

Board Asks Bond Issue

Double Sessions Needed At Consolidated in 1954

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One or more grades at A&M Consolidated school must be on double session next year in order to have classroom space for all students, said Superintendent of Schools Les Richardson.

Working on the same project, the school Board of Trustees today voted unanimously to call a \$650,000 bond issue election for funds to build a new school.

After presentation of the legally required petition at the meeting, the board authorized secretary Ernest J. Redman Jr. to post notices calling the election for Jan. 20, from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m. in the Consolidated music room.

The double session for one or more of the grades is necessary because Consolidated will have more students next September than the present facilities can take care of, Richardson said.

In the double session method of utilizing classrooms, one half of a grade will go to school in the morning and the other half will go in the afternoon, with the same teacher teaching both halves.

Tires Teachers

"Besides wearing out the teacher, the afternoon session is bad because it has been proven that the best learning hours are in the morning," Richardson said.

It is not yet certain which grade will be put on the double session. W. T. Reidel, junior high principal, said that he favors putting 8 first graders on double session rather than the upper elementary grades, because the upper grades have a more diversified program.

Since the students would go to school only four hours a day, some part of the curriculum would have to be omitted.

Mrs. Rowena Creswell, elementary school principal, said she doubted the wisdom of putting the first grade classes on double session.

The Guinea Pig

"We'll just have to decide which grade it will hurt the least," Richardson said.

The increase in enrollment is expected to be so severe that the school board has decided on the bond issue to get funds to build a new high school. An architects survey has indicated that Consolidated will have over 1400 students within eight years, compared to 861 enrolled now.

The school board also plans to raise school taxes to get funds to issue the bonds, if they are passed. Every resident on the school tax rolls will be allowed to vote in the election.

Kiwanis Hear Talk On Future Program

C. G. (Spike) White, director of student activities, spoke to the Kiwanis Club yesterday on "Future Entertainment Programs." He emphasized the fact that his office would bring cultural programs to College Station if the city proved it could support such a plan.

The A&M Consolidated basketball team was guest of the club at the luncheon, in the MSC.

Next week, Les Richardson, Consolidated superintendent, will speak on the finance program for the proposed school buildings.

Weather Today



CLOUDY

WEATHER TODAY: Cloudy with the possibility of clearance late in the afternoon. The wind velocity will be 15 to 30 miles per hour out of the southwest. The low this morning was 64 and the high is expected to be in the middle 70's.



HOUSTON SYMPHONY—Emfrem Kurtz will conduct the orchestra at Town Hall tonight in a program featuring ballet music from the "William Tell Overture" and other selections.

Mayeaux Named Most Talented Ag

Pete Mayeaux, junior premedical major from New Orleans, was named winner of the Aggie Talent Contest. The contest was sponsored by the college and was open to all students.

Mayeaux, a vocalist, will represent A&M in an intercollegiate talent contest at Sam Houston State Teachers College later this month. Most of the colleges in the state will be represented at the contest.

Alternate and second-place winner in the contest was a band composed of students from Mexico City.

NTSC Musicians Sing Here Monday

Six North Texas State College music students and two members of the school's music faculty will give a "Candlelight Serenade" here Jan. 12.

Student musicians will include Dale Peters, pianist; Susan Houser, soprano; Helen Marshall, alto; Bill Chandler, tenor; Vernon Moody, bass, and Pat Wentworth, harpist.

Dr. Walter H. Hodgson, dean of the NTSC School of Music, will serve as master of ceremonies and commentator. Russell Miller of the music faculty will be violinist for the group.

Performers will open each program with a group of Elizabethan numbers. Operatic arias and concert works for violin and harp will be played for the second part of the program.

The concert will close with a performance of Gian-Carlo Menotti's one act opera, "The Telephone."

Band Members Get Reveille's Pups

Reveille II, A&M mascot, is all alone again. Her ten pups who received much publicity in early December are enjoying first-class living quarters in homes of Aggie band members.

Shortly after the pups were born, band members received as many as 60 requests from local residents wishing to adopt the young canines.

The band members decided to give one of the mascot's offspring to each of the first ten persons who turned in a request.

Reveille II has again taken up residence in the band dorm and from all reports is now doing fine just being the Aggie mascot.

District Rotary Meets In MSC January 11-12

The 190th Rotary District of Texas will hold its Jan. 11-12 convention sessions in the MSC.

