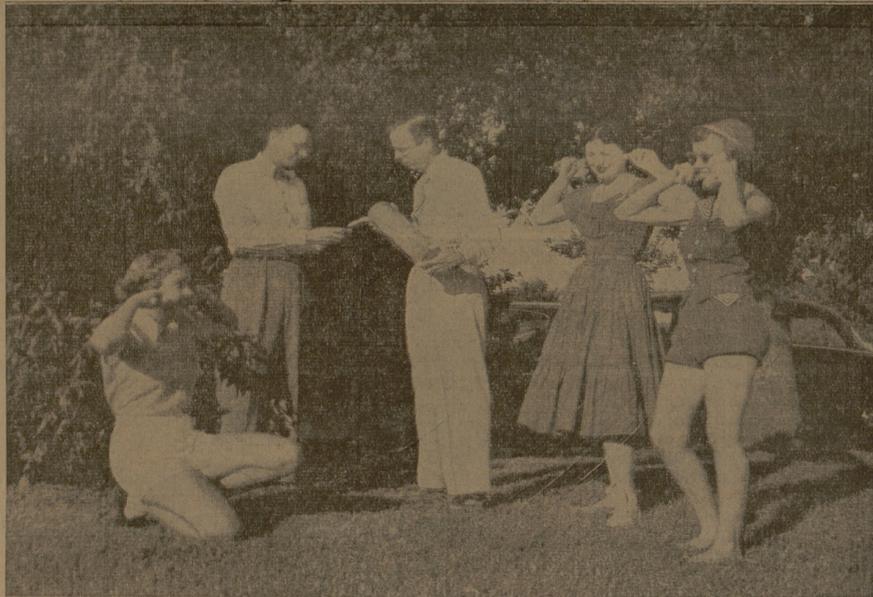


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**OVER WITH A BANG**—The Community Supper planned for Friday night would not be complete without the traditional fire works. Ran Boswell, City Manager and Bob Cherry (right), Chairman of the Picnic Committee check the fire works while the girls, left to right, Martha Ergle, Reba McDermott and Ann Hickerson hold their ears and watch.

## Thirty-Eight Known Dead After Floods In Border City

Thirty-eight were known dead Wednesday night as the falling floodwaters of the treacherous Rio Grande drained away from the Mexican city of Piedras Negras. First definite reports coming from the stricken city of 35,000 across the river said there were

### Electricity Off Tuesday Night

The electric power in the south part of College Station went off for about one hour Tuesday night. L. P. Dulaney, who was in charge of the plant at the time, said that the power failure was caused by a burned out oil cut-out. He does not know what caused the cut-out to burn out.

### CHURCH FORGIVES

FLINT, Mich.—(AP)—The Huron Street Methodist Church board voted to forgive whoever took three containers of gasoline from their Sunday school bus. The three filled cans were found later with a note attached. It read: "Dear Sirs: I have taken this gas, but now I am returning it with regrets. Please forgive me. P.S. It won't happen again."

## Guatemala Army Junta Enforces Uneasy Peace

GUATEMALA CITY—(AP)—The anti-Communist ruling junta rushed troops Wednesday to Escuintla, a hotbed of Communists, thirty miles south of Guatemala City, where a top Red leader was reported plotting an uprising among farm workers. Other Communist and leftist chiefs still at large also were reported bent on stirring up troubles. These reports came as Col. El-fego Monzon, junta leader, and the rebel chief, Col. Carlos Castillo Armas, both intensely anti-Communist, flew to neighboring neutral El Salvador for their peace conference. The Salvador talks are expected to give this country its fourth government in less than a week.

Guatemala City was calm and joyous Wednesday with the 12-day shooting conflict halted under a cease-fire.

For the first time in weeks the radios were playing American jazz—even the former Communist station. The main cloud on the horizon appeared to be the threatened trouble at Escuintla, which long has been regarded as a center of Communist subversion.

Some uprisings also have developed among Red indoctrinated farm workers. Word reached here Wednesday that a police chief was stoned to death Tuesday near the village of Pinula. Trouble also was

sixty-five persons in hospitals with more injured and disabled coming in continually.

The report came from Sgt. Earl Gossett of the Texas Highway Patrol after flying to the city and talking to the Surgeon General of Mexico, Salvador H. Vela.

Earlier there had been unconfirmed reports of a death toll from 200 to 500.

Vela told Gossett that at least 15,000 residents of Piedras Negras were driven from their homes and from 6,000 to 7,000 were still living in the hills around the city without water, food or shelter. He said 80 per cent of the city's homes were flooded, with 40 per cent of them destroyed. Many of the

## Hospital Reports Quiet Summer

This summer only four students have been treated in the college hospital. A sprained ankle with cuts was the most serious of the cases treated.

