



GOING DOWN—A familiar sight for the past 67 years on the A&M campus is now being torn down. The building was built as a result of poor management in the mess hall.

## Ex-POW Dickenson Is Given Ten Years

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WASHINGTON—(AP)—Cpl. Edward S. Dickenson was convicted Tuesday and sentenced to ten years' hard labor on charges of informing on his comrades in a Korean prisoner-of-war camp and currying favor with his Red Chinese captors.

Both the conviction and the prison sentence are subject to automatic consideration by an Army review board, which may act in about a month.

The unprecedented court-martial of the 23-year-old farm boy from Cracker's Neck, Va., ended late in the afternoon of its twelfth day. Dickenson was tried on charges of collaborating with the Chinese Communists and informing the Reds about the escape plans of a buddy, former Pfc. Edward M. Gaither of Philadelphia. He was convicted on both counts—the first time a war prisoner had ever been so tried and convicted.

Hollow-eyed and haggard, Dickenson stared gloomily at the maroon-carpeted floor as the verdict was returned after ten and a half hours of deliberation by eight high-ranking Army officers. The soldier's blond bride of four months, Kate, fought down tears as she chewed nervously at her fingernails.

Dickenson himself said nothing after the verdict was rendered but his attorney, Guy Emery, a retired West Point colonel, said he thought the court's decision was "a travesty" and that "the deck had been stacked."

Emery and Dickenson "took it pretty hard."

Dickenson is one of twenty-three American prisoners of war who refused repatriation and chose to stay with the Reds after the Korean armistice. But he and one other, Claude Batchelor of Kermit, Texas, later changed their minds and chose to return to this country.

The trial of Dickenson had been widely regarded as a test, and his conviction might establish a precedent for bringing collaboration charges against other former prisoners against whom the Army has gathered somewhat similar information.

In a related development, the Air Force Tuesday cleared sixty-nine officers and airmen of wrongdoing while they were prisoners of war, and said none of the eighty-three whose cases were considered by a board of five generals would be required to face a court-martial. The fourteen not completely cleared were ordered to show cause why they should be permitted to remain in the service.

Nine of the fourteen and twenty-seven of the sixty-nine who were cleared allegedly made false germ warfare confessions while they were prisoners. The exact nature of the other charges against the men was not disclosed.

### Tutt Elected Editor Of Agriculturist

F. E. (Sonny) Tutt has been elected to be next year's editor of the *Agriculturist*.

Tutt is a junior animal husbandry major from Raton.

He was chosen during a special meeting of the Agriculture council.

## Filings Close Here For Democratic Race

Filing for the July 24, Democratic primary has closed.

Candidates who have filed in Brazos county are Olin E. Teague, unopposed in the race for sixth district representative to congress; Joseph W. Hale, for judge of Court of Civil appeals of the tenth supreme judicial district; John M. Barron, for county attorney; and Raymond Nolan and Glen A. (Buddy) Williams for county commissioner of precinct 1.

John R. Grace, W. C. (Bill) Davis, W. T. McDonald, and Davis Grant have filed for district judge of the 85th judicial district.

A. S. Ware, William David Bunting, A. B. Syptak, J. W. Hamilton and Norton R. Burkhalter have filed for county school superintendent.

## All Seniors Should Register With FSA

All graduating seniors should register with the Former Students association before leaving A&M.

The office of student activities said seniors should leave their name and address with the placement office, pay the Fiscal office, check with the registrar's office and leave name and address so the Aggieland '54 can be sent out. All this should be done before graduation.

Senior favors may be purchased from student activities office.

## Pfeuffer Hall Being Razed After 67 Years

Pfeuffer hall is going back to dust. The old building that was built as a result of poor management in the college mess hall has served A&M 67 years.

Now, it is being razed. The building is named after George Pfeuffer, president of the A&M board of trustees, 1885-86, and a merchant in New Braunfels at that time. Pfeuffer was dissatisfied with losses in the mess hall, so he requested permission to do some of the buying for them.

This permission was granted by the board, and in that year the mess hall made a profit of \$10,000. This money was used to erect the dorm that has borne his name since 1887.

"It's a pity that some of these bricks aren't used to erect a monument for George Pfeuffer," said D. B. Cofer, college archivist. "The story of Pfeuffer hall was given me by the late Walter Wiprecht, who taught chemistry and physics here for two years and who was business manager of A&M from 1914 to 1937."

## Junior Class Sells 318 A&M Pennants

The junior class sold 318 class pennants ranging from the class of '27 to the class of '57, said Wallace Eversberg, chairman of the pennant selling committee.

The pennants were sold for \$3.50 each. About \$150 was made from the sales.

"Val Canon did most of the work and should be given most of the credit for the sales being successful," Eversberg said.

The pennants will be sold again next fall, he said.

## News of the World

By the ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—Sen. John J. Sparkman started off with a majority over three opponents in first returns from yesterday's (Tuesday) Alabama Democratic senatorial primary, one of five state primaries held over the nation. The others were in Ohio, Indiana, Florida, and New Mexico. In the only other contest of national interest—in Ohio—veteran Rep. George H. Bender went into a 3,000 vote lead over Ohio House Speaker William Saxbe for the Republican senatorial nomination for the remaining two years of the term of the late Sen. Robert A. Taft.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—The U. N. Security council batted down Russian and Arab objections yesterday and voted to have a general debate on the tense border problems between Israel and Jordan. The balloting came after the council had wrangled for six meetings over a month's time on how to tackle opposing Israeli and Jordanian claims.

