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Bryan-College Residents To Give Blood

Residents of College Station and Bryan will be able to give a different type of Christmas present this year. The Red Cross mobile blood unit will be in this area Dec. 13 and 14. Citizens of the two cities have been asked by the chapter chairman, Walter L. Penberthy, to sign a registration card signifying they will donate a pint of blood.

Reservations for a time may be made by calling Mrs. Ina Hardin at 25754 or the Red Cross at 2-8869.

Earlier in the year the unit visited the campus and received about 170 pints of blood from members of the cadet corps. The unit will be on the campus again in several months.

The unit will be at the Bryan Air Force Base Dec. 13 to collect blood from airmen stationed at the base.

Age limits for the donors is between 21 and 59 years of age, however with parents consent, donors between the ages of 18 and 21 may give blood.

In order to meet the physical requirements for the donation, the donor must weigh at least 110 pounds. Extremely obese persons may be accepted if they have the approval of the attending physician.

In general, if the prospective donor is in good physical condition he will be able to donate blood, Penberthy said.

At the collecting center the persons giving blood will be examined and passed on by an attending physician or nurse. They will give their blood in a screened off portion of the church.

Hospital Group Inspects Unit

Methods to better acquaint the student body with the policies of the college hospital were discussed last night by members of the Hospital Committee of the Student Senate and Dr. J. E. Marsh, head of the college hospital.

The committee, according to Jim Wood, secretary, agreed to investigate possibilities of publishing articles in The Battalion showing students what their money is being used for in regard to medical facilities, Wood said. Also, these articles would explain what services the college hospital offers students and how the policies of the hospital are formulated.

Advisors who will work with the committee are Bennie Zinn, assistant to the dean of men; and Col. Joe Davis, commandant. Carroll Jones is student chairman of the committee.

Annual Texas Turf Meeting Opens Today

The sixth annual Texas Turf Conference will be held here, today, Thursday and Friday, announced Dr. J. R. Walton, Jr., agronomist in charge of the research and instruction.

Dr. Watson expects an attendance of 100 to 125 persons. Everyone interested in turf is invited, he said.

The program will include talks on football field turf, cemetery turf, park turf and turf for golf courses. Speakers scheduled include personnel of the A&M System and other persons in the state who are connected with turf work.

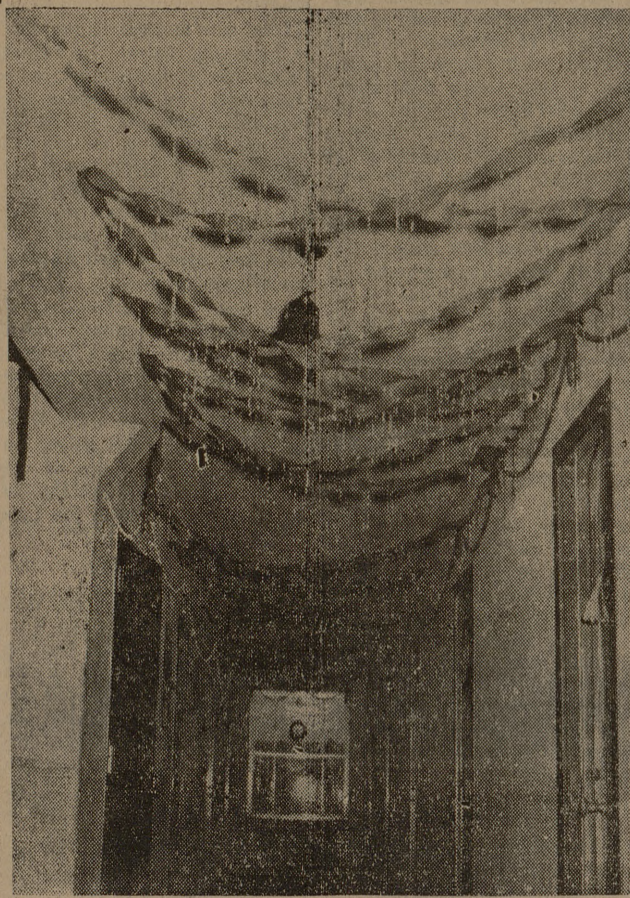
Two of the principal speakers are O. J. Noer agronomist with the Milwaukee Sewage Commission, one of the outstanding turf men of the nation, and Tom Mascaro of the West Point Lawn Products Company of Pennsylvania.

