

## SLC Group To Discuss Publications

### Jr. College Press Meet Here Feb. 12 First Of Kind

Nine junior colleges have indicated they will send about 65 delegates to the First Annual Texas Junior College Press conference to be held here February 12-13. The conference, first of its kind in Texas, is being sponsored by the A&M Journalism club. Workshop and discussion sessions will be held for different phases of small college journalism. Delegates representing newspapers, yearbooks, and student advisor groups may participate in sessions on advertising, reporting,

public relations, make-up and others. Wayne R. Dean, general chairman of the conference, said nine colleges have written that they will send delegates, and word is expected from other colleges soon. The conference was arranged upon request of some of the colleges. It will open with registration in the Memorial Student Center at 3 p. m. Friday, Feb. 12. W. R. Beaumier, vice-president and general manager of the Lufkin Publishing company and publisher of the Lufkin Daily-News, will be the principal speaker for the conference. His talk will follow the welcoming address by President D. H. Morgan Friday night at a dinner for the delegates in the MSC. A semi-formal dance will close Friday's activities. Saturday the conference will be divided into separate sessions for representatives of newspapers, yearbooks and student advisor groups.

### System Heads Discuss Budget Requests

Preparation of requests to be made to the Legislative Budget board were discussed yesterday at the first meeting of the year of the A&M system presidents.

The request will probably be made some time this summer, according to Henderson Shuffler, system director of information. Also discussed were the system's hospitalization insurance plan and the organizational improvements being made in the system.

Chancellor M. T. Harrington presided at the meeting, which was in his office.

Attending the meeting were Assistant Chancellor E. L. Angell; T. R. Spence, manager of physical plants; W. C. Freeman, comptroller; President David H. Morgan, A&M; President E. B. Evans, Prairie View A&M college; President E. H. Hereford, Arlington State college.

President E. H. Howell, Tarleton State college; Director A. D. Folweiler, Texas forest service; Director R. D. Lewis, Agricultural experiment station; Director G. G. Gibson, Agricultural extension service; and Shuffler.

A&M journalism students, including Jim Ashlock, Harri Baker, Jerry Bennett, Bob Boriske, Ed Holder and Jon Kinslow, will be moderators for the sessions.

Roland Bing, manager of student publications on leave-of-absence, will lead the discussion for the yearbook session. Assisting him will be Tom Murray, chief artist of Taylor Publishing company of Dallas, and Carl Jobe, acting manager of student publications. Murray will talk on "Layout in Choosing A Theme."

D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department, said, "A&M students who help in the conference will get valuable experience. Members of the department staff will gladly do what they can to help make it a success."

Junior colleges which have said they will send delegates are Decatur Baptist college, Howard County Junior college, Kilgore Junior college, Paris Junior college, Schreiner institute, Southwestern Bible institute, Tarleton State college, Victoria college, and Wharton County junior college.



Dr. Victor Alessandro  
Symphony Conductor

### Next Town Hall

## S.A. Symphony Called 'Prodigy'

The 80-piece San Antonio Symphony orchestra, conducted by Dr. Victor Alessandro, will present the third Town Hall program of the year tomorrow in Guion hall.

Called the "prodigy" of U. S. orchestras, the group will give two concerts, one at 7 p. m. and the other at 9 p. m.

Persons with Town Hall season passes may obtain tickets by presenting the passes at the student activities office in Goodwin hall, or in front of Duncan mess hall after the evening meal.

Tickets also will be available at the door. Persons without season passes may buy tickets for \$2 at the student activities office.

Called among the leading organizations of this country" by British music baronet Sir Thomas Beecham, the orchestra is under the permanent musical directorship of Alessandro.

Alessandro succeeded the late Max Reiter, the orchestra's founding conductor. A native Texan, Alessandro is also the founder of the Oklahoma City Symphony orchestra.

The San Antonio Symphony was the only orchestra to offer a full opera season along with its regular activities. The New York Herald-Tribune wrote, "Everybody interested in giving opera to America should take a look at what San Antonio has done."

After hearing the orchestra over the National Broadcasting company radio network, Arturo Toscanini said, "... a fine performance, which is a thing that does not happen very often even with famous orchestras and widely publicized conductors."

The organization has been publicized by Time, Newsweek, New Yorker and Reader's Digest magazines and newspapers.

Dimitri Mitropoulos, who was once guest conductor, said, "The San Antonio Symphony can really compete with any orchestra in this country and Europe."

## Standing Committees May Be Recommended

By JERRY BENNETT  
Battalion Co-Editor

Eight representatives of the Student Life committee meet today in what could be the first step in censoring The Battalion, all other student publications and controlling Aggie yell practices.

