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## Administrators View Parade



Civilian educators visiting the Fort Hood ROTC Summer Camp recently were guests of Maj. Gen. Bruce C. Clarke, who is shown addressing the 18,000 troops of his First Armored Division. On the reviewing stand with Gen. Clarke are, left to right, Dr. E. B. Evans, president of Prairie View A&M; Dr. C. C. French, dean of the college, A&M. Standing behind Gen. Clarke are Col. Haydon L. Boatner, deputy ROTC camp commander. To the right of the general are Dr. Oliver S. William, acting president of Oklahoma A&M; Col. O. O. Wilson, PMSAT, New Mexico Military Institute; and Dean A. L. Slonaker, dean of men, University of Arizona.

## 'Measuring Nation's Strength' Is Topic of Kiwanis Speaker

"War is an equation between men and material" said Col. Merton P. Brooks, commanding officer of the Fort Sam Houston Reception Center. Col. Brooks spoke to the College Station Kiwanis Club yesterday on "How to Measure a Nation's Strength."

He used as a yardstick, seven points in a geopolitical theory of power concentration.

Location Given Emphasis  
Location was a point to which Adolf Hitler gave a great deal of emphasis, according to Col. Brooks. The dictator visualized Germany as the heartland of the world island of Europe and Asia. "He who rules the heartland rules the island, and

the ruler of the world island rules the world," Hitler reasoned. Col. Brooks employed such devices as charts, props, and slides to illustrate his topic. The size and shape of a country are important in evaluating the military might of a nation. To illustrate this point, Col. Brooks called attention to Chile. A long, narrow country, Chile would have a difficult time defending her coastline, or withdrawing within her boundaries to reorganize her forces.

History has shown that power nations have been centered in a climate that is neither too hot nor too cold, Col. Brooks said in stressing his third point.

## Farm Bureau Meeting Now In Progress

Some 200 leaders of the Texas Farm Bureau, representing 110 counties, are attending a four-day Texas Farm Bureau Institute at A&M this week. According to J. Walter Hammond, president of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation, the leadership school is designed to "provide the best information for the county leadership to guide the continued growth and progress of the organization." The institute is an annual affair.

Six subjects are taught at the school, including philosophy and policies of the farm bureau, membership acquisition and maintenance, public speaking, county and community organizations, techniques for officers, publicity and public relations, recreational activities and farm bureau service program. Classes, which began Monday, will continue through Thursday.

A banquet Thursday night will conclude the institute. Allan B. Kline, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will speak at the banquet. Hammond will be master of ceremonies.

## Jap Oceanographer Plans A&M Visit

Dr. Koji Hidaka, physical oceanographer of the Geophysical Institute, Tokyo University, Tokyo, Japan, will visit the A&M Department of Oceanography Thursday and Friday.

Dr. Hidaka is world renowned for his theoretical work on the nature of ocean currents. He is stopping at College Station on his way to take part in the Ninth General Assembly of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics in Brussels, Belgium, Aug. 21 to Sept. 1.



Col. Morton P. Brooks Speaks at Kiwanis Club

## Equipment Here For 'Skate Nite'

Summer skating on Wednesday and Sunday nights at The Grove which was so popular during the first term that additional skates were ordered, has shown a notable decline in attendance during the past weeks, according to C. G. "Spike" White, assistant dean of men for activities.

A part of the summer recreation program offered by the Office of Student Activities for students and college employees, skate night lasts from 7:30 p. m. until 10 p. m.

Forty pairs of skates are now available for a rental fee of 25 cents for the evening. The rink is open free of charge to persons bringing their own skates.

Records are played in the juke box during the evening, and the concessions stand is open for the purchase of soft drinks.

Fifteen new replacement straps have arrived along with 20 new pair of skates. Skate sizes are available all the way from two to 10. Toe straps are also furnished when requested, White said.

A tip to the male population—there are usually a good number of single girls present during the evening, he added.

# Truman to Ask Congress For Controls Replacement

## Joy Blasts Red Demands For Korean Buffer Zone Position

U.N. Advance Headquarters, Korea, Aug. 1—(AP)—United Nations and Communist truce teams again today refused to budge from their opposing stands on where to establish a buffer zone across Korea.

Vice Adm. C. Turner Joy, chief U.N. delegate, talked for an hour and 13 minutes telling the Reds what was wrong with their demand. It was the longest speech that has been made in the 16 Kaesong cease-fire talks.

What Buffer Zone  
The Communists want a buffer zone back along the 38th Parallel, the old political boundary line between North and South Korea. That is inferior terrain for military defenses.

CS People 'Pitch In' For Clean-Up  
Reports indicate that College Station residents have pitched into the annual community-wide clean-up campaign with enthusiasm.

Population Skill  
Again in the factor of population, attention was called to the average skill of the people comprising that country—the human element.

Although the speaker was not able to give figures on armaments on hand because they are classified material in the United States and nothing accurate is available on Russia, he stressed that the quantity of armaments was not to be confused with the quality.

