While the interview took place, military and civilian delegations waited in adjoining conference rooms to see the "Gimo," Maj. Gen. William C. Chase, head of the new American Military assistance advisory group, had just completed a visit.

Friends said Chiang looked healthier in appearance than in several years. Behind his chair were the crossed flags of Nationalist China and his Kuomintang party. Both have been driven from the mainland to this island, 100 miles off the southeast coast. On one wall was a large picture of Sun Yat-Sen, founder of the Chinese Republic.

An aide said Chiang was working a normal day. He was up at daybreak. He took a few minutes of exercise. Then he read the Bible and indulged in the first of two daily periods of meditation and prayer. He works a long day, interrupted in the afternoon by 30 minutes of sleep.

I asked Chiang for comment on United States desires to obtain a speedy, decisive termination of the Korean fighting.  
The generalissimo said: "I cannot entertain an optimistic view of the Korean war. I cannot predict when it will end if continued on the present basis."

Then the old warrior against Communism made his declaration that his Nationalists by a diversionary counteroffensive against the mainland would halt aggression in Korea.  
"It would take six months for us to start the large-scale counter-offensive after necessary and adequate equipment and supplies are available in Formosa," he said.

Offer Still Goes  
Asked if the 33,000 troops he offered for service in Korea last year were still available, Chiang replied:  
"There has been no new approach by the United Nations. If there should be, consultations would be necessary to meet the new and changed situation. But in case of urgent need I certainly will not shirk my responsibilities."

I then said there was a widespread belief in the United States that the Nationalist government was corrupt in its administration of affairs on the mainland and that individual leaders of that regime took or exported to the United States (See CORRUPTION, Page 6)

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# 'In for Duration' Acheson's Motto

Washington, May 17—(AP)—Dean Acheson, target of hot fire, declared last night he "enlisted for the duration" and intends to remain as Secretary of State as long as the President wants him.

The statement could be taken as an answer to Rep. Burleson (D-Texas), who said last night he had made a personal appeal to Acheson to resign in view of "the great sentiment opposing you."

Burleson said he wrote the secretary May 7, urging him to take the initiative in a resignation because President Truman, not being disposed "to concede in very many things," probably will never ask for it.

"Everything possible must be done to unify the nation for the tremendous tasks ahead, Burleson said.  
Acheson reproved reporters who, in his words, fiddle around with the technical and secondary questions of whether the United States should veto Red membership in the United Nations.

The Dean Annoyed  
In apparent annoyance, Acheson told the reporters to get this straight and advised them not to louse up, as he put it, the question of American policy by getting it confused with the veto issue.

While he jumped the reporters he seemed actually to be talking over their heads to members of Congress and particularly some Republican senators who have explored the veto matter recently in the MacArthur hearings.

In essence what Acheson argued today is that the important thing is to persuade a majority of the United Nations members that Red China, defying the U. N. in Korea, must not be permitted to shoot its way into the peace league.

No Veto on Chinese  
Acheson was asked today if it was not true that he had said in the past that the veto could not be used to keep the Chinese out. He said he had said that.

Burleson said he had suggested Acheson's resignation after considering the question "long and carefully."  
"Mr. Secretary, in all candor, I sincerely believe that your resignation would be in the best interest of our nation because there is a great sentiment opposing you," the Texas wrote.

"Irrespective of causes and circumstances, a deterioration of confidence has been taking place over a considerable period of time, which in my judgment is irreparable."  
Man Under Fire

"Any man of courage abhors withdrawing from his position when under severe criticism. I can appreciate what surely must be your feelings in this respect. However, I believe you are a man who would subvert personal feelings in the hope that your action would be a greater contribution to the tasks ahead than to remain under the circumstances."

The congressman said "seemingly, it is the disposition" of President Truman not to concede in very many things and "it is doubtful he will ever request your resignation."  
Burleson concluded with the comment that what he had said was "from the heart and without any other thought than to do that which I feel is right." He asked Acheson to give earnest and prayerful consideration to the suggestion.

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