The group of four students and four members of the faculty and staff will meet at 2 p. m. in the office of C. G. (Spike) White, director of student activities. White's office is located on the second floor of Goodwin Hall.

Members of this group are to decide if standing committees are needed for yell leaders and student publications.

Battalion co-editors Ed Holder and Jerry Bennett voted against the motion which formed this group at the last meeting of the Student Life committee. They believed it would lead to censorship of the press.

If the group favors forming the standing committees, it will draw up a motion to amend the student life constitution so that the committees can be added. Duties and membership of the committees will also be recommended.

Here are the members of the group that will make today's decision.

Students: Carroll Phillips, corps scholastic officer; Doyle F. Lowery, non-military student; Billy Henderson, non-military student and T. B. Field, commander of E field artillery.

Faculty and staff: Dr. C. W. Landiss, chairman of the group and a member of the physical education department; R. G. Perryman of the Fiscal office, S. A. Kerley of the Basic division and White.

Holder, Bennett, Carl Jobe, director of Student Publications, and Vol M. (Monty) Montgomery, head yell leader, will attend in an "advisory capacity."

The Battalion first learned of action against it following the student ousting of John Clark, the junior from Odessa who made headlines throughout the country. A group of students escorted Clark from school after he wrote a letter to The Battalion criticizing some Aggie traditions.

The Battalion wrote several articles and editorials about the John Clark incident. One editorial accused the administration of "white washing" the affair.

### Visited Holder

Later three top ranking cadets visited co-editor Holder in The Battalion office. They were Corps Commander Fred Mitchell, Phillips and Leonard (Chubby) Eddy, commander of the fourth group.

Mitchell and Phillips said that they were going to try to have Holder and Bennett removed from office. They claimed that the editors had been hurting A&M with some of their stories and editorials. They said that they were acting as members of the Student Life committee and representing the student body.

### Battalion Learned

Then The Battalion learned about the move to form the publications and yell leader committees. The subject had been placed on the Student Life committee agenda for its December meeting. At the meeting White said several persons had visited him and were concerned about student publications. Later he admitted that

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## New CHS Building Begins To Go Up

Construction started this morning on the new A&M Consolidated high school.

Contract for the building was let to Andrew-Parker of Bryan. The contract, which includes the new high school and an all-purpose room at Lincoln high school for Negroes, was for \$319,141.08.

The mechanical and electrical subcontract for the high school was let to W. E. Kutzschbach of Bryan. Kutzschbach was also awarded the mechanical sub-contract for the Lincoln building.

The electrical construction was awarded to Bryan Electric service.

The new high school building will be divided into three units: the classroom wing, science wing, and the assembly-band unit. The administration unit will be on the floor below the classroom wing.

### Designed By Caudill

Total heated floor area in the CHS building will be 28,135 square feet. It was designed by Caudill, Rowlett, Scott and Associates of Bryan.

"It will be one of the most up to date school plants in the country, designed to serve the needs of the high school pupil and his educational program," said Caudill.

Major building materials will be concrete, steel, wood, brick and glass.

Floors will be constructed by the lift-slab technique. In this process,

concrete slabs will be poured on ground level and lifted in place with hydraulic jacks. This method is both quick and economical, Caudill said.

### Designed Like Office

Designed like an office building, the school will have movable partitions to meet space changes that enrollment and curriculum may demand.

An integrated heating system will be used in the building. This system will be a part of the wall panels with continuous convectors around the outside walls of the building.

There will be an auditorium designed to seat 600 people during regular programs. This can be expanded to seat 900 for special occasions, such as graduation, Caudill said.

"A unique arrangement combining the stage and the music suite allows the regular stage to be expanded for as many as 300 performers," he said.

Because of the sloping terrain, an outdoor social terrace will be built, protected by the classroom wing, which serves as the terrace roof. This will make a sheltered unloading space for cars and busses.

### Movable Cabinets Used

A system of movable cabinets will be used, allowing each teaching space to have storage facilities (See NEW SCHOOL, Page 2)

## Standards Slipping

# Center Needs Money

By HARRI BAKER  
Battalion Campus Editor

There are going to be some changes in the Memorial Student Center.

They will be little changes, but together they add up to something big: The MSC doesn't have enough money to continue operating as it has been.

Some of the changes are already noticeable. There are no flower displays any place in the Center now. After Sunday, the candy and cigarette counter in the fountain room will be discontinued.

The tables in the dining room will not have tablecloths on them from now on. Four members of the foods staff have been released.

### Weather Today



Clear today and tonight with no expected change tomorrow. High yesterday 67. Low this morning 37.

As soon as a small cafeteria counter is installed in the fountain room, the coffee shop will start closing at noon, and will not serve lunch.

