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Ridgeway Will Be Guest of Honor For Military Ball

Gen. Matthew B. Ridgeway will be the main guest for the Military Ball weekend activities, March 5 and 6.

Ridgeway, who is army chief of staff, will lead a group of distinguished guests from Washington, including sixth district congressman Olin (Tiger) Teague of College Station.

The guests will arrive by airplane at 6:45 p. m. March 5. A tentative schedule of events for them includes a dinner with the president, the Combat Ball, the Military day review, and the Military ball.

Coming with Ridgeway will be Maj. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, special assistant to the chief of staff for reserve components; Brig. Gen. Anthony J. D. Biddle, special assistant to the chief of staff; Brig. Gen. Renaldo Van Brunt, deputy assistant to the chief of staff for reserve components; Lt. Col. Joe

Hollingsworth, executive, office of the chief of legislative liaison; Maj. M. A. Field, Ridgeway's aide; and Lt. Col. Kamel Atalay, Turkish military attache.

Hollingsworth is an A&M former student, class of 1939.

Col. Joe E. Davis, A&M commandant, said that since an incomplete guest list, since other military officials from other parts of the country had been invited, and also probably more men would come from Washington.

Ridgeway, famous as "the fighting general with the grenades", has been army chief of staff since last August. Before his appointment to that position he was supreme commander of the allied powers in Europe.

During the Korean war, he was commander of the eighth army, replacing Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, who was killed in a jeep accident. He was promoted from this position to supreme commander of the United Nations forces in Korea and commander-in-chief of the Far East command in Japan.

During World War II Ridgeway, as commander of the 82nd airborne infantry, was responsible for planning and carrying out the first large-scale airborne assault in history—the attack on Sicily from North Africa.

Later in World War II he commanded the 28th airborne corps in Belgium.

A graduate of West Point, Ridgeway is married and has a 5-year-old son, Matthew B. Jr.

Among Ridgeway's medals are the distinguished service cross with an oak leaf cluster, the distinguished service medal with two oak leaf clusters, the silver star with an oak leaf cluster, the legion of merit, and the bronze star with an oak leaf cluster.



Gen. Matthew B. Ridgeway

City Planning Move Against Untagged Dogs

The city council last night instructed City Manager Ran Boswell to crack down on the stray dogs in College Station.

Boswell was asked by the council to enforce the city ordinance requiring all dogs to have license and rabies vaccination tags. Boswell said he would take action on the matter beginning Wednesday.

The action was brought before the council by Joe Orr. He said he had noticed a number of stray dogs in the city that did not have any tags.

"Unless the city takes action against these dogs, there is a possibility of a rabies epidemic," Orr said.

Boswell said each dog must be vaccinated each year against rabies. In order for a person to get a city dog license, Boswell said, a receipt for a vaccination must be presented at the city hall.

The recommendation to the city manager asked that he "collect, impound and dispose of dogs without tags."

Mayor Ernest Langford asked The Battalion to publicize the council's action so that people might have a chance to have their dogs vaccinated.

Boswell did not say just how the ordinance would be enforced, but he indicated the possibility of handling it entirely through the police department.

Orr suggested that the council ask the college to cooperate in the move to pick up untagged dogs. No definite action was taken on this proposal.

Building Products Club Sets Banquet

The Building Products Marketing club will hold a banquet at 6:30 p. m. Wednesday in the Memorial Student Center assembly room.

Gene Ebersole, executive vice president of Texas Lumbermans association; P. J. Goodnight, vice president Buell Lumber company of Dallas; I. Olshan, president of Olshan Demolishing company of Houston; R. V. Richards, co-owner of Richards and Krueger Lumber company of New Braunfels; and Marion Pugh, owner of Pugh Lumber company of College Station will be guests at the banquet.

All building products marketing majors or all those interested are to attend.

An open forum for questions relating to the building products marketing field will be held immediately after the banquet.

A&M Will Compete In Bridge Contest

A&M and 171 other colleges and universities in the country will compete in the National Intercollegiate Bridge tournament Feb. 18.

