

# The Battalion

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## President Pledges Swift Retaliation To Red Aggression

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Eisenhower held out the hand of cooperation to the new Democratic-controlled Congress yesterday along with a massive legislative program keyed to warding off "the catastrophe of nuclear holocaust."

In a message to the lawmakers on the State of the Union, a message that bid strongly for political harmony and good will, Eisenhower saw a heartening hope for world peace, and progress toward the ultimate "rule of freedom and justice."

Yet, he said that the peace of today is insecure in the face of "military machines and ambitions of the Soviet-Communist bloc" that create sobering problems and world uneasiness.

Democrats and Republicans broke in with applause for a promise that "America's response to aggression will be swift and decisive." Russian ambassador Georgi N. Zarubini sat stone-faced and motionless.

Among a number of the Congress members who heard the President deliver his message in person in the House chamber, there was something less than exuberant enthusiasm for a military program that will cut down manpower and place increased dependence on airpower and new weapons of "rapid and destructive striking power."

Several key senators and House members adopted a "show-me" attitude on the manpower question.

But for the presidential offer of cooperation, from himself and every government agency, in meeting the problems of perilous times there was a loud demonstration of approval.

With the shift of congressional control to the Democrats, Eisenhower said, both parties now are "on trial." He called on them to avoid paralysis and "indecision approaching futility."

## Aggie Film Travels During Christmas

The film "We Are the Aggies", about student life at A&M, can be obtained by students or others for public showing from the office of student activities.

A&M students have shown the film at high schools in Los Angeles, Cincinnati, Laredo, Wellington, and Cuba over the holidays.

Anyone who wishes to show the 16 mm movie to a club, school, or organization may make reservations for it at the student activities office as far in advance as possible. Nine copies of the film are available.

He urged: "Let the general good be our yardstick on every great issue of our time."

In the domestic legislation field, Eisenhower asked such measures as a 90-cent minimum wage, new tariff-cutting powers, federal health aids, revision of labor laws, a lowered voting age, "affirmative action" for more school facilities, and statehood for Hawaii.

Behind the President as he spoke was a concrete demonstration of at least a temporary political truce. Side by side on the rostrum sat Democratic Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas and Republican Vice President Richard M. Nixon, who crossed swords vigorously in the 1954 political wars.

## Begins in February

## Defense School Scheduled

First classes in a school for full-time civil defense workers are scheduled here the week of Feb. 13, according to Col. H. R. Brayton of the Texas Engineering extension service.

The training will be given in Disaster Village, 26 acres near the campus used in the annual Firemen's Training school. In this area are one, two, and three-story



**SHE'S MARRIED**—Roy McConnell, sophomore from Dallas, pauses to talk to the Memorial Student Center's new main desk receptionist, Mrs. Iva Ann Bell. (You're right, there is absolutely no reason for running this picture, except that Mrs. Bell is very pretty.)

structures erected to resemble bombed-out buildings. Brayton will direct the course, which is sponsored by the Office of Defense and Disaster Relief in Austin.

It is tentatively planned to have workers from the three critical target areas in Texas—Dallas, Fort Worth and Houston—attend the first week-long classes. Instructors will be men who have

completed similar training at the Federal Civil Defense administration school in Olney, Md.

Trainees from cities and major industries will be selected to attend the school by the state headquarters in Austin.

Other sessions of the school are planned each month, according to Brayton, under a set schedule through November.

Trainees will operate in eight-man teams in realistic drills and will be taught the latest techniques in rescue work.

Students will receive instructions on operation of specially designed rescue trucks, which are equipped with more than 100 types of emergency gear. The vehicles also have two-way radios for contact with local police and fire departments, county sheriff's offices and the state highway patrol.

Permanently assigned for use in the school are rescue trucks, emergency and communications equipment valued at more than \$50,000.

## RV's Will Parade For Gov. Shivers

The Ross Volunteers will march in the Governor's inauguration parade Jan. 18, according to Joe Bob Walker, RV commander.

Walker said the RV's have made definite plans to appear in two other parades—Mardi Gras, held in New Orleans, Feb. 19-22; and Holiday in Dixie in Shreveport, April 27-May 11.

The RV banquet and dance to be held April 2, and the Aggie Muster, April 21, are also being planned, he said.

Walker also said the RV's may take part in parades in San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Beaumont.

## Weather Today

The weather outlook for today is overcast skies with occasional light showers in the afternoon and evening.

## For TEES

## Math Machine in Use

A machine capable of providing almost instantaneous solutions of intricate mathematical problems in research and industry is now in the Texas Engineering Experiment station.

N. F. Rode, research engineer, supervised development of this electronic analog computer—a machine which solves differential equations. It is in laboratory use here.

Such machines, engineers explain, have special electronic circuits which perform the mathematical operations of addition, multiplication, differentiation and integration. These circuits adjust themselves on the particular equation, or systems of equations, to be solved.

The name "analog" is derived from the fact that the mathematical dependent variable is represented in the machine by a voltage,

while the independent variable is represented by real time.