The speaker was introduced by J. Wayne Stark, director of the MSC.

deputy U.N. public information officer, told a news conference: "Lieut. Gen. Nam Il, chief Red delegate, seemed to understand the United Nations position but couldn't appreciate the logic that we used to arrive at that position."

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Nuckols noted that Gen. Nam's statements frequently contained quasi-political overtones instead of being confined strictly to military questions.

An official communique said delegates "failed to make progress toward an agreement" in their two-hour and 25-minute session Wednesday. Nuckols said he wouldn't call the talks stalemated.

To Meet Thursday  
Negotiators agreed to meet again Thursday. That will be their 17th session and the seventh at which creation of a buffer zone was the paramount issue. The meeting was set to start at 11 a.m. (8 p.m. Wednesday E.S.T.).

A possibility the Red negotiators might then propose a recess of several days was suggested by Communist propagandists outside the meeting hall. Such recesses have broken two previous deadlocks.

U.N. spokesmen say that the old political boundary between North and South Korea is militarily indefensible. The allies want, in the words of Wednesday's U.N. communique, "a realistic demilitarized zone, equitable to both belligerents."

At Tuesday's session, Joy had

explained how the Communists would benefit from the Allied plan of creating a buffer zone along present lines.

The battlefield now extends across Korea from a point in the West just South of the 38th Parallel, northeasterly along the Imjin River between Kaesong and this U.N. advance camp into North Korea and thence Eastward across mountain ridges to the East coast about 25 miles North of the 38th.

## Reluctantly Gives OK To New Controls Bill

Washington, Aug. 1—(AP)—President Truman prepared today to hammer again on Congress' door for a "good, strong price control law" to replace what he called the "deficient" act he signed last night.

Mr. Truman emphasized that he accepted the new, one-year defense production act—"the worst I ever had to sign"—only because he could not risk the lapse of its rent ceiling and strong priority control clauses.

But the bitterly disputed law was on the books, and its Republican and Democratic backers defended it against the angry White House blasts. Their views were summed up by the veteran GOP leader, Rep. Halleck (Ind.), who said:

"It's a bill which, properly applied and administered, will effect control despite Mr. Truman's statements."

At the center of the storm, Michael V. Disalle's Office of Price Stabilization (OPS) hastily explored techniques for lifting price ceilings to the levels now required.

Disalle ordered thousands of price roll-backs—and a goodly number of roll-forwards—into effect last night in the final hours before Mr. Truman signed the new measure.

Ceilings Held Back  
New ceilings, held back for a month during the congressional debate, were applied to consumer items like radios, television sets, refrigerator and other home appliances, shoes, apparel, cotton textiles, wool yarns and fabrics, machinery, chemicals and many building materials.

By rushing the orders out last night, OPS avoided the immediate necessity of rewriting the ceilings to conform to the new act, which entitles each manufacturer to pass on to buyers his full business cost increases up to July 26.

Individual price adjustments must now be made. A month ago OPS said the order would bring consumers more rollbacks than increases. Today it said the impact on family budgets is "uncertain."

Yesterday brought five other major developments in the controls field.

The wage stabilization board extended indefinitely its allowance of cost-of-living wage increases which are tied to the government's price index.

Bigger Prices  
President Truman, predicting the new law will mean bigger prices for manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers, said it would be necessary also to "allow reasonable adjustments in wages."

"We cannot ask the working people of this country to reduce their standards of living just to pay for the higher prices this act provides for business," he said.

OPS formally abolished its slaughtering quotas, intended to prevent a flow of meat into black markets, in conformity with the new law.

It also cancelled two scheduled 4 1/2 per cent rollbacks on live cattle prices—which it has said would have cut nine or ten cents a pound from butcher-shop beef prices. Cattle prices have been rolled back as far as the new law allows for farm products.

OPS clamped ceilings on prices of goods exported from the U.S., to conserve home supplies and help the nation's allies combat inflation. Exporters may not add more than the pre-Korea percentage mark-up to current domestic prices.

The Office of Housing Expediter (OHE), now armed with stronger rent control powers, disappeared as such. Mr. Truman ordered its main portions transferred to Eric Johnston's Economic Stabilization Agency.

Rent Controls  
Reborn as the "office of rent stabilization," OHE will function under ESA as far as the new law allows for farm products.

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Col. Joe E. Davis

Officially reporting for duty today, Col. Davis will assume the position of Commandant and Coordinator of the School of Military Science and Tactics at A&M. Col. Davis replaces Col. H. L. Boatner who has recently received orders to report to Japan with a promotion to Brigadier General. Col. Davis was formerly assistant commandant here before leaving last September to take command of the 402d Infantry Training Regiment at Camp Chaffee, Ark. He has also served as head of the ROTC section of the Texas Military District during his absence from A&M.

## Sbis, Duncan Eaters Get Temper Soother As They Eat

Music Always Featured on Menus At Mess Hall

By B. F. ROLAND  
Battalion News Staff

Roast beef is a byline at Sbis Dining Hall, and likewise the music you hear while dishing your best barlow on the sometimes not so tender morsels of "Mr. Bull" has come to be a standard.