The furniture upholsterer and the refinisher who formerly worked full-time keeping the Center's expensive furniture in new condition are now working only part-time.

Other changes that may be necessary later this year, because of lack of funds, include a reduction of cleaning services after night meetings and no air conditioning in the meeting rooms this spring.

What has brought all this about?

### Activities Divided

It's a plain case of lack of funds. The MSC activities are divided into three parts: the student program, such as clubs, dances and other events; the business enterprises, such as the gift shop, dining areas, and hotel rooms; and the facilities, which include all the free areas such as the lounges and meeting rooms, and the care it takes to keep these areas in good shape.

The student program is paid for by Exchange Store funds. The business areas make a profit, and the profit is used to help pay for the facilities.

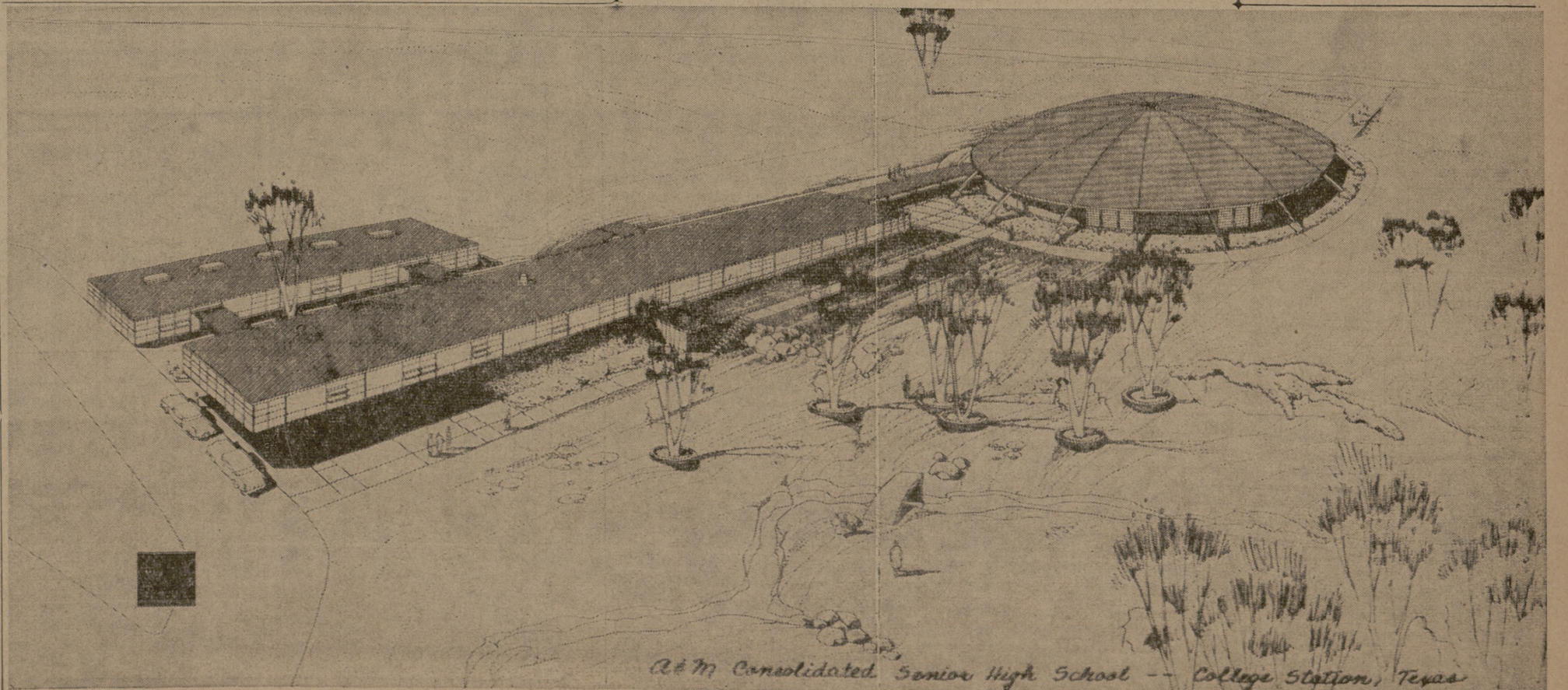
The State of Texas gives the Center funds each year for its adult education program, which pays for the use of Center facilities by short course visitors.

### Needs Money

But this isn't enough money. In the past, the Center received money from surplus funds built up during the war. Examples of these were the Exchange Store and Aggeland Inn surpluses.

But now the surplus funds are almost gone. There will be no money coming to the Center from that source.

Until this year, the MSC got one dollar per student each semester (See CENTER, Page 2)



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