The Bryan Rotary is host club for the convention. W. E. Street, head of the engineering drawing department is conference chairman.

Bridge Tournament Tryouts Set Thursday

First tryouts for the 1953 National Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday in the MSC Social Room.

This year's contest will give recognition to campus and regional winners as well as to national champions. Only undergraduates are eligible to play in this duplicate contract bridge event.

Under the 1953 plan, all play will be by mail. All entrants will compete in a single session on a date fixed by the tournament director, between Feb. 19 and 21. To be eligible for the awards, a campus game must include at least 16 players.

The college winning the national titles will be awarded cups. One cup will be awarded to the college with the pair scoring highest on East-West hands and another to the college with the North-South hand winners.

AF Ball Heads Spring Dance List

The office of Student Activities has announced Spring dances and banquets:

Feb. 14—Air Force Ball in Sbis. Feb. 28—Junior Prom and Banquet in Sbis.

March 6—Fish Ball in Sbis. March 7—Third Division Ball in Sbis.

March 21—Newman Club Convention and Dance in MSC.

March 27—First Regimental (Combat) Ball in Sbis.

March 28—Military Ball in Sbis.

April 11—Ross Volunteer's Dance in MSC.

April 12—Sophomore Ball in Sbis.

April 18—FFA Dance in MSC.

April 24—Cotton Ball in the Grove.

April 25—Hillel Club Dance in MSC, Cattleman's Ball in MSC, Singing Cadet's Banquet.

May 2—Engineer's Ball in MSC.

May 9—All College Dance at the Grove.

May 15—Press Club Banquet and Dance.

May 16—Ring Dance at Grove.

May 29—Final Ball.

Pastor Bruised As Car Overtakes

The Rev. Nolan Vance of the A&M Methodist Church received only slight bruises when his car over-turned in a collision with a truck Monday.

His wife and five-year-old daughter Margaret Ann also were bruised. The accident occurred on the highway between Caldwell and Dime Box. Rev. Vance said he was attempting to pass a truck when the truck made a left turn directly in front of him. Both the truck and the car turned over, with the car landing on its wheels.

Truman Asks Russia To Stop Cold War

Epidemic Causes High Polio Goal

By CHUCK NEIGHBORS
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The worst polio epidemic in the nation's history is the reason for the \$25,000 goal set in the Brazos County March of Dimes campaign, said Jack T. Kent, chairman of the Brazos County March of Dimes drive.

Half of the money collected in Brazos County will go to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for research and development on polio.

One encouraging thing did develop out of the tragic 1952 epidemic, said Kent, it was the successful use of the blood serum, gamma globulin in the treatment of polio.

The drug has been tested in Houston (Harris County), Utah, and in Iowa.

In every instance, the patients treated with the new drug did not have as serious a case of the disease and respond more rapidly to therapy.

Globulin Eases Paralysis

Paralysis was not as severe in cases where gamma globulin was used. The stiffening and hardening of the muscles occurs only in the treacherous bulbar type of polio which attacks the spine of the patient.

Gamma globulin, developed through the efforts of the national foundation, is now available to doctors everywhere in the United States and should prove to be a powerful preventive factor when the "polio season" strikes the country this summer.

26 Cases in Brazos County

There were 26 cases of polio in Brazos County alone last year. Of these cases, the national foundation (supported solely by March of Dimes funds) aided 13 with iron lungs, nurses, physical therapists, and hospital beds.

"To help these people, the March of Dimes needs your help," said Kent, "it takes \$1500 for a private family to purchase an iron lung, \$15 for a therapist for one day, \$14 for a hospital bed for one day, and \$150 for a wheel chair."

Kent should be well-qualified to make this statement as his 12-year old daughter is a polio victim. She contracted the disease in 1950.

"Our goal," he said, "is to make every person in Brazos County aware of polio—the problems inherent in the fight against polio, and to get enough contributions to insure that no victim of polio in 1953 need go without adequate care for lack of funds."

Final Examination Schedule Posted

The office of the dean of the college has announced the final examination schedule for the fall semester.

Finals will begin Monday, Jan. 19 and will end at 4 p. m. Friday, Jan. 23 with a weeks vacation.

The week of Jan. 12 will be a "dead week" announced David H. Morgan, dean of the college. No major examinations are authorized during this period.

