



CAUGHT IN CROSSWALK—This picture of a little boy caught in the parade of A&M cadets at the Dallas Corps Trip was awarded first place in the features class for cities over 50,000 population in the annual photo contest of the Texas Associated Press Managing Editors Association. Commander of A Ordnance, Arno Becker, is guiding the lad back to his mother. The picture was made by Norm Bergsma of The Dallas Morning News.

RVs Will March During Mardi Gras

Marching down Canal St., the worlds widest and most brilliantly lighted thoroughfare, 108 Ross Volunteers will participate in the Rex Parade Feb. 17 on Mardi Gras day.

Joe C. Wallace, R. V. commander, said the parade last year lasted from 11 a. m. to 4 p. m., with only short periods of rest. The unit will leave Saturday.

The average Mardi Gras parade costs from \$29,000 to \$30,000.

During the parade the R. V.'s will add to the entertainment of more than a half million people who come to see and participate in the "Greatest free show on earth."

All Expenses

All expenses of the festivities are paid by carnival organizations. No public subscriptions are asked, to benefit performances are given, and no tickets or advertising are sold.

The Mardi Gras season, which always ends the day before Ash Wednesday, features good will toward everyone. Camp Leroy Johnson, on the outskirts of New Orleans, has offered to furnish housing for the R. V.'s for 25 cents a cadet per night. Breakfast will be served there for 30 cents and dinner and supper for 45 cents each.

Mardi Gras day serves as the climax to a number of fabulous carnival balls, each of which is a tableau relating some event in history or mythology. Carnival balls are given by private organizations and admittance to them is by invitation only.

Aggie Talent Show Set for Tonight

The Aggie Talent Show will be tonight at 8 in the MSC Assembly Room featuring fourteen acts ranging from classic piano to hill-billy combo.

Judges will be Ray George, A&M football coach; Bob Boone, chest director from CHS; and Carl Best, choral director from Stephen F. Austin.

Weather Today



WIND and RAIN

WEATHER TODAY: Occasional light rain showers with the possibility of severe thundershowers and strong winds when a front will pass the College Station area about 6 p.m.

The R. V.'s have an invitation to the Rex Ball the night of Feb. 17. Over each ball reigns a king, queen, and their courts. As every other member of the organization giving the ball, the king and his dukes are masked. Their identity is never officially revealed.

The New Orleans A&M Club is of great help every year in making it possible for the R. V.'s to come to the Mardi Gras, Wallace said.

Monday night the club will give the R. V.'s a dinner at Arnaud's restaurant and will also contribute toward the housing and feeding of the A&M cadets at Camp Johnson.

Accompanying the R. V.'s will be Major H. O. Johnson, who will take care of the parade details and Maj. Charles C. Waddell, who will be in charge of billeting.

A&M Represented At TISA Meeting

Four delegates from the Student Senate represented A&M at the second Texas Intercollegiate Students Association (TISA) executive committee meeting at the University of Texas in Austin Feb. 7, said Bob Travis, Student Senate president.

Travis, Don Young, TISA parliamentarian, Frank Ford, and Gene Steed attended the all-day meeting held in the Texas Student Union Building.

Heard Reports

Purpose of the meeting was to hear committee reports on the special projects of each district of TISA this year and to make final plans for the annual State Convention to be held at Rice Institute Mar. 19-22, Travis said.

The agenda also included discussion on the report submitted by the TISA cultural and entertainment committee.

This committee has been working on a project of block bookings of entertainers throughout the colleges and universities of Texas, in order to secure a reduced price from the booking agencies.

Wiggins Was Chairman

Ken Wiggins of A&M was chairman of this committee last year and because of his and others' work this project may soon become a reality.

Smaller schools will have gained most from the system the committee has suggested, for they cannot afford to pay as much for a name band as can larger schools like A&M and UT.

If the program is taken seriously by all TISA member schools, A&M students will gain by having better Town Hall programs, noted speakers, and more name bands at a reduced price, Travis said.

Final arrangements for such a system will be worked out at the state convention, said Travis.

Student Senator Filing Ends Feb. 12

Filings to replace senators in the Student Senate will be received in the Office of Student Activities until 5 p. m., Feb. 12, W. D. "Pete" Hardesty, business manager of Student Activities, said today.

Vacancies exist for a senator from the junior class, Bizzell Hall, Law Hall, and Mitchell.

To qualify for filing, a student must be at least a classified sophomore, have a grade point ratio of not less than 1.0, must have attended A&M two previous regular semesters, and must live in the dorm or area he represents.

Hardesty said the election will be Friday, Feb. 13, at which time ballot boxes will be placed in the MSC from 8-5 p. m. for junior class voters. Ballot boxes will be in Bizzell, Law, and Mitchell from 8-5 p. m. for voters in those dorms.

Twenty-eight schools were represented last Saturday at the meeting in Austin.

