

## Korea Vital to US Defense Says King

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Losing Korea to the Communists would give the Soviet Union a stepping stone to the United States, said O. H. P. King, Associated Press writer, here last night.

"If Korea falls," King said, "jets from Pusan can nullify United States units in Japan and from there the Communists could advance to Alaska and through Canada to the U. S."

King, who was the only AP newsman "on the spot" at the outbreak of the Korean War, spoke before groups in both Guion Hall and in the MSC Assembly Room. Both talks were sponsored by the Student Activities Office. He now is with the AP Bureau in Dallas.

Emphasizing the importance of Europe, King also said that the "Communists started action first in China and the United Nations must keep a vigilance and never ending fight against the Communist scourge to bring peace and dignity to the world.

### Understanding Needed

"We must be world conscious. Only through understanding other nations and showing a willingness to help them can the United States keep Communism at low tide. To lose Korea also would hurt the U. S. prestige. I'm thankful," said King, "that we have a military man in the White House for the coming years. Perhaps the new President's change in tactics will alter the path of the Korean War. "The U. N. should place the Korean troops to defend their own country, but continue to maintain a fire station in the Far East so that further uprisings can be met with efficient force," King declared.

The world-traveled correspondent said he would have supported Gen. MacArthur in the bombing of Manchuria. "Although bombing Manchuria would have helped when MacArthur was in command, at the present time, the United Nations are not capable of enter-

ing an all out war in the Far East. MacArthur's slogan in 1950 about the soldiers being home by Christmas hurt the U. N. troops more than it helped them. This action stirred the Communists which started the Chinese offensive.

### Koreans Want Unification

"The unification of Korea is the goal of all the Koreans. Both the North and South Koreans would follow either the Communists or the United Nations, whoever would unite the country," he said.

"The morale of the troops was low at the start of the war but improved as it progressed. As the U. N. troops moved forward, the morale steadily improved, but when the stalemate and truce talks began, the men again became sullen. Now the majority of the men wait out the days, for their rotation points, preparing for the day when they can return home."

King said that the enemy was not mistreating the U. N. prisoners of war but was subjecting them to Communist propaganda. He also said that use of the atomic bomb in Korea would be ineffective because of the hilly terrain.

## Dr. R. E. Goodrich Named RE Speaker

By IDE TROTTER  
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Dr. Robert E. Goodrich, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Dallas, will be the principal speaker for Religious Emphasis Week, Feb. 15-20, J. Gordon Gay, YMCA Secretary, announced today.

A broad background of experience in many fields and prior close work with college students should enable him to bring an inspiring week of services which will be on the students' level, Gay said.

### Student Problems

Dr. Goodrich came in close contact with college students and their problems while serving in the New Mexico Conference of the Methodist Church. As a member of the Board of Education there he directed the organization of Methodist Student Work on ten college and university campuses.

The son of a distinguished Methodist minister, Dr. Goodrich attended high school in Waco, and Shreveport, La.

In Centenary College he was a member of the football team which made the "Centenary Gentlemen" famous throughout the college sports world. Dr. Goodrich entered the retail

## Just Sleep Quizzes Finished; Aggie Eyes Sack

Students can start catching up on lost sleep next week.

After a deadweek filled with last minute major quizzes, term themes, and frequent last ditch stands in profs' offices, many Aggies welcome final week as a time to become reacquainted with the most neglected piece of furniture in their rooms—the bed.

Since C.Q. and classes are abolished during this time, students are not required to follow any strict schedule. Many feel this week offers more free time than any other. When not trying to condense a semester's work on three sheets of paper or willingly imprisoning themselves between two clean sheets, they are able to do things which so far time has not allowed.

### Because of Finals

Beginning tomorrow, theater owners will start popping extra popcorn, bowling alleys will get twice as many dents in their paneled floors; Mickey Spillane sales will increase as tired students begin enjoying a short period of lib-

erty from military and faculty inspired routine. Although enjoyed by more people than any other time of the year, this type of relaxation is usually in the minority. Most Aggies will just sleep, and sleep, and sleep.

With the exception of freshmen, who will have caught on by next semester, very few students will do any studying.

### Profs Watched

After a week of major quizzes preceding finals, many feel they have had a strong enough review. Some believe final examinations are the easiest quizzes of the year. Others have been discouraged from studying upon noticing the extra large waste baskets some profs keep in their offices during the semester's last week.

Others feel it's just too late. Lights will burn in a few dormitory rooms but the number probably will be small. After all, psychologists warn against studying late for a final. Past semesters have proved college students don't take modern psychology lightly.

## Board Pledges Public Hearing

### Alternate Bond Issue Suggested

An alternate school bond issue has been suggested by a group of College Station citizens who are dissatisfied with the school board's \$650,000 proposal.

Speaking for the group, Robert L. Hunt, 300 Montclair, outlined a \$200,000 plan that he says would take care of the school's immediate need.

The plan calls for the building of a 10-room elementary school in College Hills. He estimates the cost of this at \$120,000, leaving \$80,000 for land, equipment, and repairs of the present school.