The students treated were Alvin B. Gainer, Leroy D. Matthy, Morris F. Rogers and George L. Trabing.

homes were of adobe with thatch roofs.

The surgeon general, one of a group of high Mexican officials who were rushed to Piedras Negras, said about 200 cars and trucks were washed into the main section of the city.

Water purification equipment, medical supplies and other relief needs were being furnished Piedras Negras by both the Mexican and United States Governments.

The only communication between the sister cities was by plane or helicopter.

The new death count made a total of at least fifty-five dead in the wild Rio Grande flood—mightiest in history—and in the downpours and flash floods inland that started the usually sluggish river on a rampage.

No casualties were reported at Laredo and Nuevo Laredo, 100 miles down stream, after the crest passed there today but about 7,000 homeless refugees huddled in the high hills south of the Mexican city tonight.

Catarino Estrada of the Mexican Red Cross reported that in Nuevo Laredo itself there was no water, no power and a shortage of medical supplies.

## Registrar Has New Catalogues

Catalogues for the school years 1954-55 and 1955-56 are now available at the registrar's office.

The catalogues are now being published for two year periods. The bulletins were previously published every year.

## Mumps, Measles Lead Illnesses

Mumps and measles are the most predominate diseases in College Station with 14 cases of each, reported the Brazos County Health Unit.

There were also two cases of strep throat, one case of infant hepatitis and one case of polio for the week ending June 26.

### THEY'RE TWINS

KEARNY, N.J.—(AP)—The Donnellan twins Frederick G. and Edward F., 48, went to work for the same firm at Boston on the same day 30 years ago and were transferred here together during World War II to work on radar equipment. Both are test set technicians.

Each built his own radio equipment and operates a ham radio station. Each is interested in photography and sailing.

Both wear glasses—and their hair is receding in about the same proportion.

## Fireworks To Highlight Local Picnic Tomorrow

Highlight of tomorrow's Third Annual College Station Community Picnic will be a spectacular fireworks display.

Bob Cherry, picnic committee-man, said yesterday that some of the newest arrangements in fireworks displays will be included in the colorful exhibition. Included will be patterns depicting the American flag, shooting stars, the

rising sun, a blazing sun, the Betsy Ross shell, and loud aerial bombs.

The picnic is sponsored annually by the College Station Recreation Council in commemoration of July 4. It is being held tomorrow since the Fourth falls on Sunday, and people wishing to attend the picnic will still have advantage of the long weekend.

According to Cherry, over 2000 persons are expected for the picnic and \$100 fireworks display. He

said that everyone is to bring his own lunch, and that cold drinks and popcorn will be sold at the picnic by the Recreation Council.

"We would like for everyone to buy their drinks at the picnic," Cherry urged. "The finances taken in will help to pay for the fireworks and other expenses."

The picnic will be held on the Consolidated High School football field. Raymond Rogers, director of the fireworks exhibition, says every precaution is being taken to assure the safety of the onlookers.

Ran Boswell, city manager, said that last year's fireworks were so impressive and loud that persons from College Hills and College View were attracted by the noise and light and came to watch the show.

Begun as an annual affair three years ago, the picnic shows evidence of becoming more popular with each year. Last year's crowd was larger than the first, and tomorrow's expected attendance indicates an even larger crowd this year.

## Six Cars Barred For Violations Of Parking Rules

Six cars have been barred from the campus since June 9 because of excessive parking violations.

Robert O. Murray, counselor for non-military students, said that students whose cars are restricted cannot bring their car on the campus for three months after the date of restriction order.

He pointed out that the restriction covers the area between the following four highways: (1) highway No. 6 to the east, (2) Jersey Street (going past the golf course, Episcopal Church, and Southside Shopping Center) to the south, (3) old highway No. 6 to the West, and (4) Sulphur Springs Road to the north." He said that parking anywhere inside these four paved roads is considered a violation of the restriction.

Murray said that should anyone violate this restriction in any way, he would recommend that serious disciplinary action be taken by the dean of men.

## Mystery, Comedy Next Showings At Grove Movies

"Terror on a Train" will be shown in the Grove at 8 p.m. tonight. Glenn Ford and Anne Vernon will play the leading roles.

"Bonzo Goes to College," starring Maurine O'Sullivan, Edmund Gwen, Charles Drake and Bonzo, a trained chimpanzee, will be shown Monday night.

The Grove opens at 7 p.m. and the movies start at 8 p.m.

Admission for those without season tickets or student activities cards is 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

## Both Parties Lose Income Tax Cuts

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Senate defeated both Republican and Democratic plans for an income tax cut Wednesday and thus produced a big victory for the Eisenhower administration, which says the budget can't stand any more such reductions now.

The votes were 49-46 in both instances but weren't identical except for the total.

