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Honored Guests Will Visit Here For Military Day

General Nathan F. Twining, air force chief of staff, is going to have some high-ranking company when he visits A&M for military day March 26.

Besides Twining, the air force's top general, the guest list will include assorted congressmen, generals, colonels, and foreign attaches, with a liberal sprinkling of A&M former students included.

Here is the guest list, as it is now:

Representative Olin Teague of College Station; Lt. Gen. Isaac White, commander of the fourth army; Brig. Gen. Robert Ives, assistant fourth army commander; Brig. Gen. J. Earl Rudder, state land commissioner and commander

of the 90th national guard division;

Col. Royal N. Baker of McKinney, Korean jet ace; Wing Commander T. G. Kelly, air attaché, Indian embassy; Col. Hussein Khairi, air attaché, Egyptian embassy; Col. E. J. Berryhill, air science department, Lehigh university; Col. Berthold Nowotny, air force, Washington; Col. Harvey Lee Case, state adjutant general's office; Col. Norman Callish, commander, Ellington air force base; Col. James Gunn, commander, Bryan air force base;

Col. Thomas C. Green, deputy for ROTC affairs, Texas military district; Col. George Smith, Military Affairs committee, Houston chamber of commerce; Col. James Burleson, Texas state guard reserve corps; Lt. Col. Roger Zeller, president, state department, ROA;

Capt. Albert R. Timm, foreign liaison office, air force; Capt. Arturo Garcia Zamora, assistant air attaché, Mexican embassy; Oscar T. Hotchkiss, president, Former Students association; and Mrs. J. F. Van Wert, president, Federation of A&M Mothers clubs.

Four of the military men are A&M former students; Berryhill is a former yell leader, Nowotny is a former band commander, and Callish and Rudder are also A&M graduates.

Most of the guests will arrive Friday. They will be invited to the Combat ball that night, and will attend the Military day review Saturday morning and the Military ball Saturday night.

Auto Accident Fatal to Two, Others Injured

Two A&M former students were killed early Sunday morning and two others were injured when the car they were riding in hit a bridge while they were returning to Houston after attending A&M Sport's day.

The dead are Gerald W. King and Thomas M. Forrest. Injured are Paul Glenn Ekels and James Troy Anderson. All four are in the class of '52 and are from Houston.

Ekels is in Bryan's St. Joseph hospital with head injuries and cuts, and Anderson is in a Houston hospital with a fractured skull.

Ekels, who was driving the car, told State Highway Patrolman O. L. Luther that the other three men were asleep in the car when the accident occurred. He said he had apparently dozed off and the car hit a bridge about eight miles south of College Station on Highway 6.

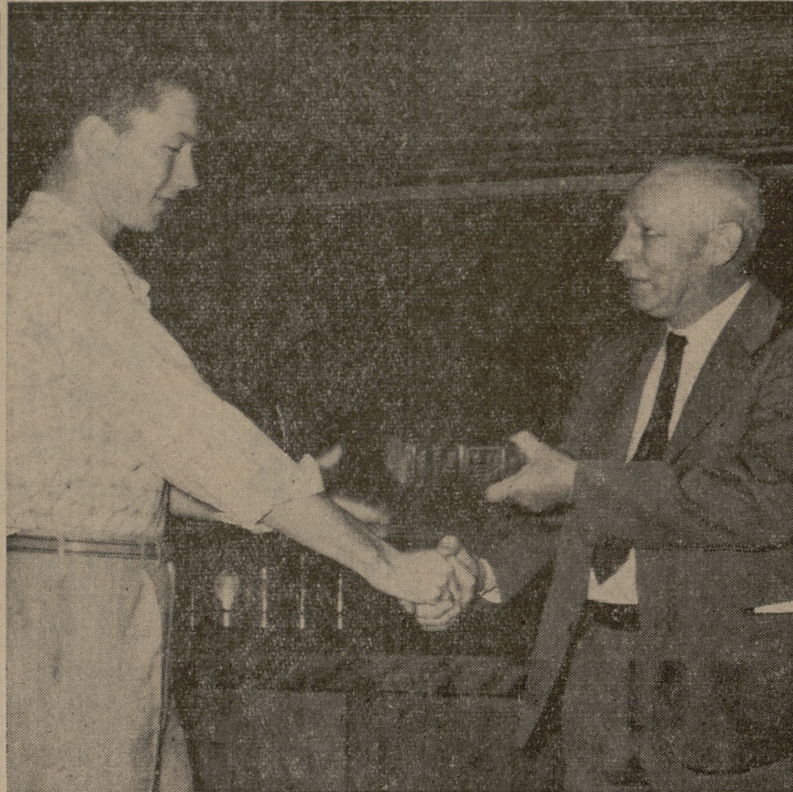
Ekels said they were heading toward Houston, but Luther said the car was heading toward College Station at the time of the accident.

