

Allied-Red Negotiators Agree on Prisoner Exchange

Munsan, Korea, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Allied negotiators today accepted a 60-day limit on exchanging prisoners and offered to compromise their demands for supervising a Korean truce.

The Communists had proposed the 60-day limit. The exchange period is to start when an armistice is signed. The agreement does not touch the key question of voluntary repatriation.

More Time

The United Nations command, holding 132,000 prisoners, had wanted 30 days more than was allowed the Reds to complete the exchange. The Reds list only 11,559 men in Red POW camps.

Allied staff officers negotiating details for supervising a truce offered a two-point compromise:

(1) If Communists agree to rotating 40,000 troops a month in addition to men on temporary leave, the Allies will drop two demands the Reds oppose.

One of these would forbid shifting troops during a truce in a manner that could constitute an offensive threat. The other would require weekly reports on the location of all major military units.

Reds originally agreed to rotating 5,000 men monthly. They have increased this to 30,000. Allies originally asked 75,000 including men on rest and recuperation leave to Japan.

(2) Both sides "meet halfway" on the number of ports of entry through which troops and arms would move under neutral supervision during a truce.

The Allies had proposed eight. Wednesday they cut it to seven.

The Reds had proposed three. Tuesday they increased it to four. There was no word from the Communists when they would have ready their new proposed solution for the fifth and final item of the armistice agenda. This deals with recommendations to the government concerned for a settlement of the Korean problem.

New Plan

The Reds promised Tuesday to draft a new plan. It will be presented to a full dress negotiating session.

Meanwhile staff officers continue working on details of the other two unsettled armistice clauses. But each is by-passing the most troublesome issue.

These by-passed points are: shall the Reds be allowed to repair bombed out airfields? Shall prisoners of war have free choice

of whether they want to be exchanged?

Staff officers dealing with prisoners agreed to skip over the voluntary repatriation question Thursday when they start going over the 11-point Allied plan for the second time.

A U. N. command communique said staff negotiators have reached such "substantial areas of accord" they "will begin work on the final draft" of the prisoner clause.

In Wednesday's session they spent considerable time discussing the role of Joint Red Cross teams. The Reds have agreed to such teams, but object to outlining their functions in detail.

Slow

Col. George W. Hickman, Allied staff officer, said the Communists say too strict rules might slow down the return of prisoners.

Allies told Communist negotiators there was no reason to assume that Red Cross work would interfere with administrative activity in POW camps or delay the exchange of prisoners.

Hickman said it would not be absolutely necessary for Red Cross teams to do the jobs assigned to them before POWs would be permitted to be exchanged. He told the Reds:

"This would not be mandatory for all prisoners. It would be idle, for instance, to have the Red Cross accompany General Dean to the exchange point."

He referred to Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, former commander of the U. S. 14th Division who was captured less than a month after the Korean war began. It was the first time Dean's name was introduced into formal armistice discussions at Panmunjom.

Engineers Week Announced By Langford

"Engineer's Week" has been proclaimed for the period Feb. 17-23, Mayors George Adams of Bryan, and Ernest Langford of College Station, announced yesterday.

This week has been set aside in appreciation of the engineering profession, Adams and Langford said.

"So much is owed by all of us to the comparatively few, who make up this great profession, who have pioneered, developed and brought to fruition many of the vast benefits to our economic, industrial and social well being.

"They have helped with the protection of life, health and property, in the development of agricultural, petroleum and mineral resources, ways and means of transportation, water, power, light, sanitation and communication systems, and conservation of natural resources.

"It is therefore, fitting that we recognize and honor these benefactors of mankind," the mayors concluded.

Cotton Ball Club Ducats Available

Any club or campus organization who has not received an invitation to the annual Cotton Ball and Pageant, scheduled for April 25, should contact Don Hegi in Dorm 12-116.

The annual spring pageant and dance is sponsored by the Agronomy Society.

Probation Figures Show Improvement Over 1950-51

The academic problems of students registered in the three principal schools of the college, Engineering, Arts and Sciences, and Agriculture have taken a turn for the better, if comparison with records of last year are taken into consideration.