He believes that this plan would take care of the immediate need of the school without causing a serious increase in taxes.

Les Richardson, Consolidated superintendent, has said that the need for new facilities will be acute within two years. Since it would take approximately a year to build an elementary school, and two years to build a high school, he says the building must start immediately.

Hunt's plan has no official status. It has been suggested as an alternate if the \$650,000 bond issue is not passed at the election Tuesday.

Hunt and the people he represents have emphasized that they are not against new and better school facilities. They are questioning the expense involved.

### School Tax Raise Futher Explained

A&M Consolidated School board of trustees today pledged to get the public's opinion before any tax or evaluation raise would be effected, in a release restating their \$650,000 school bond proposal.

The statement was made "in the light of questions raised by individuals and groups at community meetings."

Their statement said: "The board has been assured that in increasing evaluations by three times and halving the tax rate, it is on safe financial ground so far as the bond market is concerned and that such a plan would result in savings to the local taxpayers."

However, the board is agreed that the wishes of the patrons should govern the final action taken and that the patrons should have some method of expressing those wishes.

The board said that before any taxes or evaluations were raised they would hold a public hearing and mail a questionnaire to each qualified voter in the school district.

### Not Effect Gilmer-Aiken

According to the board, the plan of financing would not affect the amount of money the school receives under the Gilmer-Aiken law.

The amount of funds received are based on the economic index which is not affected by assessed evaluations within the school district. Funds are distributed on the basis of the county evaluations.

The election to authorize the sale of the bonds will be from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. next Tuesday in Consolidated's music room. The school board plans to use the funds to build an elementary school in College Hills and a new high school.

Many questions have been raised by citizens about the 50 per cent increase in taxes that the school board says will be necessary to pay for the bond issue.

The school board also announced that funds received from the bond issue would not be left idle during the planning and construction but would be invested in short time government securities.

### Hearing Soon After Election

The board's statement on taxes was worded as follows:

"1) Soon after the election a public hearing will be held at which all interested citizens can express their views and recommend to the board a method of assessing and adjusting the tax rate to bring about the required increase in revenue.

"2) A questionnaire, centering on this problem, will be mailed to each qualified voter in the school district.

"3) After summarizing the information thus obtained the board will take final action."

## Grads Have Opportunity In AF Meteorology

College graduates will have an opportunity to specialize in the field of meteorology as Air Force commissioned officers, said Capt. C. A. Pelton of Kelly Air Force Base, here today and tomorrow conducting interviews.

Capt. Pelton, who is with the AF air weather service, said he will be in the Cabinet Room of the YMCA throughout Saturday morning to talk with interested students.

A 12-month course in meteorology at UCLA, University of Chicago, MIT, University of Florida, New York University, and several other institutions will begin in June or September, Capt. Pelton said.

"Successful applicants will be commissioned as second lieutenants in the Air Force Reserve and will be placed on active duty before undertaking this training," he said. "Pay and allowances will amount to \$350 a month."

After completion of the course, said Capt. Pelton, graduates will serve on active duty as weather officers. The main requirements are a college degree, under 27 years of age, mathematics knowledge through calculus, one year of college physics, an average grade of C in mathematics and physics, he added.

### Army Graduates to Get Oath of Office Jan. 23

Ground force graduates will take the oath of office and receive their appointments Jan. 23 at 9 a. m. in the YMCA lounge, said Col. Shelly P. Meyers, PMS&T.

## FSA Agents, Officers To Meet Here Saturday

The Battalion, will speak on the student publications program. The talks by students will be followed by a discussion of club matters, club activities and class business.

J. B. (Dick) Hervey, executive secretary of the association, said a discussion will also be conducted on plans for all A&M clubs to send representatives to College Station on or about March 30 to speak to the student home town clubs.

### Welcome by Harrington

Dr. M. T. Harrington, president of the college, will make opening remarks at the Sunday morning meeting. Coaches of all sports at A&M will be introduced, followed by a discussion of the 1953 Opportunity Award Scholarship Program by E. E. McQuillan.

C. G. Albert '29, chairman of the A&M Club Program Committee of the Association, will preside at the meeting.

Following the breakfast will be a meeting of the Aggie Club, a group which helps provide athletic scholarships for A&M students. Officers will be elected after a brief business meeting. C. L. Babcock '20 of Beaumont is retiring president. Homer Adams '45 of College Station is secretary.

## Aggie Band, RVs March in Inaugural

The Aggie Band will lead the inaugural parade of the governor of Texas, Allan Shivers, Tuesday, Jan. 20.

The entire band will make the trip by bus, despite it being final week. The Academic Council excused these students from finals the day for the event. Finals for that day will have to be taken at a different date, according to the council.

The Ross Volunteers is the other A&M organization making the trip.

## Plans On Ambulance Reported to Senate

A&M's acute need for an ambulance will be solved in the near future Prince Vickers reported to the student senate last night.

Speaking for the senate hospital committee, Vickers said that bids have been taken for a Chevrolet panel truck which is to be converted to an ambulance.