Ekels said he possibly could have turned around to return to College Station to spend the night. Luther said his head injuries and shock could account for his loss of memory.

Miss Reidland Is Fish Sweetheart

The freshman sweetheart of the class of '58 is Miss Barbara Reidland of Daytona, who was presented a gold compact during an intermission at the freshman ball Saturday night.

The compact was inscribed, "Freshman Sweetheart, Texas A&M, Class of 1958." Miss Reidland's escort was Don Schilling, freshman chemical engineering major from Dayton.



HONORED—Allen D. Nelson, left, freshman animal husbandry major from China Spring, receives from Fred W. Jensen, head of the chemistry department, the handbook award presented to the freshman student who showed the greatest achievement in chemistry during the fall semester.

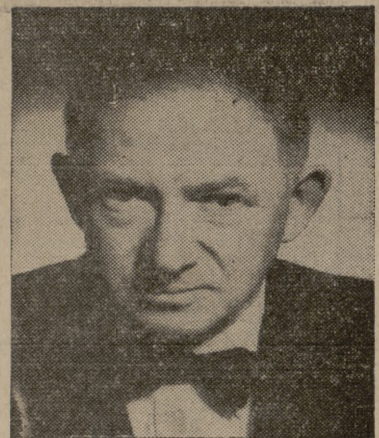
Polgar Appears Here For Two Shows

The man who claims he can meet a hundred persons in rapid succession and then remember all of them will be here Wednesday and Thursday nights to present his two-hour show.

The man, Dr. Franz Polgar, is so confident he can remember all the 100 names that he offers \$5 to anyone whose name he forgets. This, however, is just the first part of the show, which will begin at 8 p.m. both nights.

In the second part of the performance, Polgar will demonstrate mind reading. He asks for mental flashes from the audience and hidden objects are uncovered.

The last part of the show is devoted to mind reading. During this part, Polgar will make people perform many stunts at his bidding. He emphasizes, however, that a person cannot be made to follow a hypnotic suggestion.



Dr. Franz Polgar
'Mind Miracles'

Gallopulos Heads French Club

Nicolas Gallopulos was elected president of the French club at a recent meeting. Other officers are Clyde Adams, vice-president; Art Calderon, secretary; and John Holman, treasurer.

The club will meet March 15 in room 104 of the Academic building. The program will feature two film strips, and admission will be 25 cents. The public is invited.

Sperry Named

Dr. John Sperry of the biology department has been named judge of the trustee election to be held April 2, according to L. S. Richardson, A&M Consolidated schools superintendent.

Public School Week Begins At Consolidated

The observation of Public School week began last night at A&M Consolidated schools with orientation meetings with the teachers and the parents of first, second and third grade pupils.

Tonight at 7, teachers and parents of fourth grade pupils will get together in the cafeteria. Tomorrow night school administrators from four surrounding areas will meet in the cafeteria.

The Mothers and Dads club community supper scheduled for Friday in the school gymnasium will have fried chicken on the menu. The price of tickets is 85 cents for adults and 60 cents for children. Everyone is invited. From 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. after the supper, ten minute classes will be held for the sixth through twelfth grades. Parents are urged to attend the classes with their children.

Saturday, at 7:30 p.m., the Band Booster's club will present a fashion show in the auditorium. Tickets are 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

Dedication of the new high school buildings will be held at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. C. A. Bonnen, president of the A&M Consolidated board of directors, will officially present the buildings.

The main speaker for the dedication will be Dr. Pearl Wanamaker, superintendent of public instruction of Washington state.

Mrs. Wanamaker was educated in Seattle public schools in Washington, the Western Washington College of Education, and the University of Washington from which she was graduated in 1922. She married L. A. Wanamaker in 1926, and they have three children.

