

Shivers Speaks

ALLEN SHIVERS has stepped forward as the leader of reform in the Democratic party, which has shown itself so badly in need of it. In deciding to stand for renomination to the office of Governor of Texas which he has held constructively and honorably for the greater part of two terms, since the sudden death of Beuford Jester, Mr. Shivers obviously has in mind that he can be of greater service as Governor in the fight to clear the party's name and record than he could be in a federal post, should he seek and be elected to it.

At their recent conference in Hot Springs, southern Governors entrusted to Allan Shivers leadership in their combined efforts to restore honor and dignity to the Democratic party. They were conscious that, nationally, the party has embraced socialism in the visible effort to exploit its emotional public appeal to entrenched conscienceless venality in centralized power. The thinking South, never abandoning the cardinal Democratic principle of States' rights, is nauseated when the plundering political policies of Tweed and Pendergast are piously palmed off as Jeffersonian ideals. At Hot Springs they went on record against it.

Governor Shivers' press conference Saturday made his position clear. He is a Democrat who can not vote for the party candidate if this is Harry Truman himself or just another Truman. Many Southerners are deluded by, others injured to, still others suborned by the lack of principle in the national administration. Unlike these the Governor made it clear that he has hitherto voted for the nominee in hopes of reform. Now he recognizes that it is hopeless to expect anything of the Truman wing but continuing refusal or inability to serve the country instead of themselves. When a good American's stomach turns, he wants a remedy, not excuses and promises.

Significant in Governor Shivers' uninhibited discussion with his questioners was his forthright rejection of Chief Justice Vinson because of his written opinion in the tidelands case. A good constitutional lawyer could question the fitness for the bench of any jurist subscribing to that particular opinion. It stands to reason that no fundamental constitutionalist can believe that the man who wrote the opinion could be trusted to support the Constitution. Assuming that Allan Shivers speaks for most of his fellow Governors, the chosen leaders of the South, here is notice to the Pendergast plunderbund that revolt is on the way.

Governor Shivers' announcement is clear-cut recognition that the leadership to which he has been named is a trust that can only be carried out by continuing to serve.

—Dallas News.

Critic's Row

Flame of Araby Cools Audience

By JERRY BENNETT
Battalion Staff Writer

"Flame of Araby"—starring Maureen O'Hara and Jeff Chandler—produced by Universal International — Palace Theater, Sunday-Tuesday.

"Flame of Araby," now insulting man's intelligence in Bryan never gets hotter than a campfire in a rainstorm. It only serves to prove that television isn't so bad after all.

Jeff Chandler, modeling the latest in Arabian sportswear, acts as if still punch-drunk from his last fight in "Iron Man". As do all good Hollywood Arabs, Chandler eats hunks of charred meat on a stick with great enthusiasm, probably thankful for anything after his meal in Duncan Mess Hall last year.

BETWEEN BITES, he makes screen history with such momentous lines as "Allah be praised, filthy dog," and "By the beard of the Prophet."

Red haired Maureen O'Hara, sunburned survivor of countless sandy epics, is at home again in her usual role of a frustrated desert princess. While the sun melts her mascara, she romps from oasis to oasis with all the energy of a bubble dancer at a county fair.

Photographed in technicolor against an African background, which looks remarkably like west Texas, both players injure their reputation as competent actors in a story that has been done many times. Universal International, not content with just a corrupted version of the "Arabian Nights" has also borrowed themes from the average western horse opera.

AT TIMES the spectator wonders if the players have made some mistakes and gotten on a Roy Rogers set instead of their own.

The story concerns intrepid Bedouin horse trader (Chandler), who is in love with a spirited black stallion (this horse has great possibilities). Just when he is about to pop the question, "Will you join my herd?", Maureen walks into his confused but happy life.

It seems that she is being pursued by three filthy villains who

have murdered her father and confiscated the kingdom. Thus the usual triangle is formed; man, woman, and horse.

NATURALLY Jeff jilts the horse and asks the princess to marry him. The only hitch is wives of Bedouins have to chew horse hide so it will be pliable for the making of their husbands' shoes.

This of course is distasteful to the princess who has been raised on such nourishing desert food as dates and toasted crickets.

But after an hour of sheer boredom, the villains are foiled, the stallion gets the horse laugh, Maureen consents to eat leather, and everybody is happy but the disillusioned customer.

Daily Job

Not Like Mother's Cooking But Feeds 12,612 Meals

By R. H. WALKER

Why can't the mess halls compete with Mother's cooking?

It might be because they prepare 12,612 meals every day. It might also be because the total operating cost every day is \$6,316.

Also Mother never tried to cook 4,000 steaks for one meal.

