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## Fourth Industrial Conference Opens Here

The fourth Annual Industrial Teacher Conference got underway on the campus today. Sponsoring departments are Industrial Education and the Texas Engineering Extension Service. The conference will last through tomorrow. Registration begins this afternoon at 4 p. m. in the lobby of the MSC.

Sessions this afternoon will be devoted to demonstrations on the use of power circular saws and jointers by representatives of the Delta Tool Division of the Rockwell Manufacturing Company of Milwaukee, Wis.

The consultant for the conference will be Dewey Barich of the Community Relations Department of the Ford Motor Company of Dearborn, Mich. Barich is also manager of the Ford Motor Company Industrial Arts Award program. Friday evening Barich will speak on "Public Relations for Industrial Teachers."

Saturday morning will be devoted to visitation of the school shops of Consolidated and Bryan high schools and demonstrations on ceramics, metal spinning, leathercraft, and textiles in the Mechanical Engineering Shops building.



Miss Patti Cameron



Miss Beverly Hendricks



Miss Janice Turbeville



Miss Edwina Chamberlain

## Finalist for Freshman Sweetheart



Miss Gwen Clark

## Aggeland To Play

### Fish Ball Slated In Sbisra Saturday

By HARRI BAKER  
Battalion Staff Writer

Saturday is the big night for Freshmen. The class of '55 will dance to the music of the Aggeland Orchestra from 8 to 12 in Sbisra Hall.

Highlight of the festivities will be the selection of the Freshman Sweetheart. The six finalists are as follows:

- Gwen Clark, a 17-year-old Fort Worth girl, escorted by Tom Findley.
- Janice Turbeville, a San Marcos brunette, who is the date of James R. White.
- Sharon Hughes, from Abilene, with blue eyes and brown hair. She was entered by John Wooten.
- Patti Cameron, a brunette from McKinney, escorted by Dick McCasland.
- Edwina Chamberlain, a 5' 3" San Antonio brunette, entered by Paul Williams.
- Beverly Hendricks, a Fort Worth girl with brown hair and brown eyes. She is the date of Chester Slawson.

These finalists were selected by the sweetheart committee and the class officers from pictures turned in by the freshmen. Anyone that had entered a picture was not allowed to judge.

#### Judging Panel

A panel of judges selected from the honor guests at the dance will choose one of the six to be the freshman sweetheart. The girls will be introduced and presented to the judges during the first intermission.

During the second intermission, (See FRESHMEN, Page 4)

## Russell Enters President Race

Washington, Feb. 29—(AP)—The entry of Senator Richard Russell of Georgia into the Democratic presidential race raised serious threats today to the chances of candidate Estes Kefauver and possible candidate Harry S. Truman.

At the same time, a ruling by the Minnesota Supreme Court seemed likely to present Republican candidate Harold E. Stassen with a home-base nucleus of Minnesota's 28 presidential nominating delegates.

The court pleased Kefauver by ruling out a slate he said he didn't want to run in Minnesota against Senator Humphrey (D-Minn). The effect will be to give Humphrey, the only candidate, the state's 26 Democratic votes and make them available to President Truman if he runs.

Supporters of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower were reported divided in their reaction to the court's ruling that a slate for the General couldn't run. Some wanted to contest Stassen. Others wanted to avoid a fight with him in a state where he formerly was governor.

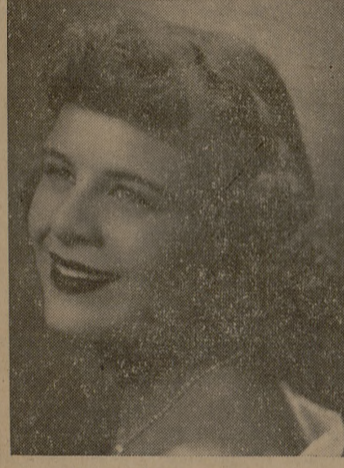
Left in the Republican race against Stassen in Minnesota was a slate pledged to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who says he is not running.

## Board Meets Here Today

The A&M System Board of Directors meets here today and Saturday. The group's discussions will consist mainly of campus construction items, said R. Henderson Shuffler, system director of information and publications.

A&M System Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist is slated to make a report on construction plans for the A&M System, Shuffler said.

The meetings will be held at the Board Rooms near the North Gate Post Office.



Miss Sharon Hughes

## McNaughton Says Truman Won't Run

By WAYNE DEAN  
Battalion Staff Writer

President Truman will not run for re-election, said Frank McNaughton, Capital correspondent for Time, last night as he spoke to an audience that filled the MSC Assembly Room.

"I don't think that Truman will run because the necessary preparations for a successful campaign have not been made," McNaughton said.

McNaughton, who joined the Washington Bureau of Time in 1941 after a long stint as Capitol Hill reporter for The United Press, was sponsored by the Journalism Club as he spoke on the topic,

"Covering Washington for Time". He is the author of two books about the nation's chief executive, "This Man Truman" and "Harry Truman, President".