"Mr. Mascaro and his brother invented the turf aerifier, which

Draft Exams Set For Tomorrow

Selective service examinations for approximately 50 students will be held tomorrow in the MSC Ballroom, W. A. Varvel of the education and psychology department, said. The tests will begin at 8:30 tomorrow morning and last until 12:30.

Dormitory Decorations



Units on the campus have started to get ready for the Christmas season by trying to decorate up the long dark halls in the dormitories. The cadets use the full line of decorations in beautifying



the living quarters. Like in this Hall way, which was fixed up with crepe paper and tin foil. Many of the units go all of the way towards Christmas, by putting up the traditional tree.

Jet Fighters Sweep Korea, Look for MIGs

By ROBERT EUNSON

Seoul, Korea, Dec. 12—(AP)—U. S. Sabre jet fighters today swept over northwest Korea but sighted none of the Communists MIG-15 jets that almost daily flock out of Manchuria.

A U. S. Fifth Air Force summary said a U. S. F-80 shooting star jet crashed and burned in Red territory with "no chance of pilot survival." It gave no details.

Doughboys in mist-draped hills across the front held their fire as the twilight war continued.

A half dozen patrols poked out across the hill country west of Yonchon, holding up and calling for artillery support at the first sign of Reds.

West of the punchbowl, on the eastern front, one Red probing force of about two platoons was hurled back after a brief skirmish.

Elsewhere there was little to report except brief patrol contacts in no-man's-land.

Temperatures ranged from a bone chilling 5 degrees above zero in the East to 40 above in the West.

Female Flutist Steals Act During Town Hall Concert

By JERRY BENNETT
Battalion Staff Writer

A flute soloist, little known to A&M audiences, will not soon be forgotten in Aggeland after her performance in Town Hall last night.

Miss Elaine Shaffer, accompanied by the 85 piece Houston Symphony, received a warm ovation from the near capacity crowd for her talented rendition of "Suite for Flute and Strings," by Telleman.

The concert consisted of the entire presentation of Tchaikovsky's "Fifth Symphony," followed by the playing of the "Suite for Flute and Strings" and "Suite from Die Fledermaus" by Johann Strauss.

"Rarely Gets Nervous"

Dressed in a low cut blue evening dress, the beautiful and talented Miss Shaffer said she rarely gets nervous when giving a concert.

She was graduated from Curtis Institute in Philadelphia in 1947 and started to work for the Houston Symphony in 1948. This is her fourth season with the orchestra. Efreim Kurtz, conductor and director of the Houston Symphony, said she is one of the leading flute players in the nation.

Kurtz was called back after the program to conduct the orchestra

in four encores. They were Prokofieff's "March" from the opera "Three Oranges," "Spieleri" by Stix and "Perpetual Motion" by Johann Strauss.

A rendition of "Sousa's March" closed the program.

Kurtz said the concert was received by a "wonderful audience." They responded tremendously, he added.

When asked what his plans are for the future, Kurtz replied he will conduct several concerts in the United States and abroad.

The conductor was favorably impressed with A&M. He said it was something all the United States and the United Nations should know about. "He especially liked the MSC."

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Tau Beta Pi Ceremony Friday Initiates 25 New Members

Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity, will initiate 25 undergraduate and six alumni members Friday. The ceremony will be held at 5:30 p. m. in the Chemistry Lecture Room and will be followed by a banquet that night in the MSC Assembly Room.

Approximately 100 guests are expected to attend the banquet, according to Teddy Hirsch, president of the organization. Featured speaker on the program will be Dr. T. F. Mayo, head of the English department, who will speak on "Great Books."

In order to be eligible for mem-

bership in Tau Beta Pi, a student must be at least a classified junior with a grade point ratio of 2.75. A senior, to be eligible for membership, must rank in the upper ten per cent of his class and have a grade point ratio of not less than 2.25.

Alumni members of the association are chosen from those graduates who would have been eligible for membership in the honorary association if Tau Beta Pi had been in existence on the A&M campus at the time they were students, Hirsch said.

These men are recommended for

British Consul-General To Discuss Empire Stand on Egypt Tonight

Slide Rule Winners Hear Harrington

"We can not be satisfied with just average performance," President of the College M. T. Harrington pointed out to freshmen Mechanical Engineering students at the presentation of awards for the 23rd Annual Slide Rule Contest yesterday.

Dr. Harrington expressed the hope that the contest would prove an incentive to greater effort for all who took part in it. "Just getting by is not in the spirit of American tradition," he emphasized.