The mess halls operate on a very close budget. So close, in fact, that they must depend upon students being gone during the weekends in order to operate without a financial loss. They stay in the red during the week and make it up on weekends.

THEY DO HAVE a little help along these lines from the menus posted on the mess hall doors. They tend to scare the students from eating various meals.

Students usually get what we pay for, and in this case we pay only \$1.32 per day for meals. This is not spent during weekends and holidays, but the mess hall personnel must be paid straight through.

Quality of meats is a pet peeve of Aggies. Nevertheless, the meats are bought from only the best meat packers in Texas and it is all very rigidly government inspected.

Some meat is also furnished from the class work of the meat labs. This is also thoroughly inspected by the Sanitation Department.

VEGETABLES AND other produce is bought in the same manner as meats in 9,000-lb. loads from the lowest bids. Everything is bought on competitive bids.

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We laugh—To think how much fun an Aggie block of 500 voters could have in College Station politics if they paid their poll tax this month in Brazos County.

We laugh—To see so many Aggies of voting age not exercising their right of franchise. It's time to pay your poll tax this month if you want to vote for Ike.

We laugh—To think what Mark Clark could do to the 36th Division—it ain't funny. We hope he goes to Rome and does as the Romans do.

We laugh—When we read that Harry Truman is honorary president of the International Mark Twain Society. Wonder what he is offering the boys as white wash. He has plenty of boys who will go down river with him on the raft.

We laugh—When we realize that "our plans may be changed" after reading that the Draft calls will rise by spring; that more reserve officers, especially those in with low rank and high skills—technically trained men will be called in, that the army is weighing the need for two more national guard divisions on active duty.

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Churchill Same; Still Unpredictable

By ED CREAUGH
(For Hal Boyle)

Washington, Jan. 14.—(AP)—"One thing you must remember about Mr. Churchill," said the visiting Englishman, "is that he was thrown from a donkey at the age of four—and landed on his head."

Then he grinned at our startled expressions and went on to explain himself: "I'm not suggesting there is anything wrong with the old boy's head now. Far from it. But you can always count on him to do the unexpected, just as he was doing when he was four."

"SO I'D GO easy, if I were you chaps, on forecasting what he's likely to tell you Congress when he addresses it next Thursday. He may surprise you. He may surprise even himself."

One of the reporters around the table, an American, nodded. "Like before D-Day in the late war," he said. "Churchill, you know, was dead set against an invasion of the south of France. Fought it at the Quebec conference and kept right on fighting it."

"Well, we did push into southern France, and who should turn up on the deck of a destroyer offshore, giving his V-sign, cheering the boys on—but good old Winnie."

WE MULLED that one for a while. Then the Englishman said: "He's one of the few great men this century has seen. No doubt about that. But he can act like a spoiled child on occasion."

"At one of the Big Three conferences during the war—Yalta, it must have been, and he's told this story himself—Churchill stormed out of a party because Stalin and Molotov were pulling his leg over the question of what to do with Germany."

"The Russians went after him, clapped him on the back and said what amounted to, 'rats, old boy,

come back and have a nip. We were only playing.' They had the devil of a time convincing him."

GREAT KIDDERS, those Russians," said one of the Americans, sourly. "Churchill, though," another said, "has a priceless sense of humor himself. It's a dry, deliberately nonsensical kind of humor—more Americans than British. Yet he adds his own John Bull touch to it."

"Back in 1943 he visited Niagra Falls and a young reporter asked how he liked it. Churchill said he'd seen the Falls long before the reporter was born—back around 1900, as I remember."

"WELL," THE kid said, "have they changed much?" "Churchill looked as if he were deliberating. Then he said, with that chuckle of his: 'The principle seems the same. The water still keeps falling over.'"

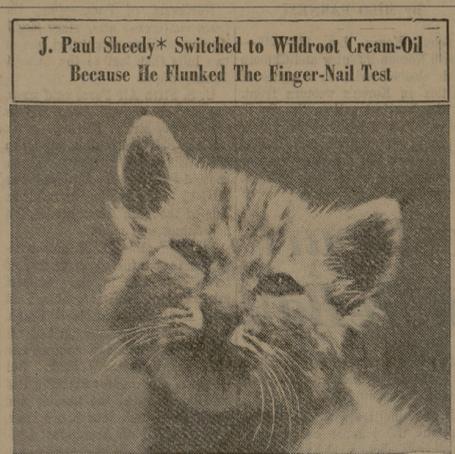
Col. Schember Will Talk to Reserves

The 9807th Volunteer Air Reserve Training Squadron will hold its regular weekly meeting tonight at 7:30 p. m. in the MSC. Lt. Col. Victor E. Schember will discuss "Concept of Air Force Administration."