In all three of the main college schools the number of students on academic probation decreased over the 1950-51 school year figures.

Almost 23 per cent or 388 of the 1,708 students enrolled in the School of Engineering were placed on probation while 190 undergraduate engineering students were

distinguished students. Nine students changed their courses to some phase of engineering at the end of the first semester.

Figures showing the number of students on probation within the School of Engineering compare favorably with last year's total. From an enrollment of 2,343 last year, 589, or almost 25 per cent were on academic probation.

In the School of Arts and Sciences 144 students were placed on the probation list last semester, while 111 were classed as distinguished students. During the same period of the 1950-51 school year there were 209 students in the school on probation.

The School of Agriculture showed the smallest number of students on academic probation, but also showed the smallest number of distinguished students. Twenty four students were placed on probation and 16 were recognized as distinguished students. Fourteen students changed their course to the School of Agriculture at the close of the first semester.

Last year, the School of Agriculture listed 41 students on probation out of an enrollment of 1,517.

Don't Be Alarmed; They're Not Dead

Notice! To anyone who thought he saw bodies in the Student Senate Chamber of the MSC yesterday afternoon; they were NOT, senators.

The "stiffs" laid out on the senators' desks were in reality the dummies removed from the Bowling Alley area to make way for "Cafe Rue Pinalle."

But to anyone just passing by, the Senate Chamber had taken on the appearance of the Catacombs of Rome.

TSCW Hosts Journalist Meet March 20-22

The campus of TSCW will be the site for the twenty-second annual Southwest Journalism Congress. The congress will begin on the afternoon of March 20 and last until noon March 22.

Each year journalists from colleges in the Southwest attend the conference to discuss their achievements and listen to noted speakers in the field of journalism. This year's program promises to present a sparkling list of big names and is designed for "fun, fellowship and education that develops when journalists gather," says Pat Powless, president of the conference.

Bill Streich, Sid Abernathy, Andy Anderson and Frank Davis represented A&M last year when the congress met at the University of Oklahoma. Representatives from TSCW, Texas University, Texas Christian, Baylor, Southern Methodist, University of Houston, Louisiana State, Tulane, Oklahoma University and Oklahoma A&M also attended. So far this year's representatives from A&M have not been chosen; however, D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department, will accompany the students who will attend.

The conference was originally slated for sometime in April, but last year's delegates felt that a March date would be better for attendance at conventions.

Shivers Appoints RVs To Represent Texas At Annual Mardi Gras

By BILL STREICH
Battalion Managing Editor

Gov. Allan Shivers has officially designated the Ross Volunteers to represent the state of Texas at the annual Mardi Gras celebration in New Orleans, Feb. 19-26. Dick Ingels, commander of the organization, said last night.

The letter from Governor Shivers was received yesterday morning, Ingels said. In part the letter reads:

"It gives me great pleasure to designate this fine organization to represent the state of Texas at the Mardi Gras."

During the New Orleans celebration, the RVs will be the official honor escort for King Rex, king of the celebration. A letter from the New Orleans Rex Organization to Ingels extended the invitation to the local group.

One of Ten Parades

The Rex Parade Feb. 26 which is only one of ten similar events on the Mardi Gras program, is the final parade of the celebration. It is also the main parade of the Mardi Gras, Ingels added.

"On the morning of the parade a masked horseman will meet us at our assembly area and direct us to the king's float," the Ross Volunteer commander said. "The float will be the last one in the parade and the RVs will march on all sides of it."

While in New Orleans, the Ross Volunteers will be quartered in housing areas at the Port of Embarkation. They will be served meals at the officer's mess there.

Official permission from the college for members of the military organization to miss classes for the Mardi Gras was granted by a committee composed of W. L. Penberthy, dean of men; Col. Joe E. Davis, commandant and coordinator of military training; and Dr. C. C. French, dean of the college.

\$300 Donated

In addition, President M. T. Harrington has promised the Ross Volunteers \$300 to defray the cost of the trip. The organization's members will travel to the Crescent City in private cars, Ingels added.

New Orleans Superintendent of Police Joseph L. Scherering informed Ingels that an escort would be provided on the morning of the Rex parade to make certain the RVs would get to the assembly point in time to march.