#### Urged Not to Run

"Mr. Truman has been urged by the leaders of the 1948 Democratic Convention not to run. He has been told that he can't possibly win, and even if he were elected, that there would be a sharp conflict in the Democratic party," McNaughton continued.

Eisenhower, McNaughton believes, will not receive the Republican nomination, but instead, the party's choice will be Senator Robert Taft of Ohio. But, he continued, Eisenhower as a candidate would "sweep the nation".

Taft, he went on to say, can't win the national election, for he has opposed too many current popular proposals, as well as having lost organized labor.

#### Significance of Election

According to McNaughton, "The significance of the coming election is the importance of the government to rid from the American people a feeling of frustration and to maintain a two party system."

McNaughton, a staunch supporter of the newspaper, believes the public has two means of protection, Congressional investigation, such as seen lately, and a free press. "When the press is free and the people can read the news, then all is safe," he continued.

"Time's first consideration is to protect the public interest to the best of their knowledge," McNaughton pledged in conclusion.

## Unmarried Males Celebrate Victories Over Fairer Sex

By JERRY BENNETT  
Battalion Staff Writer

Today is the day when those valiant crusaders for the preservation of man's personal liberties celebrate their annual defeat of their principle enemy—marriage.

Feb. 29, National Bachelor's Day, is the time when all unmarried males point with pride to this accomplishment.

Possessing an amazing amount of unlimited fortitude, these individuals continually repulse all tactics employed by marriage's most uncompromising promoter, commonly known as the woman. From year to year they dodge the attacks of this possessive foe until laid to rest in their desired state of bachelorhood or brought under submission by the overwhelming odds.

#### Comforting Pocketbook Weight

One of the bachelor's principal reasons for never visiting the local jewelry store is to retain his beloved freedom and the comforting weight of his pocketbook. Col. Charles R. Stapp, head of sophomore Air Science, explained this first point. "When you are single, you never have to ask when or where you can go," W. H. Roth-

rock of the Modern Languages Department, agreed by saying, "You can just lock up and take off when you feel like it."

Colonel Stapp added although being a bachelor never bothers him, he sometimes wonders what life would be like on the other side of the fence.

#### Some Profit Otherwise

As to the natural pecuniary possessiveness of the male animal, some bachelors with a good business sense can hold their original funds and even profit by surrendering to marriage. "It would be nice to get married if you could find a woman with a lot of fence posts around her land", were the words of Joe P. Hollingsworth, of the agricultural engineering department. He said he hoped to get married in the future. "It's one thing to be asked 'Why don't you?', but it's another when you are asked 'Why didn't you?', Hollingsworth added.

Although many bachelors are fanatically sincere in their respective philosophies concerning the unmarried state of life, others react in ways that could be detrimental to the firm beliefs of this populous fraternity. D. E. New-

some of the journalism department put it this way.

"I reserve the right to change my state of bachelorhood any time I feel like it. Women are fine folks and there should be more of them around here!"

A few are biding their time until they can desert the brotherhood and join the side of the enemy. "I am going to marry as soon as I get out of Texas and not before", said George Rudisill of the History Department. He added if he married a Texas girl, he might have to remain in Texas.

The personification of the contented bachelor is Joe Arnett, assistant manager of student publications who said, "I've been a bachelor since I was born and I like it."

## Complete Facilities Designed

### PE Building Planned

By FRANK MANITZAS  
Battalion Staff Writer

Additional room for the physical education department may well be on its way with plans almost complete to begin construction on a new Physical Education Building.

Funds for the much needed structure were allotted from the college building fund by the A&M System Board of Directors last year.

#### Facilities Included

In the main plant of the building will be 10 large activity rooms, 18 offices, a conference room, supply and storage rooms, offices for ticket sales and an arena which will include a movable stage and basketball courts.

Temporary and permanent bleachers will be placed around a 102 by 140 foot hardwood floor. Two practice basketball courts will be included (running crossways) while a regular court is formed when the bleachers are in use.

On the first floor of the building, along with the main arena structure, will be five physical ed-

ucation activity classrooms, dressing rooms, and the ticket selling offices.

The building will include the physical education department's office space and conference room, five additional classrooms, and the permanent bleachers which will seat 6,400 people.

Plans are tentatively being made that DeWare Field House be converted into a three floor training center. One floor will be used as a large dressing room with the remaining two floors for more classrooms.

Construction will begin with the expected allocation of steel from the National Production Authority.

With the completion of the building, classes now being held out of doors, because of lack of space within present departmental facilities, can be conducted under better conditions.

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## MS Unit Selection Method Revised

The Military Science Department has announced a slightly revised method whereby first year basic MS students enrolled in Army ROTC will select their course for next year.

Students will be divided into two groups based on academic work done at A&M during the first two semesters of the basic course

(one semester for mid-year students).