Teams at the school will play hands that have been prepared and mailed to them.

A&M winners in 1953 were Warren Sexton, James Rackel, Luke Senior Jr. and David Williams.

Custer Dies Again In Movie Tonight

The A&M Film society will show "They Died With Their Boots On" at 7:30 p. m. tonight in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

Starring Errol Flynn and Olivia De Havilland, the film is based on the life of Gen. G. A. Custer and his death at Little Big Horn.

The society was unable to get the foreign film originally scheduled for tonight.

Langford To Run For Mayor Again

College Station Mayor Ernest Langford and Councilmen Marion Pugh, Joe Sorrells, and A. P. Boyett have announced as candidates for re-election.

At the city council meeting last night Langford told the council he would run for mayor only if the three councilmen who come up for re-election would also run. Langford said he would not run if any of the three councilmen planned to run for mayor.

None of the councilmen up for re-election said they had planned to run for mayor. The three men



PRESS ASSOCIATION OFFICERS—Shirley Yancey (left center) of Kilgore college, first president of the Texas Junior College Association, looks over an edition of The Battalion with Helen Dillon of Tarleton State College, the association's secretary. John Cameron (left) of Arlington State college, vice president of the new group looks over Miss Yancey's shoulder as does Wayne Dean, A&M senior who was chairman for the Junior College Press conference.

Committee Postpones Publications Decision

College Plans Addition to New PE Building

Another building will definitely be added to the A&M physical education plant, said W. H. Badgett, manager of physical plants for the A&M system.

Bids for construction of the building, to be built instead of remodeling the present DeWare field house, will be examined by the board of directors at their April 26 meeting.

College officials hope the new building will be cheaper than remodeling DeWare field house.

The move was decided on when it was discovered that proposed changes in DeWare field house would cost nearly as much as construction of a completely new building.

Joe Orr jr., construction superintendent on the physical education building, said the proposed building would not be visible from inside the new building. He added that the only thing fans will see on the south wall of the new gym "for many years," will be the asbestos sheeting.

The proposed building is expected to cost around \$700,000, Badgett said. The new physical education building cost \$1.1 million.

Attached only by corridors to the south side of the new building, the proposed addition will have rooms for fencing, boxing, weight-lifting and other indoor sports.

Editors Argue Against White-Landiss Plan

The fight to save student publications from what campus editors fear is censorship rolled into action again yesterday and whipped down an eight point plan for a special committee over the college newspaper, magazines and yearbook.

The eight man group, appointed from the Student Life committee to find out if a publications committee is needed, voted to hold its decision until after Feb. 22. It was also decided to ask the SLC if Roland Bing, last year's director of Student Publications, now on leave of absence, should be invited to A&M to advise the group.

Bing, who wrote a letter to C. G. (Spike) White, group member and Student Activities director, recommending that action be postponed until next semester, is considered an expert on student publications problems. The next meeting of the SLC is on Feb. 22.

These decisions developed after verbal spankings were given to a plan presented by White and Dr. C. W. Landiss, group chairman.

The Landiss-White proposal advocated a committee to advise and assist the editors. It stated that no censorship would be used.

It would pass on the qualifications for editors and handle the financial end of publications work. Meetings would be held on the first Monday of each month and could be called by the chairman or at the request of two members. The committee would assist the SLC in supervising publications.

This committee would be made up of three student members of the SLC and three faculty members.

The director of Student Publications and the editors would serve as ex-officio members without vote. The publications director would be secretary.

Landiss said he drew up the functions. He said that they were just his ideas on how such a committee might work if it was ever decided one was needed. He said other group members could have brought suggestions.

Opposition came from a number of editors and D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department who had been invited in an advisory capacity.

Considered Incompetence

Jerry Bennett, asked what would happen if the editors did not follow the committee's advice. Landiss said such action could be considered incompetence. Editors can be removed for incompetence.

Burchard said this function might be understood to mean censorship of thought, instead of fact. However he explained he was not accusing anyone of trying to censor publications.