"During the parade we will perform the manual of arms while marching and the singing cadence," the RV commander said.

Entertainment Planned

The A&M New Orleans club is planning entertainment for the RVs while they are there, Ingels added. John Cuthrell, president of the A&M ex-students in New Orleans, said that group would try to secure admission to some of the Mardi Gras dances for the Ross Volunteers and also plan a special party for the visiting Aggies.

In addition, the New Orleans group is attempting to raise funds to help pay for part of the Ross (See RVs, Page 4)



"Aw, twern't nothing, I just took an old feed sack and got out my needle and thread and had a new dress," said Mrs. Warren Le-Bourveau, who was crowned queen of the Lions Club Ladies Night Monday for the best costume. Her bashful beau Lucian Morgan who received a prize for being the best dressed Lion at the party.

Said to Be Different

Helmet Liners and Boots Uniform for Combat Dance

By PHILIP GOUGLER
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Get out your cigarettes and chocolate bars—your gal will love you for this!

She will, that is, if she really dresses and plays the part of a liberated fraulein, Geisha gal, French can-can floozy, or any foreign belle that she's supposed to in the Combat Ball, scheduled March 21, in Sbsia Hall.

Don't laugh. Your evening attire will be equally "different." The standard Combat Arms, Armor, Artillery, and Infantry uniform for the dance will be fatigues, combat boots, and helmet liners in keeping with the prevailing spirit and tactics of these service branches.

Persons not appropriately dressed will be "sentenced to hard labor" in the Internment Compound.

"Military Genius"

Low Jobe, program chairman, announced that negotiations with the United Nations have been completed so that a "military genius from one of the countries behind the iron bars curtain can attend."

It is believed this noted traveler will match wits with the leading Combat Arms instructors, Jobe said.

It has been rumored from the boys in blue that a personal representative of the Air Force will be present for the ball. Jobe said.

"This aviator is a veteran of three wars and noted for his

youth and daring skill. His air victories are fabulous. I have heard that he is on an 11th hour recruiting mission to the ground troops," he added.

Decorations

Decorations will be in harmony with front line positions of the various branches. In the case of an enemy attack on an unguarded flank, plenty of foxhole space and hand grenades will be handy.

The Aggieband Orchestra, under the direction of Bill Turner, will offer various selections during the evening.

All corps seniors with dates are invited if they are properly dressed for the occasion.

Tickets will be available at the Student Activities office beginning March 3. Admission is \$1 per couple.

Free TB X-Ray Scheduled Here March 21-29

All student, employees of the A&M System, residents of College Station, and all children over 15 years of age are eligible for a free, confidential chest X-Ray from March 21-29.

The Tuberculosis Division of the State Health Department will operate an X-Ray machine in the lobby of the YMCA continuously from 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. on these dates except for March 22 and 23, Saturday and Sunday.

If a person's X-Ray does not show signs of tuberculosis, he is sent a postcard. If evidence of tuberculosis is discovered, the person is sent a letter telling him to see a doctor.

W. L. Penberthy, dean of men, is chairman of the survey for the college and Mrs. W. M. Dowell is chairman for College Station.

"We want every one in this area 15 and over to have an X-Ray, regardless of whether or not they have had one within the past year," Penberthy said. "Last year, a few people whose X-Rays the year before were clear showed signs of tuberculosis."

Sophomores Cool Toward Move to Freshman Area

By JOHN WHITMORE
Battalion Editor

Col. Joe E. Davis, commandant, indicated to the sophomores last night, he was in favor of having a limited number of sophomores live with the freshmen.

He followed this statement up with the comment "We'll always Basic Division. The Board of Directors set it up, it was reported."

When the question of opening the freshman area to all sophomores,

straw vote was called for to see how many of the sophomores present wanted to make the move, two men stood up.

After Smallwood described the methods of getting in the Freshman regiment, Colonel Davis, it is reported, said there would be junior positions for all of this year's Basic Division sophomores.

"Corp Will Live Together"

Corps Staff Junior Joe Wallace said no list had been prepared to date of all the sophomores who would make the move. It is reported he said that eventually all the corps would live together.