The dividing line for establishing these two groups will be a 1.0 grade point ratio. In other words, all students with a 1.0 or better grade point ratio will be put into one group and all others in the second group.

Students in each of these groups will be divided between the arms and services in accordance with their designated percentages.

Each arm or service will receive part of their quota from one group and part from the other. This procedure will give a wider spread of students with high grade point ratios throughout the various branches.

#### Indicate Choice

At a time to be announced, all basic students will be given a chance to indicate their choices of arm or service in order of preference.

As far as possible, students will be given their first choice. However, in order to meet the prescribed officer procurement objectives, final designation will be based on academic attainments.

The percentage quotas for the various arms and services are as follows: Anti-Aircraft Artillery 6.5; Armor 16.0; Army Security (See CORPS., Page 2)

#### Weather Today



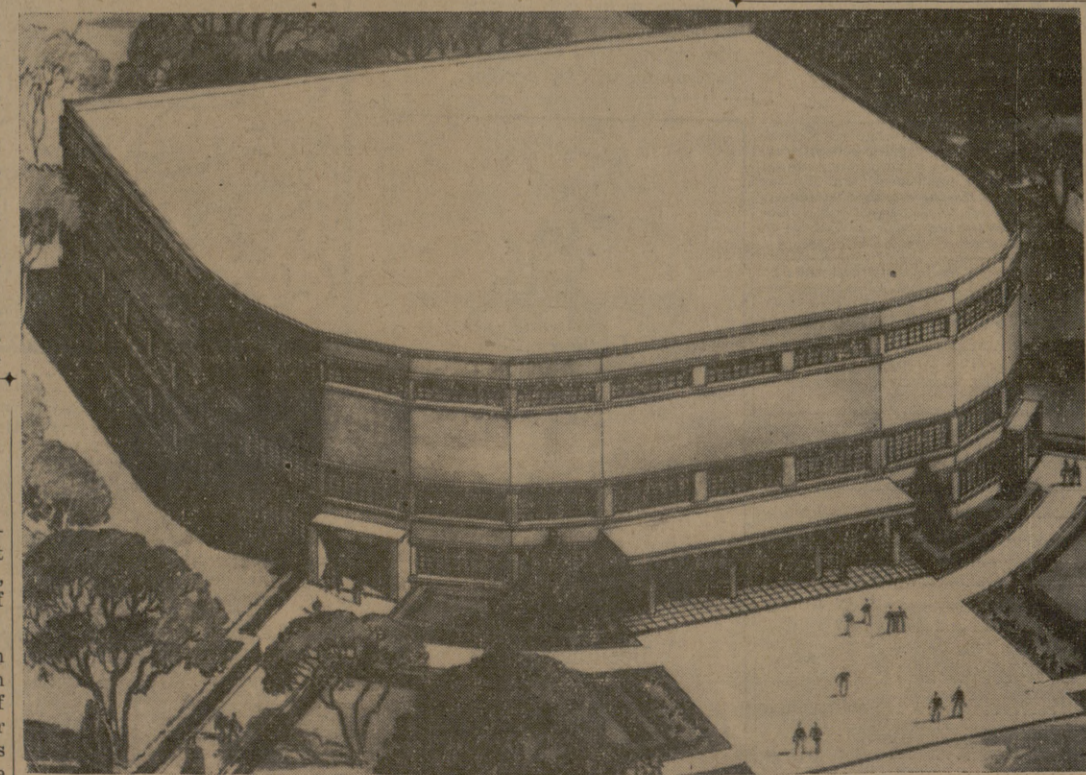
#### WINDY

WEATHER TODAY: Partly cloudy and windy. The high yesterday was 77 degrees and the low was 56 degrees last night.

## NBC to Salute A&M President

The National Broadcasting System will salute A&M President M. T. Harrington on its weekly, nation-wide show, "The Halls of Ivy," on March 5 at 7 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Coleman are the stars on the show, and each week they salute the president of a college or university on their show. President Harrington has been chosen for this honor on the March 5 program.



A&M's Proposed New Physical Education Building

## Rue Pinalle Set Tonight in MSC

Cafe Rue Pinalle, the MSC version of a typical French leftbank nightclub, will offer all types of music from Puccini to Porter to its patrons attending tonight's floorshow.

Morris Chotlin, a graduate of Washington University and now director of special services at the Bryan Air Force Base, will sing several solos including "Night and Day". Chotlin has sung previously in light and grand operas in both St. Louis and Chicago.

Guest pianist will be Miss Martha Montgomery, a junior at Stephen F. Austin High School in Bryan. Miss Montgomery has topped three first place awards at the yearly talent show of her school in as many years.

Another Bryan high school product, Miss Camille Walton, will sing the "Blues" at tonight's show. Miss Walton has appeared also in the school's talent show and was last week a member of the Bryan Lion's Club Minstrel Show cast.