

## Everyone Invited—Attached or Otherwise

### All-College Mixer Slated In MSC Ballroom at 7:30

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Target for tonight—fun. That's the promise of Betty Bolander for the MSC Mixer scheduled from 7:30 to 9 p. m. in the MSC Ballroom. Miss Bolander, assistant social director of the MSC, has planned the event to provide every student on the campus a chance to meet his fellow students.

An informal affair, the Mixer will be open to everyone with single students especially urged to attend. Promptness is important, says Miss Bolander who pleads, "Please be there by 7:30 sharp."

Refreshments at this first MSC social event of the summer will be free. And prizes will be given in a special contest planned for the night.

As for dress, Miss Bolander says ties and trimmings are not required. She advises the boys and girls to wear what is comfortable.

In the way of additional equipment she has asked guests to bring a pencil, though she has tents to assure them that there will be no brainwork involved.

As for her contribution, she has promised to contact as many single girls as possible to supplement the ones she hopes will attend without special urging.

Graduate students and campus co-eds are especially urged to attend, she says.

Acting as hosts and hostesses at the Mixer will be Ruby and Gene Seale, Jim and Doris Walker, Tom Rountree, Tom Parish, Dick Van Tye, Clayton Selph, Dave Coslett and Bill Aaberg.

Most of the group are members of the MSC Council and MSC Directorate, the two levels of government for the Center.

The idea for the Mixer grew out of a not-too-successful attempt to set up a date-bureau re-

cently. Part of the failure of the date-bureau was laid to the fact that no suitable means was available for boys and girls to meet—the blind date might be a little blind.

The whole program tonight, therefore, will revolve around the idea of getting males and females acquainted with one another in casual and entertaining surroundings.

Nor, says Miss Bolander, does

that mean that the program will be "kid stuff." There should be plenty there, she says to provide fun for the older students, male and female, and even for the married couples.

The MSC social program operates on a restricted basis during the summer time because of the adequacy of the regular Summer Entertainment Program at the Grove. Events such as the Mixer are planned from time to time to provide variety to that program.

Entertainment at tonight's event will be mostly provided by the guests themselves. Other entertainment, though, may be offered.

### AF Officers At Alabama ROTC School

Nine officers and three non-commissioned officers of the Air Force Detachment at A&M are currently attending the Air Force Instructor School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Attending the school are Maj. John Otts, Maj. A. G. Dameron, Maj. L. S. Westbrook, Capt. W. D. Wade, Capt. B. E. Paschal, Capt. R. T. Cowart, Capt. D. W. Johnson, Capt. J. A. Duce, Lt. R. E. Phillips.

Non-commissioned officers receiving instructor training are M/Sgt. W. P. Veech, M/Sgt. E. R. McNutt, and M/Sgt. T. C. Black. Scheduled to attend the school during July are M/Sgt. J. B. Sherman, M/Sgt. E. W. Stewart, and M/Sgt. T. C. Black.

Maj. Otts and Lt. Phillips are assigned as instructors at the school. All of the airmen receiving training will undertake instructor positions in the Air Force ROTC courses when they return to the campus after completing the course.

### Spring Has Sprung--Fall Has Fell, Summer's Here..

Don't look now but Apollo is driving his fiery steeds right smack-dab down the Tropic of Cancer. It's a habit he has every time the Northern Summer Solstice rolls around. That, of course, comes directly between the Northern Vernal Equinox and the Northern Autumnal Equinox.

And it means Old Sol has a long journey ahead today. In short, it's the first day of summer, the longest day of the year.

The Associated Press, however, claims that Friday is the first day of Summer, officially, that is.

The wire service reported, "Spring bows out at 12:25 a. m. (EST) that day (Friday). In the Northern Hemisphere, the first day of Summer sees the sun attain its farthest north declination. It will be above the horizon for more than 15 hours and below for less than nine."

We'll stick to our almanac. If you be one of these folks who doesn't like the long hours of sunshine, pity the poor Eskimo. The sun won't set at all for him today.