WASHINGTON—An alleged "secret and confidential" letter from J. Edgar Hoover, warning of a highly dangerous security situation at Ft. Monmouth, N.J., touched off a new uproar in the McCarthy-Pentagon hearings yesterday. The dispute arose after the army, and the Democrats on the Senate investigations subcommittee, blocked a Republic drive to cut the eleventh hearings short and maybe wind them up this week with Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) as the final witness.

WASHINGTON—Secretary of State Dulles returned from Europe last night to report to President Eisenhower and congressional leaders on his so-far-unsuccessful drive to get united action to stem communism in Southeast Asia. Back from the Asiatic peace talks at Geneva, Switzerland, Dulles told newsmen the conferences with the Reds "are developing just about as expected."

WASHINGTON—The Republican leader in the Senate, Sen. Knowland of California, said yesterday he favored amending the Taft-Hartley labor law to give states more power to control labor-management relations. Knowland announced he would support a controversial state's right amendment sponsored by Sen. Goldwater (R-Ariz.) and that he was "inclined to believe" it would be adopted by the Senate.

WASHINGTON—Sen. Flanders (R-Vt.) reported that President Eisenhower plans further diplomatic moves in the Indochinese crisis and that these negotiations will determine whether any military action is taken. The President, Flanders told newsmen, does not favor American military operations in Indochina unless this country "has the support of the people of that region."

## Aggie Follies Ticket Sales Now Underway

Tickets for the Aggie Follies are on sale in Student Activities office on the second floor of Goodwin hall.

They will also be sold at the door Friday and Saturday.

The Follies is an annual talent show presented the Friday and Saturday night before Mothers Day. Show time will be 7:30 both nights.

Tickets are 75 cents each for the Friday show and \$1 for the Saturday show.

The proceeds from the Follies are used for scholarships and outstanding professor awards.

The Aggieland orchestra and the Singing Cadets will open the program. Jimmy Harrison will play his guitar and "The Great Jerry" Schnepf will present his magic act. The Aggie Ramblers western band and the Fish Drill Team will round out the first half of the show.

"A Night in the Inn," a one act play by Lord Dunsany, will be presented by the Aggie Players. Rodney Pirtle will play his ukulele. Bud (Dean H. W.) Barlow's Brazos Bottom Boogie Busters will close the program.

David Mitchell will provide intermission organ music. Don Friend will be the master of ceremonies.

Hollie Ericsoe is chairman of the Follies committee. Bill Young, Jim Milligan, Phil Mockford are on the committee. Barlow and C. K. Esten, director of the Aggie Players, are serving as advisors.

Members of the stagecraft class are handling the stage management.

## Nixon Will Take Ring Dance Photos

Senior Ring dance pictures will be taken this year by Paul Nixon of Fort Worth, said Gilbert Stribbling, senior class social secretary.

The pictures will be the heavier mat type, rather than the glossy type which has been used in the past, he said.

## Weather Today



STILL CLEAR

Continued clear today and tonight. High temperature yesterday 71. Low this morning 48.

## Need Employes

## A&M May Supply Pakistan With Aid

A&M will supply technical aid for the new nation of Pakistan if enough A&M employes with "missionary spirit" can be found.

"The only approach in that country is in long-range education," said D. W. Williams, vice chancellor for agriculture, "but those who go will have to have a missionary spirit."

Williams, who handles foreign aid for the A&M system, spoke to the system board of directors Saturday on his recent trip to Pakistan.

"That is an area in which our government needs friends," he said. Pakistan is 18 miles from Russia.

The proposed aid program would require eight specialists—one in agriculture, one in veterinary medicine, two in engineering, and two in teacher training. They would probably stay a year.

Williams said the system's policy on aid to other countries was to wait for the other country to ask for aid.

"We won't go in unless they approach us and say they need help," he said.

Almost all of the world's areas of conflict, problems and unrest are between the two 30 degree parallels, Williams said.

"Texas is a leader to these countries because Texas is the only state that is largely in that area," Williams said.

## Portable Unit Records Weather

A portable weather recording unit at Bryan air force base is currently making a study of upper air data in the College Station-Bryan vicinity.

"Information about wind speed, temperature, pressure and humidity in the upper air is recorded through the use of balloons," said Capt. Godson of the weather station at BAFB. The balloons used in recording this data are approximately eight feet in diameter with a metal box containing the recording instruments attached.

The unit is the only one in this area making such a study. There are other units of this type at San Antonio and Lake Charles, Godson said.

## Estes Elected Commentator Head

Jerry Estes, junior journalism major from Wichita Falls, was elected editor of The Commentator for 1955 Monday.

He was elected by the Arts and Science Council.

Bob Hendry, present editor of The Commentator, said Estes has worked hard with him in all phases of the magazine publication this year. Estes had two years experience with The Battalion before going to work for The Commentator.