

News Flashes

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WASHINGTON—The Big Three Western powers have formally asked Russia to discuss the future of Germany and Austria at a meeting in Berlin next month. On the record, they neither encouraged nor shut off the possibility of a later session to include China. Notes to the Kremlin from Washington, London and Paris were made public last night.

HOUSTON—H. R. Cullen, fabulous oilman-philanthropist, said today he didn't give the University of Houston \$2,500,000 because its football team upset ninth-ranked Baylor Nov. 14. "I was planning to give this before we played the game," he said in a letter rejecting an invitation to present a New York touchdown club award to former Yale football great Pudge Heffelfinger. "I merely announced the gift at a football rally to lend enthusiasm to the students."

CIUDAD TRUJILLO, Dominican Republic—Porfirio Rubirosa, playboy diplomat and onetime husband of Doris Duke, has been booted out of his job as minister-counselor of the Dominican Embassy in Paris. The government finally got fed up with the international headlines accompanying his romancing.

WASHINGTON—College and university enrollment in the United States totals 2,250,701 this fall, an increase of 4.8 per cent over last year. The U. S. Office of Education, making public its annual count today, said this was the second consecutive year in which enrollments had increased.

DENVER—Butter-fingered thieves left an expensive trail for police in a \$4,000 burglary. Clothing, guns and jewelry, including 120 watches, were reported stolen. Harold Kal, operator of a war surplus store, yesterday pointed out to police a three-block trail of footprints in Denver's new snow, along which was distributed a good share of the loot.

NEW YORK—A cancer researcher has told a science symposium today that "prolonged and heavy use of cigarettes increases up to 20 times the risk of developing cancer of the lung." The statement was made by Dr. Ernest L. Wynder, who is doing research on the disease at Memorial Center's Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, at a New York dental meeting on the subject "The Cigarette." Dr. Wynder reported interviews with 1,000 men suffering cancer of the lung. Only 15, he said, were non-smokers.

Kiwanis Club Sees Movie About Europe

Colored slides of scenes in Europe were shown yesterday to the College Station Kiwanis club. Narrating the presentation was Dr. Meta S. Brown of the agronomy department. Dr. Brown took the pictures while she was attending a conference in Italy. She spent several days before the conference touring the Netherlands, France and Germany. The slides showed views of the home life in the different countries, and many of the historic landmarks. A few of the slides showed the process the European countries are going through to repair the extensive war damage.

All SWC Students Invited to Dance

Any Southwest conference student in Dallas during the Christmas holidays is invited to the conference New Years Eve dance, according to Melvin T. Munn, chairman of the committee for the party. The dance will begin at 9 p. m. in Southern Methodist university's student union building. The queen and princess from the seven conference schools and members of the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship committee have been invited to the party. Also invited are student representatives from the University of Alabama, which plays Rice institute in the Cotton Bowl Jan. 1 in Dallas. Music will be provided by the Cell Block Seven, a Dallas dixieland band. Other entertainment includes the Kilgore Rangerettes and talent from the conference schools. Refreshments will be served. "We'd like to have as many students as possible," Munn said, "because this is the student's party."

Weather Today



CLEAR

Clear to partly cloudy and continued cool. High yesterday 68. Low this morning 43.

'Students Should Correct Parking Habits, -- Hickman

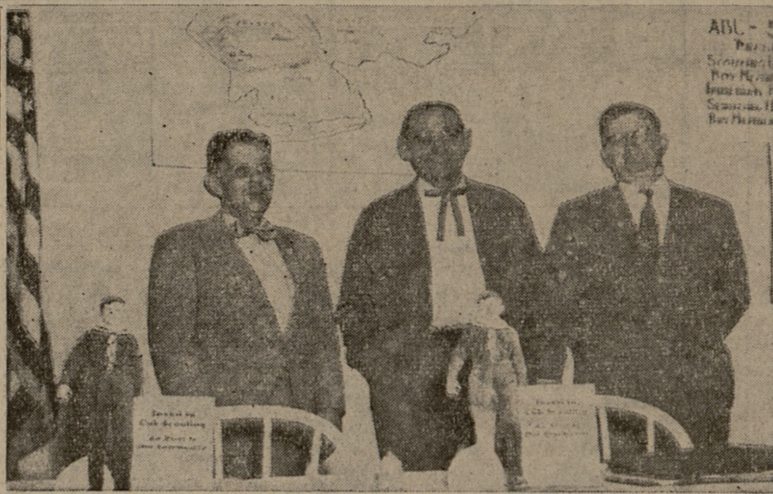
"The students who park their cars in the dorm 3 and 5 parking lot should park at a 90-degree angle instead of a 45-degree angle," said Fred Hickman, chief of campus security.

