

No Definite Word Received Here Yet On AF Graduates

There is still no definite word on whether or not A&M's graduating air force ROTC seniors will receive commissions.

The air science detachment here has tentatively scheduled all category 1 (pilot) and category 1-A (observer) cadets for commissions. They have no information from Air university on commissions for category 2 (technical) or category 3 (non-technical) cadets.

"We don't know who we'll be able to commission or when we'll find out," said Col. John A. Way, PAS&T.

Commissioning quotas are set by Air university, on information from the air force director of personnel.

Way said that at the first of the year, directives said 1,000 category 2 cadets from all over the country would receive commissions at graduation.

"I suppose that still stands, but I don't know how many of that number is our share," he said.

As plans are now, those cadets who have had four years of ROTC training and do not receive a commission will be given "certificates of completion."

These men will have the choice of waiting for draft call, or enlisting for two years in the air force as an airman third class.

An airman third class is the equivalent of a private first class. Enlisting as an airman third class means skipping the period as an airman recruit.

Men with certificates of completion would receive commissions in the reserve at the end of their active duty period.

Four Students To Do Summer News Work

Four journalism students from A&M will serve internships on Texas newspapers this summer.

These students are Jon Kinslow, Bob Boriskie, Jerry Sonnier and Al Bruton. Don Shepard, junior journalism major not an intern, will work as a reporter for the Victoria Advocate.

Kinslow will go to The Dallas Morning News and Boriskie will work for the San Angelo Standard Times. Sonnier will intern at the Kilgore News Herald, while Bruton will work at the Jacksonville Daily Progress. All the students except Bruton will be news interns. He will go into advertising.

There were 23 openings with newspapers in the state for nine colleges, said D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department. The internship program is sponsored by the Texas Daily Newspaper association.

Maj. Hoyl Ordered To European Post

Maj. Basil Hoyl, junior air force head, will go to Europe soon.

Hoyl will be connected with supplies for the United States air force in Europe on a three-year tour.

Hoyl has been at A&M four years. He worked with sophomores before being named junior air force head.

Landers, Goode Win Ag Awards

Roger Q. Landers, jr. and John Kert Goode have been chosen by the faculty of the School of Agriculture to receive the Faculty Achievement award for outstanding agriculture seniors for '53-'54.

The award is based on scholastic record, intramural activities, religious activities, character and leadership.

The award consists of a certificate which will be presented at the Awards Day convocation. In addition, their names will be placed on the permanent bronze Award of Merit plaque in the Agricultural building.

MSC Art Committee Enters Austin Show

The Memorial Student Center art gallery committee will take part in the Art Mart to be held in the Austin City coliseum May 8-9.

Each member will submit one painting at the two-day show.

By Henry Mitchell

A&M Site Result Of One-Man Battle

By HARRI BAKER
Battalion Co-editor

Brazos county got the A&M College of Texas by last-ditch efforts of one man—the man Mitchell hall is named for.

Henry Mitchell, who was running practically all the county offices at the time, was a member of a three-man committee selected by Bryan to try to get the college located here.

At the last minute, the other two members of the committee, W. A. Saylor and Spencer Ford, were unable to meet the commission from the state legislature.

Mitchell had to go alone, to wrestle with the powerful con-

tenders for the award—San Antonio, Austin, Waco, and others.

He managed to learn what bonus the county would have to give to get the college, but he thought it would be too high for the county to offer. He wired Mayor Downward of Bryan for instructions, but decided to act on his own when no instructions came back.

He wrote out a bid offering the necessary bonus, which was 2,250 acres of land, although he didn't know whether or not the people of the county would give the land.

His bid was accepted, on the condition that he could present titles to the land within 48 hours.