Voltages in the electronic circuits vary with time in proportion to the variation of the dependent variable with respect to the independent variable of the mathematical problem.

## Abbott Attending Washington Meet

Dean of the College J. P. Abbott is in Washington today to discuss with educators from eleven other states the need for safety education for school children.

Abbott is a member of the National Commission for Safety Education of the National Education association, which is holding its first executive meeting of the new year. The meeting will end tomorrow.

## Senate Recommends Insurance for Autos

### Recommendation Sent To Campus Security

The Student Senate last night recommended that all student and staff member automobiles be required to have public liability insurance before being licensed to drive on the A&M campus.

The senate also officially disapproved of the wearing of letter jackets from other schools by civilian students, and approved of the present student activity fee system.

The recommendation on automobile insurance, which the Senate adopted "in an effort to protect A&M students", will be forwarded to the Student Life committee and the Campus Security office for further consideration.

The recommendation is that all drivers have the liability insurance required by the State of Texas, or not be given a campus license. The state requires \$10,000 personal liability insurance and \$5,000 property insurance.

The senate had no suggestions on how the ruling could be enforced or administered. The recommendation had been suggested to the senate by the Civilian Student council.

The senate voted to go on record as saying civilian students should not wear athletic letter jackets from schools other than A&M, whether high school or college.

The action was referred to the Civilian Student council, which had suggested it to the senate.

The senate disapproved another recommendation from the Civilian Student council, which had suggested that the items included in the student activity fee be available individually at the reduced price offered in the activity fee.

After a discussion on sportsmanship, the senate voted to charge the welcoming committee, headed by Charlie Seely, with responsibility for sportsmanship on the A&M campus.

The campus beautification committee, headed by Ray LaCour, reported that the college planning committee was considering sodding the main drill field and providing an underground watering system, but couldn't take action while the annual bonfire was still being built there.

The senate deferred discussion on moving the bonfire location until the senators could talk to the students. Proposed new locations are the practice field behind Duncan hall, the pasture across from the golf course at the East Gate, and across from the veterinary hospital.

## Teague To Head Congress Group

College Station's Olin (Tiger) Teague, 6th district Congressman, has been elected chairman of the Texas congressional delegation.

He succeeds Clark Fisher of San Angelo.

Teague, an A&M former student, class of 1932, has been active on the House's veterans affairs committee.

## Polio Campaign To Hold Parade Tomorrow

The 1955 Brazos county March of Dimes campaign will be boosted with a parade at 2 p.m. Saturday. Maj. Robert T. Willets, of the Military Science department is in charge, assisted by Mrs. John Perry, co-chairman of the polio drive.

The parade will start at 19th and Main streets in Bryan. The order of march will be local girl and boy scouts, Bryan air force band, H&S section of 386th armored engineers of the national guard, Allen Academy band, and girls from College Station and Bryan high schools.

An elephant and numerous floats will also be featured in the parade.

The local March of Dimes campaign opened last Tuesday. The goal this year is \$20,000, and campaign headquarters is in the United Furniture store in Bryan. Mrs. Perry and Mrs. Lucille Foster are co-chairman for this year's drive.

Contributions can be taken or mailed to the headquarters, or put into special plastic coin jars in different stores. Envelopes will be mailed to potential contributors also.

Jan. 22 the Promenaders Square Dance club of Bryan will hold their annual March of Dimes Jamboree in DeWare field house. Manning Smith, nationally known folk dance leader, will be master of ceremonies for the dance and many local and out-of-town callers will be available.

No admission will be charged for those who come either to dance or watch, but everyone will be expected to contribute to the March of Dimes campaign. Refreshments will be served on a "give what you can" basis.

Mrs. Lola Thompson, club secretary, is general chairman for the dance.

## Total Fees For Spring Will Be \$226

Total fees for the spring semester will be \$226.00 for students who are Texas residents.

This includes matriculation, medical service, room, board, and laundry.

Students who did not pay the optional activities fee the first semester may pay it this semester. It will be \$11.55 for the spring semester.

The first installment fee, for students who would rather pay in four installments, will be \$61.75.

The fees are payable at registration, Feb. 4 and 5, and checks should be made out to the College Fiscal Department.

## Symphony Group To Hold Concert

The A&M Symphony Orchestra is planning a concert on the campus in late February or March, according to Bill Turner, director.

Membership of the symphony is composed of students and people in the community. There are still places for several more members, Turner said.

## Naval Team Gives Examinations Here

A team from the Dallas Naval air station will be here Monday through Wednesday to give examinations to students wishing to enter the naval air cadets.