Senior Favorites Accepted Now

Pictures for the senior favorites section of the 1954 Aggieiland are now being accepted in the student activities office, said Bill Bowdoin, activities editor. The pictures should be a minimum size of 3 by 5 and a maximum of 5 by 7. Black-and-white glossy prints are preferred. No color pictures will be accepted, Bowdoin said. Only two pictures from each senior will be accepted, with a charge of \$2 a picture being made. The full name of the favorite and the name of the person submitting the picture should be printed on the back of the photograph. The pictures will not be accepted after Feb. 8.

Voters Approve New Courthouse

Bonds for a new courthouse and jail for Brazos county were approved Saturday by about a five to one majority of county votes. The election approved the issuance of \$800,000 in bonds for the project. The new building, to be designed by Caudill, Rowlett and Scott and Associates of Bryan will be built on the present courthouse site. County Judge A. S. Ware said he does not expect a contract to be let for construction for six months. He said at least a two-story building would be needed.



SCOUT LEADERS—Newly elected officers for the Brazos-Robertson Counties Boy Scout committee are, from left to right, D. D. Burchard, vice chairman; Roland C. Dansby, chairman; and Dr. E. E. Ivy, district commissioner.

New Scout District Announces Officers

Officers were elected last night at a meeting to organize the newly formed Brazos-Robertson Counties Boy Scout district. The new district was formed by joining the existing Brazos and Robertson districts. Roland C. Dansby of Bryan was elected chairman. Vice chairmen are D. D. Burchard of College Station and C. E. Blake of Hearne. Dr. E. E. Ivy of College Station is the new district commissioner. The two districts were joined to make a more efficient organization and to save on manpower, Burchard said. The merger was a part of a reorganization of the Sam Houston Council of the Boy Scouts. The new committee will have 80 members. Sixty attended last night's meeting at the First Baptist church in Bryan. The new officers will be installed at the district's annual meeting Jan. 2 in Sbsia dining hall. Their first business meeting will be Jan. 11 at the First Baptist church. The main goal of the new district committee will be to increase the number of boys in the scouting program in this area from the present 500 to about 1,300, Burchard said.

Faircloth Takes Job At Greenville

Dalton Faircloth will be the next head coach at Greenville high school. He received word early this morning from the superintendent of schools in Greenville that he had the job. Faircloth resigned Monday morning as offensive backfield coach for the Aggies. His resignation will be effective Feb. 1, 1954. "This is an excellent opportunity I have, and I certainly am glad to get the job," Faircloth said.

Top Aggie Talent To Represent A&M

First and second place winners in Fridays Aggie Talent show will represent A&M in the Intercollegiate Talent show held here every spring. An all-Aggie can can line, composed of eight members of the Memorial Student Center music committee, has been added to the entertainment. The eleven other acts will also be performed by local Aggie talent. The show will be 7:45 p. m. Friday in the MSC ballroom. No admission will be charged and the public is invited. Three judges will be selected from the college staff.

Class Visits Temple Experiment Station

The Agronomy 418 class returned yesterday from a trip to the Temple experiment station. The group studied conservation practices on the station and surrounding farms.

Paper Has Grown

CHS School Paper Is Now Successful

A&M Consolidated high school's newspaper has fought its way from debt and near-bankruptcy to a 1,000-copy circulation and two awards of merit. Most of the CHS Roundup's progress has taken place in the last two years. In 1951, the paper found itself with a circulation of 400 and practically no money. The staff managed to make it through the year, but in 1952 they found themselves in the same shape. Enough money was left for only one publication. The Roundup was published four times that year, going into debt on the second and third editions. By holding a spring carnival, the staff made enough money to pay for the fourth publication. Miss Betsy Burchard, daughter of the head of A&M's journalism department, took the editorship this year and started the paper towards its present standing. Clifton Bates, The Battalion's

staff reporters. Staff reporters are Tom Ivy, band news; Fred Anderson, cartoonist; Bobby Jackson and Charles Johnson, Jim Forsythe, '50, who began teaching English at CHS last year, is sponsor. The Roundup staff belongs to a club which holds regular weekly meetings. The only credit members receive is a club activity grade. Under their direction, The Roundup is published once every two weeks, and given to students free of charge. "We plan to do this the entire year, too," Miss Burchard said. The paper is a four-page edition, and every two or three publications carry two extra pages. The Roundup is financed by advertisements sold to College Station and Bryan businessmen. For the first time, the newspaper was represented Dec. 3-5 at the Texas High School Press association convention in Denton. Miss Burchard, Miss Couch and Jerry Holmes were Consolidated's representatives. Over 600 students from high schools throughout the state attended the meeting. D. D. Burchard, head of the A&M journalism department, was a speaker at the convention.

