

May Face Ruin

Activity Fee Loss Hampers Athletics

(This is the first in a series of articles on expected results to several A&M student activities if a bill in the Texas legislature allowing collection of a compulsory activity fee does not pass.)

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Students who did not pay activity fees this semester will not be allowed to participate in intramural athletics, announced Barney Welch, intramural director.

Games played by students who have not paid the fees will automatically be forfeited, said Welch. He has asked athletic officers to check fiscal receipts to see if they have paid the fee.

"If we don't get our share of the activity fee collected from all students, we will not be able to operate an intramural program at A&M, said Welch.

"More than \$6,500 is received annually for intramural athletics

from student activity fees paid by students, consisting of 50 cents each semester per student," said Welch. "Loss of this money or any part of it would cause us to discontinue intramurals or completely alter the program, he added.

A&M's setup is noted as one of the finest college intramural programs in the United States. Estimates show that approximately 3,800 students participated in intramurals last semester. This is by far the most popular extracurricular activity at A&M, said Welch. He estimated more than 80 teams participated in the seven of 20 sports conducted last semester — football, basketball, tennis, horse shoes, bowling, ping pong, and swimming.

Almost half of the budgeted money goes back to the students, Welch explained. Budgets for this year shows that \$2,800 will go to students in the way of payment (Continued on Page 3)



CONTINUE RE WEEK PLANNING—Corps Chaplain, O. C. (Putter) Jarvis (right) and Ide Trotter, member of the Interfaith Council, confer with Dr. R. E. Goodrich Jr. of the First Methodist Church in Dallas on plans for Religious Emphasis Week. Goodrich is the main speaker for RE week which begins Monday.

Drizzling Rain Causes Wrecks; No CS Injuries

Several automobile collisions occurred yesterday in College Station as .71 inches of rain fell through the afternoon and night. The most rain, .58 inches, fell from midnight through this morning.

The CAA Weather Bureau at Easterwood Airport reported that the low temperature last night was 44 degrees. More rain is expected through the day, and the temperature should remain in the 40 to 50 degrees range, the bureau said.

Winter returned to other parts of Texas last night as rain and mist caused wrecks responsible for the death of five persons and injuring eight.

No one was hurt in the minor collisions at College Station. Two of the accidents occurred during the noon hour traffic on Sulphur Springs Road.

The Associated Press reported that five persons were killed and three others were hurt near Waco Tuesday when two automobiles and a diesel truck collided on the McGregor-Waco Highway. A State Highway Diesel truck then plowed into the wreckage. Officers thought slick pavement was responsible for the accident.

At Houston, five persons were injured when a Pioneer Lines bus collided with an automobile at a city intersection during light rain.

A mass of moist, warm air moving ahead of the front produced light drizzle or rain over Eastern Texas. Behind the front, temperatures dropped as much as 30 degrees.

The U. S. Weather Bureau warned stockmen in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains to protect stock against freezing rain or snow and low temperatures of 15 degrees.

Snow was not forecast except in the Panhandle, but forecasters said rain in North Central Texas would freeze late Tuesday or early Wednesday. Temperatures as low as 28 degrees in East and South Central Texas and 24 degrees in North Central Texas were forecast.

Temperatures dropped quickly as the slow-paced cold front moved across Texas. Abilene's temperature dropped to 38 degrees after the front passed there at 11:30 a.m. At Mineral Wells, ahead of the cold air mass, the temperature was 69 degrees.

A Weather Bureau forecast of strong winds to 30 miles an hour from the north and northwest—and unofficial Air Force Weather Service warnings of even higher winds—brought about evacuation Monday night of all tactical and support aircraft, including the nation's headquarters force of B-36 atomic superbombers, from Carswell Air Force Base at Fort Worth to other fields.

Lions Club Plans CHS Magic Show

"Birch the Magician" will be presented Feb. 25 by the College Station Lions Club at the A&M Consolidated High School.

Proceeds from the project will be used to aid crippled children. A part of the money will be utilized locally, and the remainder to help support a camp for crippled children at Kerrville.

This camp is sponsored jointly by the Lions Clubs of Texas.

Two performances will be given. An afternoon matinee will be presented at 3 p. m., followed by an evening show at 8 p. m.

Admission for adults will be \$1.20, students 60 cents and children 30 cents.

Foreign Student Wins Top Place In Talent Show

A standing-room-only audience heard Ernesto Martelino, a pianist from Manila, Philippine Islands, finish first in a competition in the MSC last night to find the most talented Aggies.

Jim Harrison, junior from San Antonio, took second place with his renditions of popular folk songs.

A trio from Mexico City took the alternate place, and after the show was over, played for almost an hour in the MSC Fountain Room.

Malcolm Stephan, Jerry Lindner, and Severan Schaeffer made up the trio of two guitars and a vocalist.

The first and second place winners will represent A&M at the Intercollegiate Talent Show here on Mar. 29 in Guion Hall.

If complications arise, said Barton Raynaud, chairman of the MSC music committee which sponsored the program, the trio will be used in the Intercollegiate Show.