The finals schedule is as follows:

Monday, Jan. 19
8-11 a. m. classes meeting MWFS
1-4 p. m. classes meeting TThSS

Tuesday, Jan. 20
8-11 a. m. classes meeting MWF9
1-4 p. m. classes meeting TThS9

Wednesday, Jan. 21
8-11 a. m. classes meeting MWF10
1-4 p. m. classes meeting TThS10

Thursday, Jan. 22
8-11 a. m. classes meeting MWF11
1-4 p. m. classes meeting TThS11

Friday, Jan. 23
8-11 a. m. classes meeting MWF1
1-4 p. m. classes meeting MWF2

Club Pics Deadline Set by Aggieland

February 15 has been set as the reservations deadline for club picture space for the '53 Aggieland, according to Harvey Miller and Guy DeLaney, co-editors. Clubs desiring to have pictures made before the end of the fall semester should make reservations prior to Jan. 11.

A deposit of \$20 must be made at the time of the reservation. Total cost for space is \$35 for a half-page and \$55 for a full page.

Pictures will be taken in front of the New Administration Building from 12 noon until 1 p. m. and from 5 p. m. to 6 p. m. on the days allotted.

Pictures may be taken at regular club meetings, but an outside picture is preferred.

Reservations should be made with Mrs. Patranello in the Office of Student Activities. The type of dress is left up to the individual clubs.

President Urges U. S. to Help Ike

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7—(AP)—President Truman coupled a "Godspeed" to Dwight D. Eisenhower today with a word of hope that growing Western strength may force soviet rulers to "become more realistic and less implacable, and recede from the cold war they began."

If the effort fails, he said, the resulting atomic war would be one in which man "could extinguish millions of lives at one blow."

In his final State of the Union message to Congress, Truman warned Soviet Premier Stalin that if such a war comes between East and West it can bring only "ruin for your regime and its homeland."

As he gravely told those at home: "War today between the Soviet empire and the free nations might dig the grave not only of our Stalinist opponents, but of our own society, our world as well as theirs."

West Might Grow

He drew a picture of swelling might in the West and said that as it continues, "then inevitably there will come a time of change within the Communist world." Saying he did not know how such a change will come about, he continued:

"But if the Communist rulers understand they cannot win by war, and if we frustrate their attempts to win by subversion, it is not too much to expect their world to change its character, moderate its aims, become more realistic and less implacable, and recede from the cold war they began."

The President said the recent atomic tests at Eniwetok made it clear that from now on "man moves into a new era of destructive power, capable of creating explosions of a new order of magnitude, dwarfing the mushroom clouds of Hiroshima and Nagasaki."

He spoke of "thermonuclear tests," employing the scientists' language for the hydrogen bomb.

Pledges Support to Ike

Truman pledged his backing for his Republican successor, against whom he stumped the country in last fall's bitter election campaign. He concluded his 10,000-worded message with this reference to Eisenhower:

"To him, to you, to all my fellow citizens, I say, Godspeed.

"May God bless our country and our cause."

The President's farewell to Congress, before whom he previously has delivered such messages in person, was left for the reading of others. Truman plans a similar message to the nation in a broadcast Jan. 15. The one to Congress today was of almost unprecedented gravity.

The President submitted no legislative recommendations, saying he would not infringe upon Eisenhower's right to chart the country's course after his inauguration Jan. 20. He reviewed the progress of his "Fair Deal" and said it has served the nation well.

Confident of Future

Truman spoke confidently of the future. While the nation has its resources, its industry, its skills, its vigor and its democratic faith, he said, "the ultimate advantage" in the struggle with the Soviet "lies with us, not with the Communists."

"But there are some things that could shift the advantage to their side," he said. "One of the things that could defeat us is fear—fear of the task we face, fear of adjusting to it, fear that breeds more fear, sapping our faith, corroding our liberties, turning citizen against citizen, ally against ally."

Phi Kappa Phi Call Membership Meet

Professor L. P. Gabbard, president of local chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, senior honor society, has called a meeting for 4 p. m., Thursday, in room 125 of the Academic Building.

Purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the Committee on membership concerning students eligible at this time, and to elect new members.

Phi Kappa Phi is the only college-wide honor society and is open to students in the upper ten percent of their class, having a grade point ratio of 2.25 or better, and within a year of graduation.

Students Return Without Accidents

The dean of men's office reported no accidents for the holiday period just ended.

Although there was a general increase in traffic accidents over the nation during the 1952-53 holiday seasons, Aggies apparently heeded the safety precautions given before Christmas.

Over the holidays last year, two students died in traffic mishaps,