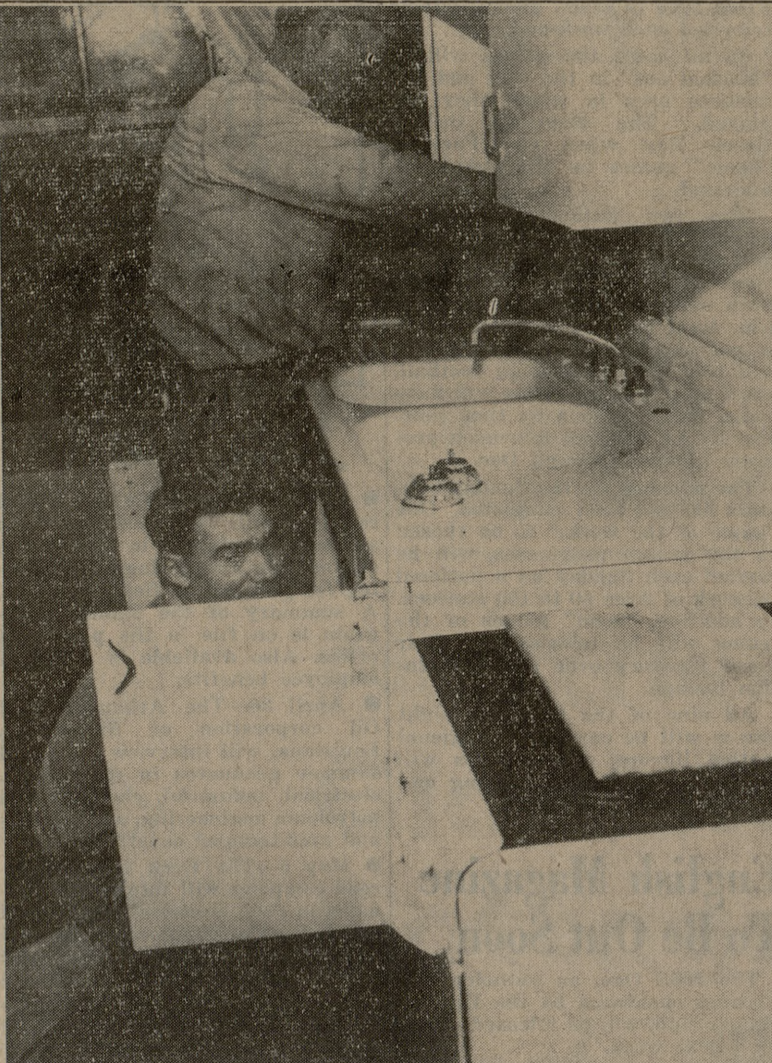
Mitchell had planned to go to New York to spend the summer, but he boarded the first train back to Bryan and enlisted the help of other citizens. The money was raised, the land bought, the deeds secured, and the land presented to the state commissioners by the specified 48 hours.

Mitchell, who is called the "Father of Brazos County," was asked to take charge of the county clerk's office when Brazos county was first organized, in 1841. The county seat then was the now non-existent Booneville.

For a while, he was running all the county offices, selling goods, trading in land and livestock, and teaching school, all at the same time.

When he married in 1888, he issued his own marriage license. Although he held all the county offices at one time or another, he never ran for office.

Besides county work, Mitchell was also the first Worshipful Master of the Brazos county Masons.



FOR MODERN LIVING—H. H. Johnson (standing) and Bob Hood (kneeling) install modern metal kitchen cabinets in the College View apartment of Johnnie and Alice Watkins. The cabinets are part of an overall improvement plan for the student apartments.

Red China Rejects US Orient Policy

GENEVA, April 28 (AP)—Red China's Premier Chou En-lai, admitted to the councils of the world's major powers for the first time, today rejected American policy in the Far East. He called for a program of "Asia for the Asians" with foreign troops and bases banned.

Chou spoke at the 19-nation Far Eastern conference after U. S. Secretary of State Dulles rejected North Korea's proposals for all-Korean elections on the ground they would transform the country into a Communist puppet state.

Outside the conference hall work progressed on first steps toward halting the bloodshed in Indochina. Russia suggested an immediate meeting of belligerents on the evacuation of "hundreds upon hundreds" of French wounded from besieged Dien Bien Phu.

The Soviet Union proposed also that representatives of the Communist-led Vietminh be admitted to the Geneva conference when it takes up the question of a peace settlement for Indochina.

In a bitter denunciation of the West, Chou ranged over a wide field. He demanded a standing alongside the Big Four, opposed rearmament of Western Germany and even demanded a ban on the H-bomb. He supported the proposals laid down yesterday by North Korea's Gen. Nam Il for settling the Korean problem.

Research Report Has Paper Figures

By JAMES R. ASHLOCK
Battalion Paper Editor

Statistical information and figures estimating out-of-state wholesale purchases of paper and paperboard products by Texas organizations are contained in the Engineering experiment station's latest research report.

Compiled from data gathered by James R. Bradley of the station's industrial development research group, the report features estimates on the amount spent yearly in Texas for wholesale purchase of each group of the most commonly used paper and paperboard products from out-of-state markets.

Also included is an introduction to the plant and raw material facilities available in Texas for the production of such products. The state's potential for marketing of these products is presented in detail.

Persons desiring copies of the report may have it free by writing for research report number 46, "Out-of-State Purchases of Paper and Paperboard Products by Texas Organizations, 1952," Engineering Experiment station, College Station.