Other acts included two western combos, two popular singers, two quartets, a popular song trio, an accordionist, a classical pianist, and a semi-classical vocalist.

Maj. Brown Gets Medal For Heroism

Maj. Charles H. Brown, Army ROTC instructor recently assigned to A&M, was presented the Soldiers Medal for heroism Friday by Col. Shelly P. Myers Jr., PMS&T.

Maj. Brown was cited for heroism on August 17, 1952, near Sachon-Ni, Korea, when he rescued a soldier from the flood waters of the Soyang-gang River.

"He courageously plunged into the treacherous, rock-infested stream, and struggling against the flood waters, was able to reach the semi-conscious man and bring him back to shore," Col. Myers said.

Maj. Brown returned to the United States from Korea last fall. He has been assigned duty with the Basic Section.

Award Deadline Set for March 1

Mar. 1 is the application deadline for the \$300 Founder's Fund Scholarship Award of Phi Eta Sigma, national freshman honor society, said Dean John R. Bertrand, faculty adviser of A&M's chapter.

The scholarship will be used for first year graduate work by Phi Eta Sigma members. Winners will be selected from this year's seniors by a committee appointed by the society's national president, he said.

The following points will be considered in granting the awards: high scholastic record, evidence of creative ability financial need, promise of success in the applicant's chosen field and personality.

Applications can be obtained at Bertrand's office in the Aggie Inn.

Sixth AF Finalist To Be Picked at Ball

A sixth sweetheart finalist for the Air Force Ball will be chosen from the dance floor, said W. D. (Pete) Hardesty, business manager of Student Activities.

She will be selected by two secret judges. After being picked, she will compete with the five original finalists for the bouquet of roses which designate her as Air Force Ball sweetheart. Other finalists will be given presents.

Aggieland Orchestra

With Valentine's Day as its theme, the dance will last from 9-12 p. m., Feb. 14. Music will be provided by the Aggieband Orchestra. In addition to all AF-ROTC cadets, the dance will be open to Army ROTC cadets who may buy a one dollar ticket at the door.

All Air Force personnel are invited, and cadets who have contributed to the Air Force Fund will be admitted with or without dates. A committee headed by Gene Steed, 2nd Division commander, has decided that all profits, if any, from the dance will be given to the March of Dimes. Steed is also in charge of all arrangements for the ball.

Other committee heads include

Bill Highsmith, Air Force chairman; Kay Graves, dance chairman; and Jim Haney, decorations chairman.

The five finalists chosen for sweetheart of the ball are Jonetta Lovett, submitted by Key Kolb, Chere Swenson, submitted by Robin Ransome; Patricia Martin, submitted by Don Garey; Di Ann Boulevard, submitted by David Wilkinson; and Suisa Yancy, submitted by Samuel Warren Johnson.



Flight Operations Wings

Flight Ops Cadets Get Wings Soon

All junior and senior flight operations cadets and seniors in other options who have applied for flight school will be authorized to wear special wings on their uniforms, said Maj. Maxie B. Seale, head of A&M's AFROTC flight operations group.

Qualified cadets will receive certificates authorizing wear of the wings, said Maj. Seale.

The certificates will be awarded soon at a formal assembly, and a record of the presentation will be placed in each student's 201 file, he said.

The wings will be worn on the left side of the shirt, said Maj. Seale.

PE Seniors Teach At Consolidated

Eleven A&M physical education majors now are teaching Consolidated High School's physical education classes, said C. W. Landiss, instructor of director teaching classes.

Those teaching at CHS are Jack Little, William Blair, Roy Dollar, Clarence Adams, Claude Watts, Alvin Langford, Yale Lary, Earl Smith, Don Heft, Robert McLellan, and Leroy Miksch. They are members of the PE 450 class, a required course for physical education majors.

Student teachers conduct regular physical education work in junior and senior high schools, teaching both boys and girls.

Besides conducting regular classes, Blair and Dollar are in charge of an intramural program held during noon hour. This program includes basketball, horseshoes, shuffleboard, softball, and table tennis.

Regular classes for girls offer basketball, rhythms, softball, and tumbling. In boys' classes, tumbling, basketball, softball, games and relays, and rhythms are taught.

Last Town Hall Set in Guion Thursday Nite

Dance routines, instrumentals, and choral music will combine in the "Festival of Song", Town Hall's last presentation of the year.

The program will be given at 8 p.m. Thursday in Guion Hall.

Directed by Lara Hoggard, choral director for all of Fred Waring's productions, "Festival of Song" will present classical, popular, sacred, folk, and novelty music. Lyrics and music will be played against a background of lively dances, colorful costumes, and subtle lighting.

One highlight of the program will be a collection of musically adapted Negro sermons sung by the chorus with a narrative background. The performance will include 36 musicians which will include the choir, dancers, and orchestra.

Choral director of Fred Waring's famous choir, The Pennsylvanians, Hoggard also creates and directs all routines seen on Waring's television shows. "Festival of Song" is Hoggard's own production.