### Extension Meet Scheduled For June 28, 29

The Extension Conference for County Home Demonstration and County Agricultural Agents of Texas will convene for two days at A&M beginning June 28 with Maurine Hearn, State Leader of Home Demonstration and J. D. Prewitt, Associate Director, presiding.

County Agents and Home Demonstration Agents and their assistants from all of the 254 counties of Texas will be here for this state conference. During the meeting, these agents will be shown the services available to them by the Extension Service.

Speakers for the conference will be Dr. Ethel J. Alpenfels, associate professor of education, New York University; Dr. O. B. Jesness, head, department of agricultural economics, University of Minnesota; Judge Otha Dent, president, County Judges and Commissioners Association; H. H. Williamson, assistant director extension service, U. S. Department of Agriculture (Retired); and H. C. Sanders, director of agricultural extension service, Louisiana State University.

Representative A&M speakers will be Director G. G. Gibson, Texas Extension Service and Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist of the A&M System.

### Guidance Program

### Vet Testing Offered To All Students

Contrary to many students' beliefs, the Veteran's Appraisal Service, Testing and Guidance Program, is designed for non-veteran students as well as veteran students.

The Veteran's Appraisal Service, located in the old Campus Corner building across from the Music Hall, gives free appraisal service to both college and high school students.

The battery of tests given takes a student eight hours to complete, but all of the tests may be taken at the convenience of the student.

The purpose of the tests is to determine the job capabilities of a person and to designate what job is most adaptable and suitable to a person.

The service maintains a library of job qualifications and salaries, which contains over 5,000 volumes. The student body may look over the books at any time.

### Langford Consulting On Brownsville Job

Ernest Langford, mayor of College Station and head of the architecture department, is now in Brownsville where he is acting as professional advisor to the awarding of an architecture contract for the \$800,000 recreation center to be built in Brownsville.

## Iranians Gain Oil Control; Conflict Grows

Tehran, Iran, June 21—(AP)—Iran spurned last-minute efforts at mediation yesterday and issued orders setting up her complete control of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's operations. Britain abruptly recalled her peace mission, empty-handed, with a warning she will protect the lives of Britons if necessary.

Premier Mohammed Mossadegh ordered his government's Iranian National Oil Company to assume full authority over AIOC operations under the nationalization law he pushed through parliament 12 weeks ago. He promised to keep the oil flowing.

Mossadegh's deputy, Hussein Fatima, said Iran would not "shut the valves" on the giant refinery of the billion-dollar, British-owned company at Abadan, as extreme nationalists have threatened. A vaguely worded communique issued after a five-hour cabinet meeting indicated the government plans a gradual take-over.

A veteran British resident commented: "Mossadegh will find out there's more to running an oil company than changing signs."

Hussein Maki, a parliamentary firebrand, hoisted an Iranian flag ceremoniously over the Abadan refinery, but stopped short of carrying out an earlier threat to halt the flow of oil.

"It's my personal idea nationalization should be carried out unconditionally—and 18,000 Iranians feel the same way," he said.

Iran is the prime source of oil for Britain and the British Navy. Qualified sources have reported that Britain's Middle East land, set and air forces had been alerted for action in Iran if needed to support British lives.

Holy War Threatened

Moslem fanatics have threatened a holy war if British soldiers step on Iranian soil. Neighboring Russia might claim the right to enter Iran under a 1921 treaty in the event of armed intervention there.

In calling home the oil mission, Britain announced she will appeal anew to the International Court of Justice at the Hague and indicated she will go on producing oil from the rich Iranian fields unless compelled to quit. She hinted at the use of force is necessary to protect the lives of 7,000 Britons in Iran.

Negotiations between Iranian officials and the British mission, four AIOC directors, broke down here Tuesday night with Iran's rejection of a British offer of cash payments to the Iranian government in lieu of the profits it demands.

(U. S. Secretary of State Acheson urged Wednesday that the Iranian government reconsider its rejection. He said the American government is disturbed.)

Message Sent To Cabinet

U. S. Ambassador Henry F. Grady sent Mossadegh a message during the cabinet meeting today again urging "that you and your advisors give the most careful consideration to the British proposal so that the negotiations between your government and representatives of the oil company may not be broken off."