All Air Force Reserve personnel, both airmen and officers, in the Bryan, College Station, and Navasota area are invited to attend the meeting, even though they are not members of the 9807th Squadron. Individuals attending the meeting will earn points toward retirement and promotion.

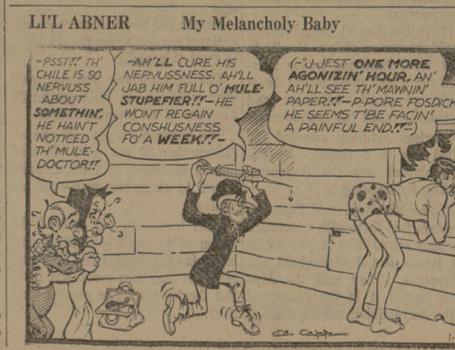
Col. Schember will supplement his discussion with the use of motion pictures.

Health Unit. It has almost a perfect record and is setting the example for many local cafes. This record has been only occasionally marred by such incidents as mops being left in the refrigerators. The mess halls furnish employment for 133 cadets plus an additional 13 students employed in the cafeteria. These students earn \$1.32 per day or 44 cents per meal. Waiting tables is considered one of the better paying student jobs on the campus. "If food continues to rise, I would rather lower the standard of feeding than raise the cost," Penniston remarked.



NONE of the girls were wild about this Wildcat. His hair looked like something the cat dragged in! "I'm feline mighty low," he told his Paw. "Every Tomcat, Dick and Harry on campus has dates but me!" "Yes, Siam aware of that, son. You need Wildroot Cream-Oil hair tonic. All the cats are using it because it's non-alcoholic. Contains soothing Lanolin. Relieves annoying dryness. Removes loose, ugly dandruff. Help you puss—I mean pass the Finger-Nail Test." So Paul got Wildroot Cream-Oil, and now he's the most popular Persian at school. Purr-haps it's what you need! Take some small change out of your kitty and pussy-foot it to the nearest drug or toilet goods counter for a bottle or tube of Wildroot Cream-Oil. And ask for professional application at your favorite barber shop. Hurry—meow is the time!

* of 131 So. Harris Hill Rd., Williamsville, N. Y. Wildroot Company, Inc., Buffalo 11, N. Y.



Vishinsky's Atomic Inspection Proposal Given to Assembly

Paris, Jan. 14.—(AP)—The Western Big Three formally proposed today that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky's new atomic proposals be shunted from the U.N. General Assembly to the newly created disarmament commission.

Britain, France and the United States circulated a resolution to that effect.

The three powers were treading carefully until they could get a chance to gauge the effect on world opinion of Vishinsky's offer to make a ban on atomic weapons simultaneous with establishment of a control system and to permit continuous U.N. inspection—rather than only periodic checks—of atomic energy facilities.

Many high sources felt that the Russian diplomat had scored a propaganda triumph that the West must counter with extreme care and delicacy.

The Western position so far was that the Vishinsky proposals offer-

ed nothing the General Assembly would take up profitably now, and the disarmament commission is the proper forum for the Russian move.

A British spokesman saw in Vishinsky's move a victory for Western persistence in resisting the earlier Russian demands for immediate and unconditional prohibition of the atomic weapon.

These modifications of the Russian position, the spokesman said, evidently resulted from the secret Big Four disarmament talks held last month.

This, he said, gave rise to a hope discussions on atomic control in the disarmament commission might bring the East and West closer together on the subject.

U. S. delegate Ernest Gross said Vishinsky's proposal was "double talk . . . words without meaning."

British spokesmen said Russia's latest plan could not be branded propaganda immediately. But the

delegates were keenly aware of the propaganda punch Vishinsky packs into such moves.

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The Battalion

— We Laugh —

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions
"Soldier, Statesman, Knighly Gentleman"

The Battalion, official newspaper of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, is published by students five times a week during the regular school year. During the summer terms, The Battalion is published four times a week, and during examination and vacation periods, twice a week. Days of publication are Monday through Friday for the regular school year, Tuesday through Friday during the summer terms, and Tuesday and Thursday during vacation and examination periods. Subscription rates \$4.00 per year or \$1.50 per month. Advertising rates furnished on request.

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We laugh at the sublime and at the ridiculous.

We laugh—When we read about the comments of an editor of a military school newspaper, he is fast on his way to being an army officer, about the noise that four little training planes made one day this week flying over Aggie land.

We laugh—To see the number of Aggies who do not know where the new modern Dairy Center is, or have seen the new \$360,000 Poultry farm or have ever heard of "Swine Heaven". Running out there some afternoon is the fastest way of going to heaven I know of.

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Tonight the Aggie seek their third ketball win over SMU Mustangs at Dallas.

SMU has been on beat on their own last couple of years court jinx gave them wins in 12 starts in 53 in their only hic this season.

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