In addition to his work with Waring and the coming Town Hall show, Hoggard has taught choral techniques in schools. He has won several awards for artistry in this field.

Top Business Men To Talk On Etiquette

Business etiquette will be discussed at a program at 7:30 tonight in the MSC Ballroom, said Lamar McNew, MSC Directorate head.

Purpose of the program is to give A&M graduates pointers in getting along in the business world, said Carroll Phillips, program chairman.

Three speakers from the business world will give talks of about fifteen minutes each which will cover the different phases of business life.

Joseph B. Collerain, placement counselor of Humble Oil and Refining Co. of Houston, Dr. J. A. Shanks of the personnel division of E. I. du Pont de Nemours Co., Inc. of Wilmington, Del., and Robert Douglas, industrial relations supervisor for Procter and Gamble Manufacturing Co. of Dallas will speak.

CHS Students Plan Teenage Canteen

Formation of a Teen Town Canteen will be discussed with Consolidated High School students in an assembly Friday, said Mrs. Eugene Rush, chairman of the group proposing the Canteen.

Robert B. Halpin, who has worked with teen canteens in other towns, will speak to the students about canteens and their operation.

Chaplains to Lead RE Week Groups

Lt. Col. Vernon M. Goodhand will lead forums and discussion groups for students in Dorms 6 and 8 during RE Week, Feb. 15-20.

The sessions will be held in the lounge of Dorm 6 with afternoon sessions immediately after supper.

Chaplain Goodhand, chief of the Plans Branch Office of the Chief of Air Force Chaplains, received his AB degree from Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., and his BD degree from Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.

After entering the army as a chaplain in 1941, he served with the 37th Infantry Div. in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

Student Discussion

Maj. Everett M. Robie, assistant Fourth Army chaplain, will lead student discussion sessions

Youth Work

The Rev. Erwin A. Juraschek of Austin, a specialist in youth work, will conduct services in St. Mary's Chapel, during RE Week.

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A&M Debators Tackle Longhorns In Austin

Two A&M debate teams, finalists in the Baylor Forensic Tournament last weekend, left today for Austin to compete with the University of Texas.

The teams are John Samuels and Ken Scott of the varsity and Len Crawford and H. W. Whitney, freshmen. Both teams won three and lost one match in the Baylor tournament.

Another team of Bert Weller and Joe Riddle was eliminated after losing three and winning one debate. One hundred and fifty teams from Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Louisiana, and Kansas participated.

Ditch Diggers Cut Goodwin Phone Lines

Telephone conversations in Goodwin and Bizzell Halls were interrupted Monday when a dragline crew digging a ditch mistook the phone cables for tree roots and hacked through them.

Walter Sayers, foreman of the dragline crew from H. J. H. B. Hogan, Bryan dragline contractors claimed the blueprints given him which showed underground obstacles in the area, did not show the cables.

Since they had been constantly striking tree roots since the ditch had been started, the crew thought the lines were tree roots, and therefore cut through them, Sayers said.

Other live wires that lead to Hart Hall were not shown on the blueprint and consequently, were nearly cut by the workmen, the foreman said. "We've found everything in this ditch but money," Sayers said.

The telephone lines had been repaired by noon Tuesday.

Dorm 17 Cadets Have Separate Study Rooms

Dormitory 17 unit commanders are establishing lounges in the building's vacant rooms.

Each class of cadets will have a separate room in which to study and hold meetings. The rooms will be used for recreation during certain hours.



FOR HEROISM—Col. Shelly P. Myers (right) presents Maj. Chas. H. Brown the Soldiers Medal for heroism while serving in Korea.

Mardi Gras Party Scheduled in MSC

Employees of the MSC will be entertained at a Mardi Gras Party, at 8 p. m. Wednesday in the MSC Assembly Room, said Mrs. Helen Atterbury, secretary to the MSC director.

In keeping with the Mardi Gras theme, the first feature of the party will be a coronation. The all male cast will include a court, king, queen, and duchesses.

Skits will be presented by Aly Lasheen, MSC library clerk, and Mrs. Jeannine Green, secretary to the MSC social director; and Frank Manitzas, Joel Austin Harri Baker, and Jerry Bennett of The Battalion Staff.

A chorus composed of the MSC supervisors will sing at the party, and a barber shop quartet composed of Sam Stine, Charles (Chuck) Cargill, Oscar Garcia, and John Geiger, clerks in the MSC bowling alley will also do some vocals.

Refreshments will be served following the program, Mrs. Atterbury said. "Music will be furnished for those who wish to dance," she added.

Part of Duncan Hall Closes to Cut Costs

The east wing of Duncan Dining Hall has been closed to cut expenses, said John G. Peniston, supervisor of subsistence.

Since noon yesterday, all cadets in the new area are eating in the west wing of the mess hall.

Peniston said the change cut about 30 people a day from the pay roll by doing away with a dish washing crew and a serving crew.

"No student waiters will be fired," he said. The drop in enrollment was responsible for the change, according to Peniston.