The cabinet's communique announced that Iranian officials have been named to take over the AIOC's fields at Kermanshah, 275 miles southwest of Tehran and 300 miles north of Abadan. A "temporary board of directors" and a parliamentary oil commission is already at Abadan under a similar order, but British officials are still running the works.

## Five Employees Appointed At College Library

Five new employees have been appointed to fill the vacancies of staff members at the college library, according to Robert A. Houze, librarian.

The new employees are Earl E. Hoven, Miss Carol Rae Casto, Mrs. Nan Cardwell, Miss Jane French, and Mrs. Nancy Stewart.

They will fill the positions of Librarian, Mrs. Marilyn M. Smith, Mrs. Margaret L. Davis, and Mrs. Frances T. Smyth, who recently resigned, Houze said.

Hoven will be the Agricultural Reference Librarian after August 1. He was formerly with the Library of Congress, and recently worked with the United States Department of Agriculture Library in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Cardwell and Miss Casto will be the new catalogers for the library. Mrs. Cardwell became associated with the college library in April and Miss Casto will begin her service in July.

Miss French, a graduate of SMU, and Mrs. Stewart, who attended Stevens College in Missouri and the University of Alabama, will be the new typist-clerks in the order department. Miss Miller will replace Mrs. Smyth as library assistant.

McCameron, head of the circulation department until June 7, is now with the United States Army in Okinawa as librarian for the Civilian Re-education Program.

## At the Grove Tonight

Movie—"The Happy Years" with Dean Stockwell and Darryl Hickman—8 p. m.

### Batt Safety Award

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National Safety Council  
PUBLIC INTEREST

award  
is hereby presented to  
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The National Safety Council's Public Interest Award was given The Battalion recently in recognition of the Traffic Safety Campaign carried on by the paper during the pre-Christmas months. The Battalion was the only Texas organization to receive the award and the only college newspaper

so honored. Earlier the paper had received second place nationally in the Lumberman's Casualty Insurance Companies' Annual College Newspaper Contest on Safe Driving. This makes the second year that The Battalion has been honored by both organizations for safety work.

## Why Do Girls Come to A&M? Batt Contest Seeks Answer

Excuse me, madame. I don't mean to get personal, but what precisely is your reason for coming to Texas A&M?

That question has been asked repeatedly (and usually inwardly) by almost every inmate of regular sessions at Aggieland. It poses an intriguing problem, too, especially since it's often hard to think of what attraction this place holds for a hearty male, let alone a female.

The Battalion, therefore, is going to see if it can't come up with a good answer—one from the girls themselves. To achieve this purpose we now extend that question to each of our co-ed readers enrolled at A&M.

In short, it's going to be a contest to see which girl can give the most interesting (and not necessarily the most truthful) reason for attending A&M. The ladies will be allowed 500 words or less in which to state that reason which must be mailed to Contest Editor, The Battalion. The letters will be

postage free if dropped in the Faculty Exchange in the Administration Building.

Each contestant, of course, must submit full particulars on herself both for purposes of news stories and means of contacting the individual, should she be declared winner of the contest.

A first, second and third place will be awarded by a committee of judges to be announced at a later date.

And prizes are tentatively in the offing for the winners. More news on that, though, will come later. All entries will become the property of The Battalion and may or may not be printed in its pages as space and quality of work determine.

Such prosaic reasons as being a local resident, of course, will stand little chance in the contest.

Among the reasons that have been suggested for some girls attending A&M have been—of all things—the top-sided ratio of boys to girls at the college.

Some young ladies might even fess up to designs indicated by a survey of college co-eds taken by The Battalion over a year ago. That survey, conducted at Northwestern University, showed a good many gals going to college for the express purpose of catching a hubby.

Speaking of husbands, we might ask that married co-eds not be deterred from entering the competition. It might be a good way to test your husband's sense of humor.

### Battalion Staff Meeting Tonight

All members of The Battalion staff are asked to be at a special staff meeting tonight at 7 p. m. in the Battalion office, second floor, Goodwin Hall, Joel Austin, editor, said this morning.