The Slide Rule Contest had its origin in 1938 according to C. W. Crawford, Head of the Mechanical Engineering Department. He credited C. W. Fleming with revitalizing the contest in 1940 with his suggestion that plaques be presented to the winners in each department of the School of Engineering.

The winner of the first award this year is Robert E. Zumwalt, Chemical Engineering major from Hallettsville. Dr. rank C. Bolton, president emeritus, presented him with a Dietzgen slide rule and Dr. Harrington presented him with the first place plaque.

Edwin Bennett, Daniel P. Wheat, Raymond C. Arhelger, Travis G. Wunderlich, and Arthur F. Barborak finished in the top six in that order and were awarded slide rules.

First and second place awards were made in each department. They were as follows: Aeronautical Engineering, Robert Ruiz and Richard F. Weick; Agricultural Engineering, Ira Hugh Harrington and John P. Dewald; Architecture, Raymond C. Arhelger and John James Jones; Chemical Engineering, Robert E. Zumwalt and Jack E. Spell; Civil Engineering, Daniel P. Wheat and Ernest M. Stone.

Electrical Engineering, Kenneth Leroy Scott and Lawrence G. Francis; Geological Engineering, James H. Diggs and Jerry Ramsey; Industrial Engineering, Travis G. Wunderlich and Homer C. Homeyer; Mechanical Engineering, Edwin Bennett and Robert G. Tatum; Petroleum Engineering, Walter L. Crandall and Morgan Shipman.

In a special group for competitors having had prior college slide rule work Arthur F. Barborak was first, Donald Ray Dies, second and Wilson D. Watson, Jr., third.

"This is a great day for the engineer," Dr. Boten announced to the freshmen. But he pointed out that just as a good football team always comes out on top over a mediocre one so it is with engineers or anyone else in this competitive world.

British Consul-General James T. Henderson will speak tonight at 7 o'clock in the MSC Assembly Room. He will discuss the Anglo-Egyptian crisis from the British view point.

A question and answer period will follow Henderson's speech. During this period, he will attempt to answer some of the charges which Col. Abdel Ghaleb, Egyptian military attache made in his speech here Friday night.

The British consul-general was invited to the campus by the MSC directorate, the history department, The Battalion, and the A&M United Nations club.

Oxford Graduate

After he was graduated from Oxford University in England, Henderson joined the British foreign service in 1925 and served with the legation in Teheran, Persia, Athens, Greece, and Helsinki, Finland.

Henderson was made a first secretary in the Far Eastern Department in 1935 and later attached to the Finland legation in May, 1937.

In Japan and Chile

Henderson worked in Tokyo, Japan, in 1938 and in Chile in 1941 where he worked until 1944. He then was recalled by the foreign office assigned to duty in the Near Eastern Department.

He was named the consul-general for the states of Texas and New Mexico after serving as consular at Stockholm, Sweden from 1946 until 1949.

The men responsible for arrangements during the consul-general's visit to the campus are Dr. S. R. Gammon, head of the history department; Dan Davis, MSC Council; President Charles Beagle of the United Nations club, and John Whitmore, editor of The Battalion.

Tom Rountree, MSC House Committee chairman is co-ordinator for the four organizations.

Hometown Club Xmas Party List

Various hometown clubs and other campus groups are planning parties over the Christmas holidays. The Battalion is printing a list of these activities for the benefit of the members of these groups. Today's is the first in the series which will appear daily.

Guadalupe-Comal County Club—Banquet, Thursday, Dec. 27, 7:30 p. m., American Legion Home, Seguin. Admission, \$1 per plate. Gonzales County Club—Dance, Friday, Dec. 21, Hillcrest Supper Club, Gonzales; Aggeland Orchestra will play, admission, \$3.60.

San Antonio Club—Dance, Thursday, Dec. 27, Shadowland, Mack Rogers Band will play. Admission, \$3.75.

Fort Worth Club—Dance, Friday, Dec. 28, Venetian Room, Blackstone Hotel, Kenneth Vaughan Orchestra. Tickets \$2.50 if bought in advance and \$3 at door. Groom Club—Dance, Friday, Dec. 28, Groom American Legion Hall, No charge.

Weatherford Club—Informal dance, Wednesday, Dec. 26, VFW Hall, Weatherford. Dance begins at 8 p. m.

Houston County Club—Dance, Friday, Dec. 28, 8 p. m. Crockett Country Club, Admission \$2.