Baylor University has called a district meeting in Waco Feb. 21. This meeting will be attended by the TISA committee from A&M so a District project can be selected and put into operation.

A&M will be represented by 10 delegates to the State Convention in March, Travis added.

Chest Drive Reaches Goal

The College Station Community Chest has made its \$11,019 goal, according to Bonnie Zinn, chairman.

The addition of money left over from last year brought the drive up to its goal, with \$27.40 left over.

"We're still expecting a little more money to come in all through the year," Zinn said.

The left over money is used in the local charity fund.

Checks were sent out Monday to all the organizations benefiting from the Chest. These organizations and the amount they received are as follows:

Brazos County Tuberculosis Association	\$1,000
Girl Scouts	2,000
Bryan YMCA	400
Salvation Army	500
College Station Youth Committee	800
Boy Scouts	2,294
Recreation Council	1,000
Needy Childrens Fund	700
Brazos County Hospital Fund	500
American Cancer Society	300
College Station YMCA	400
Local Chest Charity Fund	1,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	125

Five A&M Student Activities Face Ruin Without State Bill

By JOEL AUSTIN
Battalion Co-Editor

Several extra-curricular activities offered A&M students may be discontinued or drastically curtailed if a bill before the state legislature fails to gain approval.

The bill would allow state colleges and universities to collect a maximum compulsory student activity fee of \$15 each semester. A similar bill passed five years ago expired in October.

Students who registered this semester were allowed an option of paying the fee. Approximately 12 per cent did not pay or ask for a refund before the deadline Saturday, Feb. 7.

Already suffering from non-payment of these student activity fees are the athletic department, student publications, MSC, intramural athletics, and the college swimming pool.

These activities are supported by the fee and their income, if any, and will be in financial trouble unless payment of activity fees is required.

If the bill does not pass, intramural athletics may be eliminated; yearbook prices may be boosted several dollars; and The Battalion (now daily) may be forced to cut publication to bi-weekly next year. These are only a few of the results expected.

Introduced in the upper house by Sen. Searcy Bracewell of Houston and in the lower house by Rep. Charles Hancock of Nacogdoches, the bill is up for Senate hearing Feb. 23. There is an indication opposition to the measure may be presented at the hearing.

Similar legislative action was proposed just before the Senate adjourned last year, but was blocked by filibuster by Sen. Jimmy Phillips of Angleton.

Dr. M. T. Harrington, president of the college, will appear before the Senate committee at the hearing Feb. 23 along with representatives from other colleges and universities in Texas.

Immediate Enactment

The President indicated optimism about the bill's future in the legislature. It contains an emergency clause which calls for immediate enactment after receiving Gov. Shivers' signature.

Dr. Harrington said that should the bill pass, he can see no reason why the fee could not be collected from students who refused to pay or who received a refund. He suggested that a proportionate amount be computed and collected by the Fiscal Office for the length of the semester remaining after the measure is passed.

"We feel justified in asking legislative approval of this fee," said Dr. Harrington. "Our college would be criticized if it did not offer these extra-curricular activities. At the same time, people of the state would be critical if state funds were used to finance them," he added.

No Fee, No Yearbook

A check is now being conducted of all students to determine who has paid the activity fee. Students who did not pay will not be given a yearbook and can get no refund on the portion of first semester fees paid for it, said Restrict.

Directorate Openings Filled By MSC Group

The MSC Council approved nominations for vacancies in the Center organization at a meeting last night in the Senate Chamber.

Jim Baggeley was named chairman of the public relations committee, replacing Chuck Neighbors who was made vice-chairman in charge of newspaper publicity. Don Friend was assigned vice-chairman in charge of radio publicity.

Allen Brown was approved as president of the camera club. Joe Williams was accepted as chairman of the crafts committee, and Oscar Garcia was selected to head the dance committee.

The council officially received several gifts recently given the MSC. These included a creamer for coffee service presented by the A&M Mothers Club of Stephenville; stationary for students to use when writing letters in the MSC, given by the Federated A&M Mothers Clubs; and an electric automatic pointer to be used with movies, given by the Photo and Visual Aids Department of A&M.

The annual MSC awards banquet was set for Mar. 31. Council members decided election of new MSC officers would be held Mar. 30.

J. Wayne Stark, secretary to the council and director of the MSC, gave a brief financial statement of the MSC for January operations.

Cotton Ball Scheduled For April 24

The 19th Annual Cotton Pageant and Ball will be held Apr. 24, the Agronomy Society revealed today.

Originated in 1932 by Professor Joe Mogford of the agronomy department, it is one of the largest social activities of the year. Plans for the 1953 fete are now being made by the Agronomy Society, annual sponsors of the Pageant and Ball.

Committees and faculty advisors appointed are as follows:

Entertainment committee, headed by Pat Hitt, assisted by Kert Goode, Harold Scaief, Jack Murphy, and George Ross, with Prof. C. E. Watson as advisor.