A dutch lunch will be spread for those attending the meeting, he said.

Students interested in joining the staff and working in any capacity on the publication are also invited to attend.

## Families Warned Of 'Prison Freer's'

Washington, June 21—(AP)—Military authorities have warned American families against unscrupulous persons who may claim to be able, for a price, to reach or even to gain the freedom of service men missing in Korea.

The Defense Department said this was one reason for yesterday's announcement telling Americans how to address mail intended for prisoners in the hands of the Chinese and Korean Reds.

The department coupled the announcement with a statement that the Communists have so far failed to make prisoner of war information available through such recognized neutral channels as the international Red Cross.

No Official Evidence

Army officials said today that they also had no official evidence any letters already sent to prisoners have actually reached them. Military officials added that their only knowledge of letters re-

ceived from reported prisoners or men listed as missing had to come from the families receiving this mail.

The Defense Department has sent messages to the families of all of the 10,512 men now listed as missing in action and the 158 reported prisoners of war.

This message contains the warning that some people both in this country and abroad have attempted to get money from families by claiming they have inside information. The department asked any persons receiving such an offer to notify the nearest FBI office.

Recommended Address

The address recommended for use by families writing to prisoners of war was taken from letters received from men in the hands of the Reds. After giving the name, rank and serial number of the missing relative, the address should read: "Care of the Chinese Peoples Committee for World Peace, Peiping, China."

Letters so addressed require no postage, but should bear the notation: "Prisoner of War Mail" in the place where stamps are normally affixed.

Prisoner of war mail will be collected in San Francisco and flown to the British Colony of Hong Kong, where it will be sent into China.

The Defense Department cautioned families against putting too much hope in the actual delivery of such letters, because the Communists, so far, have not been willing to recognize any procedure for reaching prisoners.

### Wednesday at The Grove

## Skates Run Short; New Order Goes In

Contrary to last year, the skating programs held on Wednesday and Sunday nights in the grove have been enjoying such large turn-outs that 20 new pair of skates have been ordered by the Office of Student Activities.

Scheduled to arrive from the Chicago Roller Skate Company by Sunday, June 23, the new skates will have a special type of wheel recommended by the company for outdoor concrete rings. The wheels are of fiber composition, according to Pete Hardesty, business manager, Office of Student Activities.

Replacement straps were ordered along with the skates, Hardesty said. The total cost of the new equipment was around \$98, he added.

At the present there are 15 pair of skates available for rent at The Grove. This supply is usually rented by 8:30 p. m., Hardesty said.

Students have first choice at renting a pair of skates. The rental fee is 25 cents for the evening. The program has been getting under way around 7:45 p. m. and lasting until around 10 p. m., the business manager said.

Although a juke box has been made available on the two nights for dancing, participants have shown a preference for skating only. The juke box is located at the concessions stand, and is played by an attendant.

The ratio of boys to girls on skate night has been about three to one in favor of the boys.

## Senior Rings Now on Order Total 696

Senior rings, totaling approximately 696, have been ordered since last Spring, according to Mrs. Dell Bauer, ring clerk for the college.

The vast majority of rings ordered are for the class of '52, although some are for the class of '51, and 3 are for the class of '53, stated Mrs. Bauer.

One student, a veteran pre-medical major, has done the unusual. He has ordered a ring for the class of '54. The student was eligible to do this because he has changed his course of study, and still has sufficient hours to classify him as a Senior, although he will graduate with the class of '54.

In addition to the 696 rings, 25 miniature sweetheart rings have been ordered by Aggies for members of the fairer sex.

Most of the rings are to be mailed out and will be delivered sometime in August, although some will be received by students here. Rings cannot be mailed to summer camp addresses, Mrs. Bauer said.

An interesting fact is that prices for rings have not advanced since 1938, except for a 10% Federal tax increase. Rings vary in price from \$22.08 for the miniatures to \$29.84 for the largest size.

The Balfour company of Texas has the five-year contract for Senior rings at the present.