Supreme Court Ends Legal Hearings in Case

Odd Christmas Tree Erected In MSC Friday

An unusual Christmas tree was designed and erected in the main lounge of the Memorial Student Center by the Floriculture and Landscape Architecture society Friday. The tree was designed by Bud Brady and erected Friday night under the supervision of Al J. Tolle, said Albert E. Cusick, president of the society. While the tree was being erected, a little boy watched with bulging eyes and turning to his mother asked, "Mommy what is it?" A lady from California, who was also watching, commented, "Why what a beautiful manzanita tree that is." Another bystander commented, "This is the first time I ever saw a Christmas tree without needles." The tree is a large oak branch with its limbs covered by a blue and white frosting decoration, offset by clusters of white frosted pine cones centered with silver balls and ribbon. To add to its beauty, silver tinsel streamers are hung on the limbs of the branch.

Segregation Ruling Not Expected Soon

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Supreme Court hears today the last of the legal arguments it requested for guidance in the momentous decision whether segregation of whites and Negroes in public schools violates the Constitution. The justices probably will take several months to reach their conclusions, write their decision on the main issue and—if it is against segregation—on whether and how the federal judiciary may provide for a period of transition. Attorneys already had spoken their final words in cases involving Virginia, South Carolina and Kansas. The Court turned today to cases from the District of Columbia and Delaware.

Fire Causes \$100 Damage In Hart Hall

A fire last Thursday in Hart hall caused an estimated \$100 damage. The blaze started when a book shelf damaged the insulation on a radio cord, according to Ray K. Barrett jr., one of the occupants of the room. Besides burning the radio and book shelf, a desk lamp, all Barrett's books and important papers and notes were destroyed. No damage was done to the room or desk. Barrett said he had been gone from the room about ten minutes when Glenn Blake noticed smoke coming from an adjoining room. Blake and Eric Miller fought their way into the smoke filled room and extinguished the fire before additional damage was done.

Rodeo Team Takes Fourth at McNeese

The A&M rodeo team won fourth place at the Intercollegiate rodeo at McNeese State college, Lake Charles, Louisiana over the weekend. Oklahoma A&M was first, Hardin Simmons, second, and Sul Ross, third. Fifteen schools competed in the show. Aggies who placed in the events were Kenneth Beasley, first in bull riding; Lowie Rice, third in calf roping; and Bob Rankin, sixth in bareback bronc riding.

Debate Tournament Set Here; Begins Friday

The A&M Discussion and Debate club will sponsor a debate tournament here beginning Friday morning. Teams from more than 12 Texas colleges, junior colleges and universities are expected to send delegates. Debates will be held all day Friday and Saturday morning in the

The Eisenhower administration joined up yesterday with those urging the high court to outlaw segregation, but Virginia, South Carolina and Kansas contended the question of dual school systems was for the legislatures—not the courts—to decide. Seventeen states and the District of Columbia require some form of racial segregation in public schools. Three other states permit it. Asst. Atty. Gen. J. Lee Rankin, who spoke for the Eisenhower administration, told the nine justices yesterday they have the "power and duty" to rule that segregation violates the 14th Amendment. J. Lindsay Almond Jr., Virginia's attorney general, countered that the court was being asked by opponents of segregation "to go farther than the Congress ever intended this court should go."

And T. Justin Moore, who also spoke for Virginia, told the court the segregation issue calls for judicial restraint "if any issue ever has."

"In my humble judgment, there isn't anything you could do that would be worse than an adverse decree," Moore added.

Thurgood Marshall, Negro attorney for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said the question is "whether or not the wishes of these states shall prevail or whether our Constitution shall prevail."

Rankin, under questioning, said the Justice Department adopts the views on segregation expressed in a brief filed by the Truman administration last year. This brief called the "separate but equal" doctrine laid down by the Supreme Court in 1896 "wrong," and asked the court to re-examine and overturn it. The Justice Department said Rankin was speaking for the present administration.

YMCA, the Academic building and the Memorial Student Center.

Trophies will be awarded Saturday at a luncheon in the MSC. During the luncheon, a formal discussion will be held on the question of what should be done about Congressional investigation.

Vic Wienen and John D. Ebbs of the English department, coaches for A&M's team, will award the trophies in both the junior and senior divisions.

Schools expected to compete are A&M, University of Houston, TCU, Baylor, University of Texas, Blinn junior college, Trinity university, Abilene Christian college, Stephen F. Austin college, Mary Hardin Baylor, North Texas state college, Hardin-Simmons university and others.

Monday Town Hall Show Postponed

There will be no Town Hall program Monday as scheduled. The program will be presented at a later date, but has not yet definitely been set. The student entertainment committee had originally planned a popular number for that Monday, but could book no popular entertainers for the date. The program probably will be booked after the new Physical Education building has been completed, so all Town Hall ticket holders can be seated in one performance. The next show will be the San Antonio symphony orchestra, scheduled for Jan. 7.



PRACTICE DEBATERS—James Slatton of Baylor university speaks in the senate chamber of the Memorial Student Center in a practice debate for the A&M debate tournament this weekend. Others in the picture are (left to right) John Samuels of A&M, Ken Scott of A&M, Slatton, and Fletcher Brown of Baylor.