Selection committee, with Harold Scaief, Will Polzer, and Roddy Peoples, and chairman Leo Buckholt. Dr. J. E. Adams is faculty advisor.

Chairman Leo Kahanek, Leonard Thornton, Ernie Enloe, and Murray Milford compose the program committee, with Dr. R. C. Potts as advisor.

Arrangements committee with Fritz Welsch, chairman, and Leo Kahanek, Ernie Enloe, and Murray Milford, assistants. Advisor, Dr. H. D. Foth.

Construction committee, headed by Leonard Thornton, with Bob Shepard, Leonard Stasney, and Bob Johnson, and faculty advisor, Prof. T. E. McAfee.

Storm Sewer Line Nears Completion

Work on the storm sewer which extends from the new gym to Hart Hall is nearing completion, said Walter Sayers, superintendent of the job.

The sewer is to provide a drainage system for the vicinity of the new gym and Hart Hall. Whenever there is a heavy rain, the water wouldn't drain off, so a storm sewer was needed, said Sayers.

This job is one of a series of storm sewer repairs on the campus which was started last September. This work is being done by the Andrews-Parker Contractors of Bryan at a cost of \$25,000. Completion of this job will open all roads on the campus which have been closed at various times since September.

Repairs will be made on the streets that have been broken up to lay the sewers, as soon as the dirt has settled, Sayers said.

World Prayer Day

German Student Speaks Sunday

Benhard Ohse, former president of the student Christian Movement in Germany and now a student at the University of Texas, will be the principle speaker for the "world-wide day of prayer" Sunday, Feb. 15, at 6:30 p. m. in the St. Thomas Episcopal Chapel.

The world-wide day of prayer has been sponsored for years by the World Student Christian Federation so that students around the world might be stimulated to pray for one another in terms of each nation's specific needs and problems.

Several Churches to Join
A&M students from the Christian, Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist, and Presbyterian churches and the YMCA, will participate in the event.

Ohse was born in the city of Rostock in Mecklenburg, Germany which is now in Russian sector of Europe. Ohse received his high school training in one of the best of all German boarding schools in Templin, Brandenburg.

Upon completion of high school, Ohse joined the German Army. He was captured by the Russians while defending the Eastern front in Poland, and was a prisoner of war for three years and three months. He was put to work at hard labor in a concentration camp in Lithuania, and was later removed to White Russia.

After being released from prison camp, Ohse returned to Rostock and entered the University of

Rostock. In 1949-50, he was elected to the Student Parliament of the University, which at that time was composed of 24 members.

Anti-Communist

Only six of these members were anti-communist and two were indifferent. While on the Parliament, Ohse made a stand against communist doctrines, and advocated Christian principles.

Because of the work he was doing, Ohse was forced to leave (See GERMAN, Page 4)



Bernhard Ohse

Takes Group In Dorm 16

Eisenberg Slated To Lead RE Talks For Third Time

By IDE TROTTER
Battalion News Staff

Rev. Larry Eisenberg will be leading discussion groups during RE Week, Feb. 15-20, for his third consecutive year.

A specialist in recreation for the Illinois Conference of the Methodist Church, Eisenberg will lead discussion groups in the lounge of Dorm 16.

In addition to leading dormitory discussions last year he also conducted the singing for the morning services held in Guion Hall.

A native of Tennessee, Eisenberg did his college work at Tennessee Wesleyan College and the University of Chattanooga.

He is a graduate of Garrett Biblical Institute in Evanston, Ill., and has attended both Boston University School of Theology and Yale University.

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He has been a Methodist minister since his graduation from John Tarleton Agricultural College in 1927. He received his BS degree from Texas Wesleyan College in 1943 and has studied in the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

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living in both Leggett and Milner Halls announced J. Gordon Gay, YMCA secretary.

A native of Arcadia, Texas, he received his BA degree from Sam Houston State College and did his graduate work in divinity at the Brite College of Bible of Texas Christian University.

Rev. Polinard is not new to A&M since he was inducted into the Enlisted Reserve Corps here in November, 1942. He served in France and Germany during the war as medical laboratory technician. During the occupation he did double duty as a substitute for Chaplains on furlough.

Prior to becoming minister of the Main Street Christian Church of Waxahachie he served the Broadmoor Christian Church of Houston.

Spain In Dorm 14

Forum groups in Dorm 14 will be led by Carl Spain, pastor of the Central Church of Christ in Houston.

The discussions in the lounge of dorm 14 will be for the students in dorm 14 and those living on the first two floors of dorm 17.

Spain, a native of Tennessee, received his BA degree from Abilene Christian College in 1938. Both his MA and BD degrees were earned at Southern Methodist University.

An experienced student worker, he has served as professor of Bible at Harding College, Searcy, Ark., and as director of the Bible Chair and student center for Churches of Christ at Texas Tech in Lubbock.