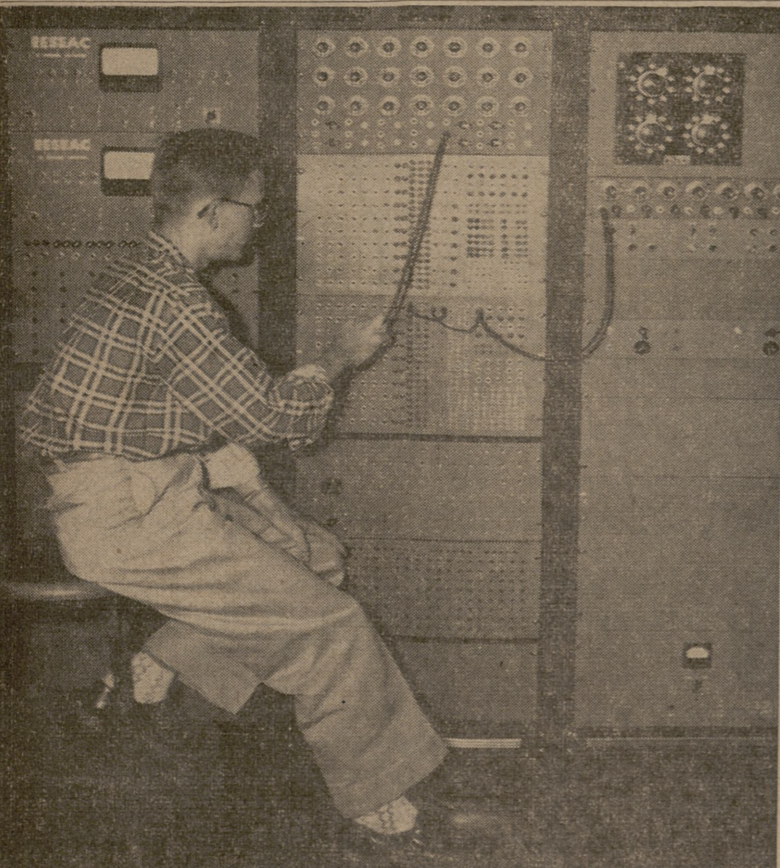
The tests will be held each day from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center promenade.

To be eligible for this program, a student must be between the ages of 18 and 25, above average mentally, physically and morally, have two full years of college and demonstrate a sincere desire to fly.

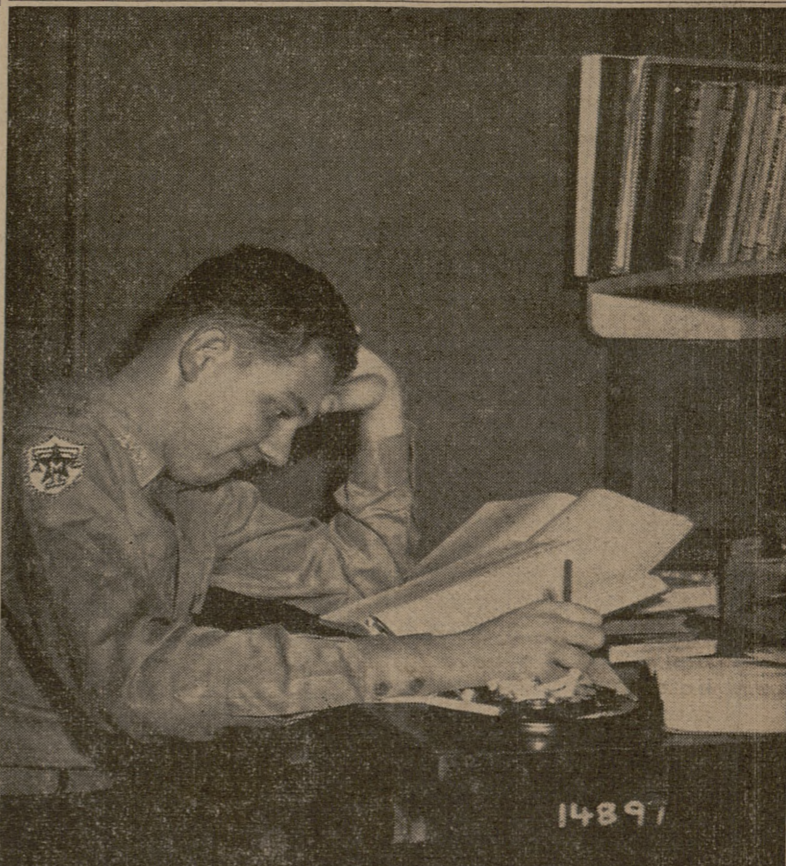
## 'Ah, Wilderness,' Needs Thespians

Casting for the Aggie Players' next production, "Ah, Wilderness," by Eugene O'Neill, will start at the regular monthly meeting at 7:30 Monday night in the Memorial Student Center, according to C. K. Esten, director of the group.

There are six parts for women in the play, and Esten asks that anyone, especially women, who would like to be in the play come to the meeting.



**ELECTRIC COMPUTER**—Wayne E. Leverkuhn, electrical engineering student, examines the electronic analog computer that is being built by N. F. Rode, research engineer, in research of the Texas Engineering experiment station. Silvio O. Navarro from Cuba, a graduate student, is assisting with the work.



**MIDNIGHT OIL**—Freshman James Roberts, mechanical engineering major from Houston, wrinkles his brow over his first bout with college final examinations. Examination week starts Jan. 24.