She started her career in education as an 18-year-old school teacher in a one-room rural school. After this, she taught in an elementary school and then high school in Montana. She later was elected

county superintendent of schools in Island county, Wash. She was the youngest county superintendent in the state.

She was an outstanding member of the Washington House of Representatives in 1929, 1933 and 1935. She was in the state senate in 1937 and 1939, and was on the education committee which passed a bill providing basic state support of 25 cents a day per pupil for public schools in Washington.

Mrs. Wanamaker was co-author of the Yantis-Wanamaker Equalization law, which has been considered the greatest single step toward providing equal educational opportunity for every child regardless of where he lives.

She has been in her present job as state superintendent for 14 years.

L. S. Richardson, superintendent of the Consolidated schools, said he expected almost 100 per cent of the students' parents to attend the meetings. Last year, approximately 60 per cent attended, he said.



Dr. Pearl Wanamaker
School Speaker

Short Selected Drum Major For Next Year

Tommy Short, a junior architecture student from Big Lake, will be head drum major of next year's band, according to Paul Gentry, band commander.

Buddy Patterson and Dwight Brown, both juniors from Dallas, will be drum majors of the white band and the maroon band.

They were chosen last week by a committee of five seniors, three juniors, two sophomores, two freshmen and Col. E. V. Adams, band counselor. Appearance, marching ability, handling of the band, military manner, command voice and leadership ability were the main characteristics taken into consideration, said Gentry.

They will work under the present drum majors John Dornbush, head drum major, Earl Pike, maroon band, and David Ashcroft, white band, Gentry stated; but they will not take over until next year.

News of the World

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN—The State Board of Education met here Monday but avoided all discussion of the Irving troubles brought about by the walkout of a number of principals and teachers following the firing of the school superintendent there. The board spent its time considering finances.

MOSCOW—The United States and British ambassadors here have applied for private interviews with Russia's new premier, Nikolai Bulganin. Personal contact between the Russian government chief and the foreign diplomatic corps was rare in the days of premiers Stalin and Malenkov but the new policy started Saturday when Bulganin received the ambassador from Sweden.

ALBANIA—President Eisenhower's offer of surplus food has been rejected, according to a radio broadcast from this Soviet satellite. The broadcast said the Albanian people view the offer with "contempt and disgust."

HONOLULU—Relative calm has returned to the eastern end of the island of Hawaii after a week of volcanic eruptions. The rivers of molten lava have nearly stopped flowing.

Center Survey Made

Parts of MSC Well Known

The Memorial Student Center has discovered that the average A&M student is not too well informed about all the activities that go on in the Center, although he is liable to know all about one particular thing that interests him the most.

The source of this information is a poll taken as a part of an evaluation of the MSC Directorate and its activities. The Directorate is composed of the chairmen of all the activity groups in the MSC.

The survey was run on only 294 students, but Dick Wall, who was in charge of the evaluation, said his committee considered it a representative sample.

Cadets in squadrons 13 and 14 and civilian students in Milner hall were given questionnaires. There were 97 freshmen, 47 sophomores, 31 juniors and 29 seniors, roughly the proportions of these classes to total enrollment.

The survey was divided into "do

you know" questions and "have you ever" questions, 31 questions in all.

Piano Popular

Largest number of affirmative answers was 80 per cent for the question "do you know where the piano room is?"

Lowest number of yesses was 10 per cent to the question "did you know that the MSC is the 1955 National sponsor for the Intercollegiate Bridge tournament?"

The question "have you ever attended a free student-prof coffee?" ran this a close second, with only 11 per cent affirmative answers.

Class Distinction

More than half knew that there is no class distinction on the MSC committees, that the craft shop offers free instruction, that the MSC council governs the MSC, and that the MSC has a ham radio station.

Under 20 per cent didn't know about the Junta discussions or the public relations group, and had never been to a MSC special dance, a record listening party, a Great Issues lecture, a Film society show, or a Recital series performance.

The rest of the evaluation was devoted to the functions of the Directorate itself.

The student chairmen who make up the directorate were on the whole satisfied with the work of the Directorate and the Center, but they did say they would like to have more power to make decisions.

'Rubber Stamp'

Some felt that the Directorate was just a "rubber stamp group" for the MSC council.

The committee chairmen also want a system of interviewing prospective committee members, because it is too easy to "fall in or out of MSC-work."

The stamp committee has a small problem: they want a safe place to keep their stamps.