Earlier Burchard said censorship did not mean just marking out copy with a pencil.

Landiss said he did not mean the word "advice" in any manner other than helping the editors. The committee chairman said he thought that six people could sometimes reach a better decision on a subject than two. He was comparing the proposed publications committee with The Battalion and Aggieiland co-editors.

Landiss told The Battalion this morning that someone had pointed out the proposed power to assist the editors might lead to censorship. He asked that the work "assist" be removed from his recommendations.

He said he had not meant this word to imply possible censorship. He said he would never vote for such a committee unless an anti-censorship provision was included.

Barent C. (Dutch) Dutcher, Aggieiland co-editor, argued against not giving the editors and publications director a vote on the proposed committee. He explained that these men were the only ones who fully understood publications work. Dutcher said that if such a plan were adopted, the editors and publications director would only be "puppets."

Everett Besch, editor of The Southwestern Veterinarian said he thought such a committee might interfere with the present functions of the publications director.

Ed Stern, editor of the Agriculturist, pointed out that his magazine, The Commentator and The Engineer are already responsible to (See PUBLICATIONS, Page 6)

Many Uses Seen For New PE Plant

A&M's new \$1.1 million physical education plant is comparable in facilities and construction features to field houses costing from two to six times as much, said Joe Orr, jr. 45, construction superintendent on the job.

He told the College Station Lions club yesterday that the building should be ready for occupancy by March 1.

Farnsworth and Chambers, construction company on the job, will be working on finishing touches to the building until April 1, Orr said.

"A&M is getting a coliseum and a concert hall as well as an incomparable gymnasium for the price. When completed, the building is adaptable for basketball, tennis,

volleyball, gymnastics, concerts, assembly programs and other events," Orr said.

"The acoustics are good. They were included in original plans for the building. This is one of the best-planned buildings I have ever worked on," he said.

The building would be impractical for rodeos and stock shows because it would take 350 cubic yards of dirt to fill the floor to a depth of six inches, Orr said.

The building can be easily air-conditioned, Orr said. The only thing to be done in the way of remodeling would be the piping in of refrigerant and the addition of air conditioning units, he said.

Capacity of the building for spectator events is 9,000 persons. Basketball goals are of swing-up construction, Orr said.

It will take about a day to pick up and lay down the portable basketball floor which is now installed in the gym, Orr said.

"While Mr. Spence (manager of physical plants) was at Syracuse university last week, he saw a crew of eight men pick up and lay down a floor about half the size of this one in about two hours for each operation," said Orr. "It is a matter of the men working on the floor becoming accustomed to working with it," he said.

The floor is lined off for two basketball courts, two tennis courts, volleyball courts and badminton courts.

When asked by a member of the Lions club if the roof would blow away as has the one on the Rice gymnasium on several occasions, Orr said "nothing short of a tornado" would harm the roof on the new building.

Sophomores Start Sweetheart Filing

Filings began yesterday for sophomore class sweetheart.

The sweetheart will be selected from five finalists at the Sophomore ball, April 3. The five finalists will be selected from the pictures turned in at the office of student activities.

Deadline for turning in pictures will be Friday, March 19. There is no limit to the size or number of pictures turned in.

Included with the picture should be the girl's name, home address, age, height, weight, bust, waist, hips, eye color and hair color.

The name of the person turning in the picture and his dormitory address should also be with the picture.

Final judging will be on the basis of looks, personality and general attractiveness, said Jan Broderick, class social secretary.

Military Day Practice Review Set Thursday

There will be a practice review at drill period Thursday.

Army units will carry rifles, Sabers, guidons and the colors will be carried.

Class B uniform with helmet liners will be worn. Juniors, sophomores, and freshmen will wear khaki ties and belts. Senior boots will not be worn.

The review will be in preparation for the Military Day review, said Roy Sullivan, corps operations officer.

Philippine Specialists Take Training Here

Three Philippine vocational education specialists are spending three months here observing and studying Engineering Extension service methods in foreman and supervisor training.