Central Texas Twisters Sweep Through Sky

No Reported Damage Except From Hail

Two twisters that never touched ground and hail that damaged small grains, corn and young cotton gave weather-worried Central Texans new troubles Wednesday afternoon. The twisters swept through the sky east of Valley Mills toward Cayote in Bosque County and played out near West without causing any damage.

Damaging hail struck McGregor, Valley Mills and Crawford between 5 and 6 p.m.

At Crawford hail the size of hen eggs smashed plate glass windows in the business district and beat small grains, corn and cotton into the ground.

Mrs. Minnie Lou Roberts was admitted to Providence Hospital Wednesday night for treatment of head injuries and loss of blood after she was struck by hail-shattered glass at her home in Crawford. Dozens of broken windows were reported at other residences there.

At McGregor, where more than an inch of rain fell, marble-sized hail covered the ground and was feared to have damaged cotton.

At Valley Mills rain and hail accounted for more than three inches of moisture. The hail at Valley Mills was reported to have ranged upward to the size of golf balls.

Small hail was reported at China Spring, where .9 of an inch of rain was reported. Sheriff Clark Royal of Bosque County said the southern part of the county, between Mosheim and Valley Mills, received about an inch and a half of rain and some small soft hail which did little damage.

Rain amounted to little in Waco. Some .2 of an inch fell in North Waco and only a trace was reported on the west side of town.

Whitney had .6 of an inch of rain; Moody less than .25 inch; Lorena about a half inch in a slow shower; Bolton Bend, .2 inch, and .1 inch at Chalk Bluff.

At Rosebud a little more than .25 inch of rain was reported and electric power failed early in the evening.

West had a slight drizzle but not enough to measure.

No rain fell at Gatesville, Clifton, Belton, Temple, Hillsboro or Groesbeck.

The great, black cloud that dropped hail and rain in the Waco area could be seen as far away as Abilene, the Associated Press reported. It stretched 10 to 20 miles from Waco to Whitney slowly moving eastward.

News of the World

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—Rep. Coudert (R-NY), while admitting possible defeat, said yesterday he will insist on a show-down vote on his effort to prevent sending American troops to Indochina without Congress' approval. But Rep. Sikes (D-Fla.), protesting a proposed cut in army funds, told the House that "war may come to us in Indochina tomorrow." They expressed their views during debate on a bill to appropriate \$28,680,706,500 in new money for the defense department for the 12 months starting July 1.

ENTEBBE, Uganda—Queen Elizabeth II defied a Mau Mau death threat and flew to Uganda yesterday on her world tour. And thousands of Baganda tribesmen, ignoring nationalist demands that they stay away, turned out in a tremendous welcome to the young monarch. Elizabeth, all smiles, stepped from the British airliner which brought her to this British protectorate in East Africa from Aden, accompanied by her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh.

NEW YORK—Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell said yesterday the justice department is concerned about possible antitrust collusion in the multi-million dollar auto industry. His remarks followed by only a few days a disclosure by the justice department's anti-trust division that it is looking into four specific phases of the auto field. The division expressed concern with the growing concentration of production in the hands of a few big companies with a resultant shrinkage in business among the so-called independent motor firms.

AUSTIN—The Court of Criminal Appeals was told yesterday "It's time undeclared martial law in Duval county be stopped." E. B. Votaw, Beaumont attorney, made the statement. The argument was in a suit brought by members of a grand jury commission discharged by 79th District Judge A. S. Broadfoot in the Duval county domain of South Texas Political Boss George Marr.

WASHINGTON—United States Chamber of Commerce warned industry yesterday to be ready to protect itself from the "devastating new weapons" of modern war, and offered to take the lead in a program of planning. To get the campaign rolling, it called a "businessmen's conference on industrial defense in the atomic age" to be held here June 15. Military and mobilization officials will be invited to help develop the plans.

Senate Panel Investigates Army Reprisals

WASHINGTON, April 28—(AP)—In an atmosphere of ever-growing bitterness, the Senate's McCarthy-Pentagon investigators began delving today into whether Secretary of the Army Stevens "threatened reprisals" against a general for praising and cooperating with Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.).

This new line of inquiry developed near the end of a hectic day punctuated by irate exchanges between McCarthy and opponents—especially over new Army charges of de luxe treatment for a drafted aide of the Senator's, Pvt. G. David Schine.

The language got inflamed at that point. McCarthy cried "smear!" and called the televised hearings a "circus." Later he accused Stevens of "flagrant dishonesty," and the usually mild-mannered Army secretary flared back: "I deeply resent the suggestion."

McCarthy tangled, too, with Asst. Secretary of Defense H. Struve Hensel, protesting the number of generals surrounding Hensel in the hearing room and contending such high officers should not "dignify" the Pentagon official.