It isn't always true that your temper is soothed by the strains of light fantasy issuing from the loud speakers, but somehow one manages to get "Mr. Bull" (the roast beef) into a digestible form.

Now if you ask Ray Rushing why so much roast beef is served at Sbis, he probably couldn't tell you, but say something about the music there and he will talk business with you.

You see, Rushing is in charge of the public address systems in both Sbis and Duncan Halls, and music is his byword. A junior electrical engineering major from Livingston, and a veteran of the Navy World War II, he has been associated with the public address systems in the dining halls almost two years. He is also a sports staff writer for the Battalion.

Charles Wilson, veteran senior electrical engineering major who hails from Edinburg, is Rushing's assistant. Besides spinning platters at Sbis, Wilson works part time in the Dean of Men's office.

Whether it's Beethoven or Ed-dy Arnold you like, you can hear it in Sbis. Rushing says that judging from past complaints the majority of students would rather have popular and semi-classical music for their dining hours, but an effort is made to

satisfy everyone's musical taste. Providing music is the primary purpose of the public address system in Sbis and Duncan, but they also serve as a medium for important announcements and prayers before meals.

Before the MSC was opened, Sbis was the scene of many dances and of course the public address system played a major role in these activities. The system is still used considerably for banquets and

some dances that are too big to be held in the MSC. Shaffer's Book Store located at the North Gate, furnishes records for Sbis, while Haswell's in Bryan supply the platters for Duncan. Advertisements are exchanged for the music.

Sbis sound equipment has reproduced the voices and music of many celebrities including Sammy Kaye, Frankie Carle, Vaughn Monroe, Tommy Dorsey,

and Xavier Cugat. Sammy Kay once made an attempt to record a radio program via the Sbis sound booth and a direct line to the studios of WTAW.

The sound booths in both Duncan and Sbis are built similar to radio broadcasting booths. Each booth has twin 78-33 rpm turntables that allow the operator to produce uninterrupted music. Most of the music in Sbis comes from 45 rpm recordings, but Duncan has facilities for only 78-33 rpm records.

During the regular semesters, three operators and a foreman are employed to spin platters in both Sbis and Duncan at chow time. Two operators are used in Sbis and one in Duncan. The function of the foreman is to serve as a coordinator, perform repairs and maintenance of the equipment as well as to keep a fresh supply of records on hand for both mess halls.

Since Duncan is closed in the Summer, only a foreman and one operator are employed in Sbis. Wilson, ex-tenor saxophone player in a dance band, says he enjoys playing music, but getting up at 5:30 in the morning gets his "horizontal engineering" program off schedule.

Although information concerning the exact year the first sound system was installed in Sbis Hall is not available, the time was somewhere in the vicinity of 1929-30. Before then, announcements were made to the corps by the Corps Adjutant, who, by standing on a chair at the main staff table, called

ed the cadets to attention in a loud voice.

After reading his announcements in the main mess hall, he would go into the annex and repeat the procedure. Now it's a matter of flipping a switch to the room where an announcement is desired to be made, turn on the microphone and proceed with telling the latest poop.

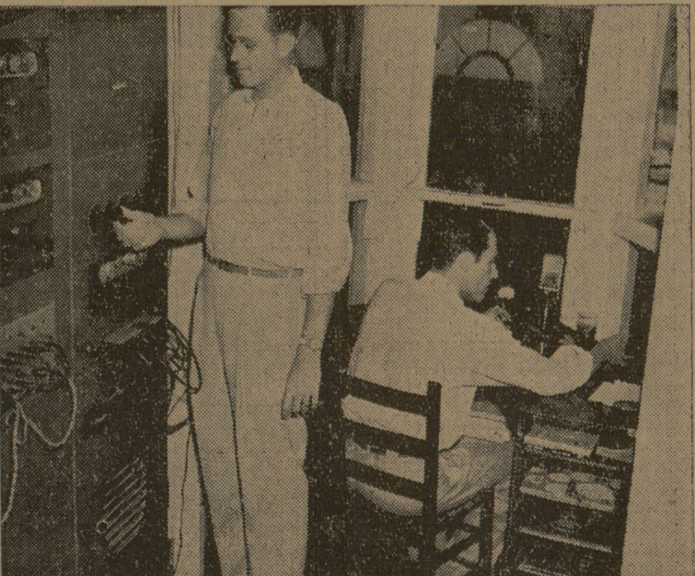
The first Sbis sound system was built, installed, and operated by Tom Hiner class of '28, who later became chief engineer at KPRC and KTRH in Houston. Following Hiner as early operators were H. M. Long, J. W. Runyon, N. H. Rudasill, and C. J. Wimer. Wimer is now owner of the Wimer Engineering Co. in Dallas.

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## At the Grove This Week

Wednesday, Aug. 1—Skating and juke-box dancing—8 p.m.  
Thursday, Aug. 2—Movie, "Three Little Words" with Red Skelton and Fred Astaire—8 p.m.  
Friday, Aug. 3—Dancing, music by Aggieland Combo—8 p.m.