Wallace, it is reported, charged the sophomores with shaping up the corps. Along this line, Smallwood is reported to have said, a man is molded into the kind of Aggie he is going to be in his first semester.

Sophomores who want to be assigned to the Freshman regiment, Smallwood said, should contact their unit commander or one of the Basic Division officers.

From the floor a sophomore asked if the upperclass unit C.O.'s were not going to recommend certain sophomores to move to the freshman area.

Plan Didn't Work

Colonel Davis is reported to have said that was to have been the original plan, but it was found out later this method would not work.

Another man asked if the unit commanders would not try to keep the good men in the upperclassman area and just send the "others."

Colonel Davis is reported to have said in the "Fish" area you can prove to yourself whether or not you are a leader of men.

He reportedly said, there would only be seven seniors in an upperclassman unit—exclusive of the staff men.

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Frogs to Attend Freshman Ball, Class Decides

Frogs will definitely be allowed to come to the Fish Ball, announced Karl Mielke, president of the Freshman class. Also invited are all seniors with dates. Freshman may attend with or without dates.

Tickets for the dance will be \$2, stag or couple. The Aggieband Orchestra will play for the dance, which will be from 8 to 12 Saturday night, March 1, in Sbsia Hall.

Deadline for turning in pictures of candidates for Freshman Sweetheart is Feb. 22. Pictures should be turned in at the Student Activities office in Goodwin Hall.

Six finalists will be chosen from the pictures by the Freshman class officers, committee chairmen, and Pete Hardesty, business manager of Student Activities. A committee selected from the honor guests attending the dance will choose the Sweetheart in person. Committee chairmen for the dance are: Edgar Watkins, dance; Ed Pennington, program; Jerry Ramsey, sweetheart; Dick McCasland, ticket; Chuck Newman, the guests; and Don Zale, decorations.

Jacobson, Forell Talk On RE Week Program

Rabbi David Jacobson and Dr. George W. Forell will be discussion leaders for Religious Emphasis Week, Feb. 17 to 22.

Rabbi Jacobson will live in Dorm 5 and will lead discussion for Dorms 5 and 7. Dr. Forell will live in Dorm 9 and will lead discussions for Dorms 9 and 11. Both men will be available for conferences during the week.

Topics for the afternoon discussion sessions will be those already selected by the students. Any subject of interest will be discussed during the evening sessions.

Classes will be dismissed one hour each morning during the week to give every one a chance to attend the services held by Dr. William E. Denham, principal speaker.

Rabbi Jacobson is minister of the Temple Beth-El in San Antonio, where he is president of the San Antonio Community Welfare Council and past president of the association of Texas Rabbis.

He received his AB degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1931, and his PhD from the University of Cambridge, England, in

1936. He was ordained as Rabbi by the Hebrew Union College in 1934.

Navy Chaplain

During the last war, Rabbi Jacobson served as a Navy Chaplain. He is the author of "Social Background of the Old Testament," and he is a contributor to the Universal Jewish Encyclopedia.

Rabbi Jacobson is also a member of the Advisory Council of the Atlantic Union, Inc., and a director of the Texas Safety Council.

Rabbi Jacobson comes to the campus under the joint sponsorship of the B'Nai B'Rith Hillel Foundation and the Jewish Chautauqua.

Dr. Forell, educational secretary of the National Lutheran Council, was born in Breslau, Germany, and was graduated from the University of Vienna in Austria. He is the fourth Lutheran pastor in his family.

Doctor Forell came to the United States in 1939, after his family was forced to flee from the Nazi government for aiding anti-Nazi refugees. Here he attended the Lutheran Theological Seminary at (See SPEAKERS, Page 2)

Relay Engineers Conference Set

Representatives of the electrical industry from all over Texas and many other states will meet at A&M for the fifth annual Conference for Protective Relay Engineers.

Prof. L. M. Haupt, chairman of the program planning committee, said leading engineers from both Texas and out-of-state, have been engaged to discuss various problems of design, application and operation of protective relay equipment as applied to electrical transmission lines and electrical machinery.

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