Defeat for the Republican plan came at the hands of 47 Democrats, Sen. William Langer, R-ND, and Sen. Wayne Morse, Ind-Ore, against a solid lineup of 46 GOP senators.

The Democrats' plan fell before a combination of 45 Republicans and four Democrats—Harry Byrd of Virginia, Spessard Holland of Florida, W. A. Robertson of Virginia, and Edwin Johnson of Colorado. Supporting it were 43 Democrats, plus Langer, Morse and M. R. Young, R-ND.

Sen Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., was the only absent senator.

Briefly, here is what the opposing sides maneuvered over in a long and busy session:

The Democratic plan. Offered by Sen. Walter George, D-Ga., it would boost all personal exemptions from \$600 to \$700, but the tax benefit on each \$100 of additional exemption would be limited to \$25. Thus, a man and wife with one child could get a reduction of as much as \$75 a year.

## Fountain Room Will Stay Open

To accommodate persons wanting refreshments after the movies at the Grove, the fountain room of the Memorial Student Center will remain open until later hours, according to Wayne Stark, MSC director.

In the past, the fountain room has closed at 9 o'clock. Stark says it will still close at 9 o'clock on Friday nights, since there are no movies shown then. He added that, in the future, the fountain room will remain open in case of any special night events.

## Math Instructor To Get Doctor's Degree At Rice

Howard Curtis, instructor of mathematics, will take a leave of absence this fall to attend Rice Institute on a graduate assistantship to work toward his PhD degree.

He intends to teach and study part time. Curtis said he will be gone for two or three years.

He has been at A&M for four years, doing graduate work for the last two years.

Curtis is a native of Texas, his present home being Ft. Smith, Arkansas. He received his B.S. degree from Oklahoma University in civil engineering, and his M.A. degree from the University of Arkansas in mathematics.

Upon his return, he will assume duties as an assistant professor of mathematics.

## Class of '38 Aggie Returns to Campus After 15 Years

Tandy P. Chenault, class of '38, returned to Aggieland after a 15-year absence. He was on the campus last week and his first impression was the hard top roads on the campus and the surrounding community.

He said he was completely lost because of the new buildings and the disappearance of the gravel roads. "I am very impressed with the friendliness and the courtesy of which the community has showed me," said Chenault.

"I do not feel like I lost a coach, but have gained one with Paul (Bear) Bryant coming to Texas A&M. Bryant was 'my coach' in Kentucky, although I was against him, and now he is still 'my coach,' but I am for him," said Chenault in expressing his approval of Bryant's coming to A&M.

Chenault and his wife were visiting here from Mount Sterling, Kentucky, where he is in the jewelry business.

### FEUD IS COSTLY

NEW BEDFORD, N.J.—(AP)—Fred Lowitz paid \$2,500 for a strip of land worth about \$100 by his own estimate. He just wanted to be sure the 30-foot lot didn't fall into the hands of a neighbor. The neighbors haven't spoken to each other for years. Their homes are on adjacent sides of the strip offered for sale by the township. The tract was formerly a railroad right of way.

"I would have paid up to \$5,000 for it just to make sure they didn't get it," Lowitz said.

## Air Conditioning For Library May Be Put In Soon

To add to the many improvements already completed or under way at the Cushing Library, the long awaited air-conditioning project is being planned. Specifications are being drawn up by J. W. Hall, Jr., consulting engineer in Bryan.

It is expected that bids will be taken and presented to the Board of Directors at their September meeting here on the campus. This means that work cannot begin before October or November of this year.

Since the building was designed without air conditioning in mind, many construction problems had to be overcome in the planning stages. This has taken considerable time.

The present plan is to air condition all of the building except the basement and the stack levels. The stack wing is to be added to in the future. Three additional levels of bookshelves will be installed, increasing the capacity of the library by 100,000 volumes.

Before this work can proceed, it will be necessary to stabilize the slab upon which the stack levels rest. Since the slab is independent of the foundation, it was not reinforced when the building was raised last fall. This stabilization work may get underway later this summer.

## Newsom Requests Absence Leave For PhD Work

D. E. Newsom, assistant professor of journalism, has asked for a year's leave of absence to do work for a graduate degree at Oklahoma A&M.

He will be seeking a doctor's degree in education.

Newsom, a specialist in advertising and typography, has been with the journalism department for five years.

"He is considered one of the half-dozen best young advertising teachers in the country," said D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department.

Two years ago Newsom was awarded an annual Battalion appreciation award for faculty members.

### TIME TO DUCK

DAVENPORT, Iowa (AP)—An annual rivalry goes on here without decision. The swans in Vander Veer Park lagoon attack the semi-tame ducks which share the pond with them.

The swans presumably are trying to clear a nesting area. But the ducks plunge under water when attacked, swim submerged 10 or 15 feet and come up again out of sight of the attacker.

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