Reddening, the six-foot-four Hensel reared up and demanded—but did not get—an apology. Hensel—like Stevens and Army Counsel John G. Adams—is a key figure on the Pentagon side in its row with McCarthy and aides Roy M. Cohn and Francis P. Carr.

Ray H. Jenkins, special counsel to the Senate Investigations subcommittee, brought up the question of "threatened reprisals," naming Maj. Gen. Kirke Lawton, commander of the Army Signal Corps Center at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., as the general involved.

Quota System Abolished For Army-AF

The percentage quotas of enrolling students in air and army ROTC has been abolished by a joint agreement of the services.

This was the policy that said the army would have 56 per cent of the ROTC enrollment and the air force would have 44 per cent.

"The abolishment of the policy won't have any effect on A&M," said Col. Joe Davis, commandant. "Our enrollment in the two services will stay about the same."

The new policy leaves the setting of quotas up to the individual schools. If one service falls below a minimum size, the school has the responsibility of setting a quota.

"We haven't been pinched by the quota," said President David H. Morgan, "but we might have if it had continued as it was."

Guion To Install New Wider Screen

A new Cinemascope-type screen will be put in Guion hall during this summer, said Tom Puddy, manager.

This screen is the first of a series of improvements for Guion. The new anamorphic lens and amplifiers which are needed to show Cinemascope will be added when funds are available, Puddy said.

The new screen will be 40 feet by 16 feet. The present screen is 14 feet by 19 feet.

Guion is the only theater in this area which can show Cinemascope without extensive remodeling of its interior, said Puddy.

Junior Class Sells A&M Pennants

The junior class is selling A&M class pennants for all classes.

The maroon-and-white pennants are 15" by 40", and cost \$3.50. Profits go to the junior class fund.

The deadline for buying the pennants is Friday. They can be bought from first sergeants or sergeant majors in each dormitory. Non-military salesmen and their dormitories are Dick Chamblin, 4; Art Garner, 2; Hugh Lanktree, Bizzell; Martin Burkhead, Mitchell; and Giles Shann, Leggett.

The pennants which are 100 per cent wool, can be ordered with any class number on them.

Sigma Xi Honors 45 A&M Scientists

Research efforts of 45 A&M scientists have been formally recognized by the A&M Sigma Xi Chapter.

They will be honored with an initiation banquet in the ballroom of the Memorial Student Center at 7 p. m., Wednesday.

Fourteen scientists were promoted to full members; 14 are newly-elected full members, and 17 have been chosen associate members.

"The object of the Sigma Xi society is to encourage original investigation in science, pure and applied," said C. Kinney Hancock, secretary of the chemistry department.

Six Have Filed For Commission

Six persons filed Wednesday for election commission posts.

Filing will be conducted until May 5 in the office of student activities, said W. D. (Pete) Hardesty, business manager of student activities.

Qualifications for the election commission are a 1.0 grade point ratio and attendance at A&M for another year.

The election commission consists of five sophomores, five juniors, five seniors and five members appointed from the student senate.

The election will be held May 12.

Those filing were Glenn Buell, James Caffey, Dave Lane, C. N. Powell, Ted Lewis and Phil Spears.

Ice Cream Vendors Placed In Dorms

Ice cream machines were installed Monday in dormitory 14, Walton hall, Puryear hall, and Hart hall.

Sales were good the first day of operation, said W. D. (Pete) Hardesty, business manager of student activities.

Students are operating these machines and get a percentage of the profit.

Student concessions installed the machines. If they are profitable other ice cream machines will probably be installed, said Hardesty.

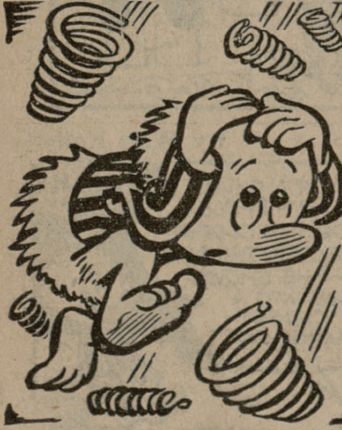
Pan Americans Present Fiesta

The Pan American club will present a tropical fiesta in the ping pong area of the MSC Saturday, May 1, from 8:30 p. m. until midnight.

The floor show will be Latin American music furnished by the Capers Combo for dancing. They will also have Norma, a Spanish dancer.

According to Rafael A. Nunez, president of the Pan American Club, the admission price is \$1 and the public is invited.

Weather Today



SPRING SHOWERS

Considerable cloudiness today with occasional thunder storms in vicinity. Tigh yesterday 86. Low this morning 69.