There need be no repetition of the incident this fall in which a student who had been injured by a fall into a steam tunnel was de-

layed in getting to the hospital because the old ambulance would not start.

The ambulance which is to also serve as a utility vehicle for the hospital will be equipped with all necessary emergency and first aid equipment Vickers pointed out.

The Senate selected five delegates to represent A&M at the Seventh Annual Texas Intercollegiate Students Association Convention. Bob Travis, president, Sam Harper, Haskell Simon, Monty Montgomery, and Jerry Ramsey were chosen to attend the convention which will be held on the Rice University campus March 19-22.

### A&M Representatives

Gene Steed, Don Young, Frank Ford, Roy Don Hickman, and Dusty Cannon, members of the student senate TISA committee will also represent A&M at the convention. Prince Vickers, Ide Trotter, and Gene Kilgore were chosen as alternate delegates.

Sam Harper reported for the special traffic committee that new parking areas have been approved as recommended by the committee. He pointed out that the committee had not been able to obtain any change in the present traffic ticket system.

Plans for the Aggie muster were turned over to the welcoming committee of the senate.

Haskell, Simon and Danney Howell were appointed to investigate facilities and funds for taking care of Reveille, the college mascot, during future holidays.

### Opinions Offered

## Voters Question School Tax Issue

By JON KINSLOW  
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"Our schools are inadequate, and if we want the city to progress, then it is necessary that the proposed bond issue pass," said Mrs. Armstrong Price, 909 Park Place, in reference to the coming \$650,000 school bond election Tuesday.

D. B. Cofer, 110 Pershing, who has had three children go through school in College Station, said he felt that a better analysis should be made of the needs of the school.

### No Suggestions

When asked if he had any suggestions on how to make a better analysis, Cofer said, "I don't know anything about how the analysis is made."

In a meeting Wednesday he said that by passing the bond issue we would be discouraging people from moving to College Station, because of tax increases.

A resident with one child in elementary school and one of preschool age, J. Wayne Stark, 313 Lee St., said he feels that the school board has made an adequate study and therefore the proposal is a good one.

### 'Adequate Schools'

"If we want a successful community and one in which people will want to live, our schools must be adequate," Stark said. "Indications for the future enrollment show that the schools will not be adequate."

"I would like to see the school expand, but I don't know whether or not we can afford it," said Mrs. A. D. Folweiler, 1028 Walton.

H. W. Barlow, 802 Hereford, said he was in favor of the proposed bond issue.

"I have seen schools grow without adequate surveys and plans, and as a result we have had buildings that were not adequate when they were built," he said.

A different plan, set forth by Joe Orr, 400 W. Dexter, would call for the building of a new ele-



Dr. Robert E. Goodrich  
"Centenary Gentleman"

radio business after his junior year in college. After two years in business he became program director and business manager of radio station WTBS in Shreveport.

One year later he resigned to enter Birmingham-Southern University in Birmingham, Ala. and prepare for the ministry.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts Degree in the summer of 1932, Dr. Goodrich entered the theological school of Southern Methodist University where he continued his graduate work until 1935.

In 1933 he became director of the famous SMU Mustang Band, and further developed the trend in popular music for college bands which had been instituted by his predecessor, V. Cyrus Barcus.

As director of the band, Dr. Goodrich instituted the "Pigskin Review," an annual band show on the campus, and led a thirteen week summer tour of theaters in the major cities of the East and West, under the sponsorship of the National Broadcasting Company.

His early experience in the radio field has served him well in the ministry. In Houston he produced the first professional Methodist program, which was broadcast over a Texas network for 39 years.

### Entered TV Field

Dr. Goodrich entered the field of television in Dallas in 1950 with a weekly dramatic show, "The Pastors Calls," on KRLL-TV. This was soon recognized over the nation as one of the first attempts to use television in the presentation of the gospel.

The Wesley Methodist Church in Port Arthur was Dr. Goodrich's first appointment after he completed his studies in 1935. From there he went to Galena Park in 1937.

Dr. Goodrich organized the Riverside Memorial Methodist Church in Houston in 1939 and was then appointed to the Trinity Methodist Church in El Paso.

He was appointed to the First Methodist Church in Dallas, of which he is now pastor, in 1946.

In 1939 Dr. Goodrich married Miss Thelma Quillian of Houston. They have four children, daughters Thelma Jean and Lucy and sons Robert E. and Paul Quillian.

He received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Centenary College in 1948.

## Beds Available As Flu Decreases

One floor of adequate bedding space is available in the College Hospital to care for influenza cases, said Mrs. Irene Claghorn, supervisor of the hospital.

The number of influenza cases is decreasing, she said. Fifteen patients were released from the hospital yesterday. Number of persons still hospitalized at that time totaled 77, she said.

College Station cases totaled 148 last week, with the College Hospital having 36. Bryan Hospital had 258 cases last week.

### Weather Today



### ICY-COLDER

WEATHER TODAY: Light sleet and freezing rains with winds out of the north-northwest at 22-25 miles per hour. The low this morning was 28 and the minimum tonight will be lower.