Flax County Club—Dance, Thursday, Dec. 27, 9 p. m., VFW Home in Kenedy. Music by Burg Morisse. Admission, \$1.50.

Laredo Club—Dance, Sunday, Dec. 23, 9 p. m., Martin High School Gym, Ralph Galvan Orchestra. Admission, \$5.

Dance Scheduled After Cotton Bowl

The Cotton Bowl Athletic Association will sponsor a New Year's Eve dance for students of the Southwest Conference schools and the University of Kentucky in the Student Union Building on the campus of Southern Methodist University from 9:00 p. m. until 1:30 a. m., announced by Leonard Green, Cotton Bowl president.

There will be no admission charge for the dance and students will be admitted upon presentation of student activity or identification cards.

The Cotton Bowl Queen and all of the princesses, including Miss Wanda Harris of TSCW, representing A&M, will be presented during the dance.

Reds Make New Truce Proposals

By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN

Munsan, Korea, Dec. 12—(AP)—A new Red plan for exchanging prisoners of war and an Allied compromise for supervising a Korean truce with neutral observers fell on cold shoulders today.

The United Nations command expressed fears publicly for the first time that the Communists might not give up all the prisoners they hold.

Bad Faith

The fear was expressed in turning down a five-point prisoner exchange plan advanced today by Communist negotiators at Panmunjom. The Red proposal still called for release of all prisoners. The U. N. insists on a man-for-man exchange.

The U. N. command is concerned, "that premature agreement on bulk exchange of prisoners before adequate data is available could result in sizable numbers not being recovered."

Allied negotiators, the Communists added, "excoriated the Communists" for not letting the Red Cross see how prisoners are being treated and for refusing to say how many prisoners they hold and where.

The Reds have said they would supply the information only after the Allies agree on a blanket exchange. They kept this stand in their five-point plan.

The number of Allied troops in Red hands has been estimated at from 98,000 to 139,000. The U. N. says it holds between 120,000 and 135,000 Chinese and North Korean Reds.

The only new factors introduced in the Red plan would be to exchange prisoners in groups at Panmunjom, the sick and wounded first, under joint Allied-Red supervision.

\$150 in Prizes Donated

Battalion Christmas Decoration Contest Builds Interest in CS

With judging only a week away, The Battalion 1951 Christmas Decoration Contest has received even more support from the City of College Station than sponsors had anticipated.

The mounting enthusiasm to make the community beautifully decorated for the holiday season is attributed partly to a reawakening of the old-fashioned spirit of Christmas and hope for a world of peace, and also to prizes of local businessmen who are supporting the contest 100 per cent.

At press time today, prizes totaling nearly \$150 had been received by The Battalion for winning displays. More are expected.

In order to make the competition fair to all and provide efficient judging, the city-wide contest is divided into three divisions.

Division I, for all residents of College Station other than students, has four sections.

A first prize will be given the winner of each of these sections: 1. the most beautiful doorway; 2. the most attractive window; 3. the best decorated outside tree; and 4.

a miscellaneous classification for the best display not included in one of the other three sections.

Non-Dormitory Students

Division II, for students not living in dormitories, is composed of two sections, 1. the most beautiful window, and 2. a miscellaneous decoration.

First, second, and third prizes will be awarded for the three most beautiful window decorations, and one first prize will be given for the best display other than a window decoration.

Division III, for dormitory students, will be judged by companies, or dormitory floors. As in each of the other two contest divisions, this division will include four prizes. First and second prizes will be given in two sections, 1. the best company sign, and 2. the best decorated floor.

Judged From Inside

The latter section is the only one which will be judged from inside the building. All other decorations must be visible from the street. The contest will be judged Dec. 18, and must be entered on a

Battalion entry blank, or entered on the list in The Battalion Office, second floor, Goodwin Hall.

All entries must be made by 6 p. m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, and residents entering more than one section must so specify on their entry blanks.

First In City

Believing this to be the first city-wide decorations contest in the history of College Station, The Battalion contacted pioneers to substantiate the theory.

Mrs. P. L. Downs, who has lived here for eleven years, said to her knowledge this is the first contest of this kind to be held locally.

Then, a real old-timer was located. Mrs. R. P. Marsteller, who has lived on the A&M campus since she was a child, said, "I can't vouch that there has never been a Christmas decorations contest in College Station, but I can assure you that there has not been one in this century!"

In view of the festive spirit and enthusiasm which has greeted this civic rivalry, The Battalion is happy to sponsor this long-overdue holiday activity. (See CONTEST, Page 6)