Weather Today



The weather outlook for today is continued cloudiness and little change in temperature. No rain is expected.

Yesterday's high was 57, low 40. The temperature at 10:45 this morning was 57.

News Briefs

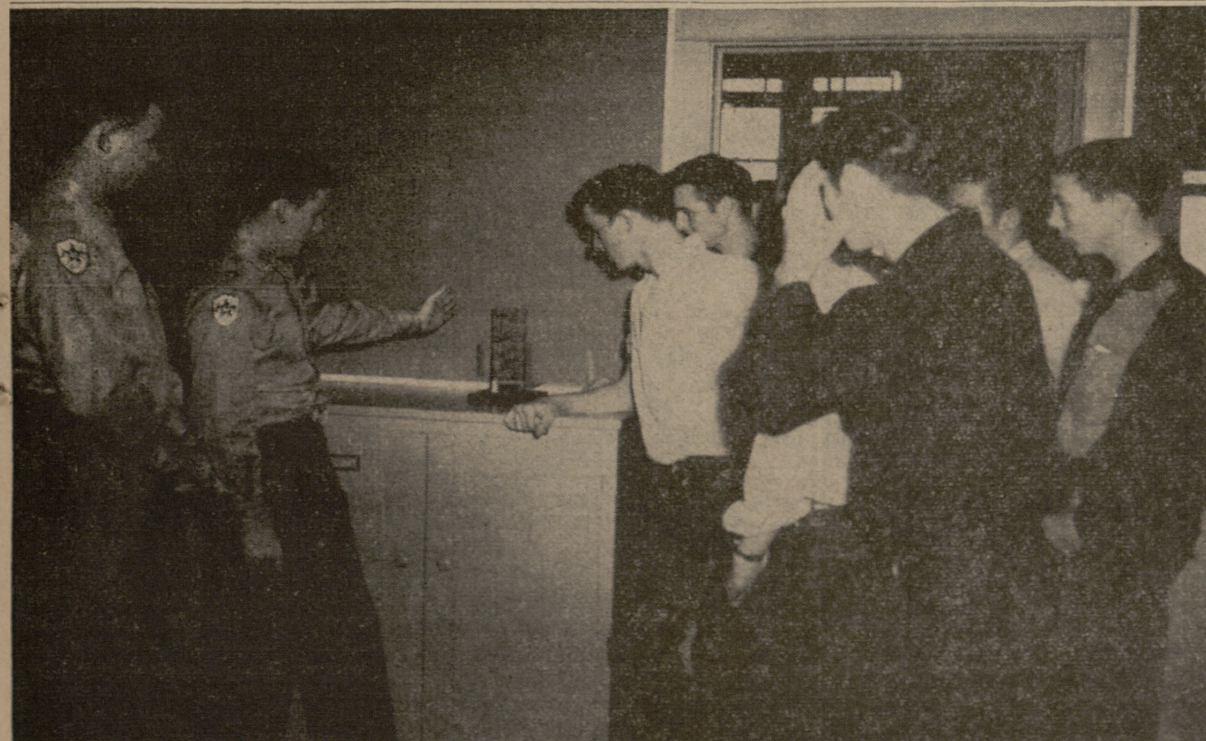
J. W. YOUNG, class of '36, has been elected secretary of the refining committee in the Petroleum division of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

THE MSC CAMERA CLUB will have a special workshop meeting at 7:30 tonight in the Birch room, with S. D. Chambers, Texas representative to the Photographic Society of America, as speaker.

THE TEXAS RICE IMPROVEMENT association has given the Texas agricultural experiment station a grant-in-aid of \$608.07 for general expenses incurred in relation to the forage and pasture studies being conducted at the Rice Pasture station in Beaumont.

W. ARMSTRONG PRICE of the oceanography department has been elected a corresponding member of the Italian Institute of Human Paleontology.

THE RESEARCH DIVISION of the Upjohn company, Kalamazoo, Mich., has given the Texas Agricultural experiment station a \$350 grant-in-aid for help in studies on the control of seedling diseases of cotton by chemical means.



EXPLAINING THE WORKS—A group of High School day visitors look on while Edward Burkhead, left, and Joe Cooper explain an example of "space modulation" in the architecture department. The tours of the classroom facilities were a part of the full day of activity for more than 1,000 high school seniors Saturday.