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Sbisa Hall Annex

More Than 100 Expected For Annual Clinic Monday

More than 100 children from Brazos and six other surrounding counties are expected here for the tenth annual Crippled Children's clinic Monday in Sbisa hall annex.

The clinic, sponsored by the College Station Kiwanis club in cooperation with the Brazos County Chapter for Crippled Children and the Brazos Valley Shriners club, will start at 8 a. m. Services of some noted orthopedic surgeons and physical therapists will be available for free diagnosis and recommendations for treatment.

Specialists Here

Some of the specialists who are donating their time and effort for

this clinic are Dr. W. H. Eggers, University Medical school, Galveston; Dr. T. C. Blocker, John Sealy hospital, Galveston; and Dr. W. H. Ainsworth, University Medical school, Galveston. Two independent surgeons from Waco, Drs. P. W. Bailey jr. and Arthur P. Heps, also have offered their services.

At the clinic will be representatives from the Rehabilitation and Welfare service to investigate cases that might deserve treatment. The registration is to end at 12 noon, but will continue into the afternoon if all the children have not been seen.

Jones Chairman

Luther G. Jones is chairman for the clinic. Others active in the planning for this year's clinic include Taylor Riedel, president of the Brazos County Society for Crippled Children, and Mrs. D. W. Andres, chairman of the Easter Seal society, which provides funds for treatment of crippled children.

"This clinic is open to everyone needing the services offered, regardless of race, creed or color," Riedel said.

Members of the Children's committee of the Kiwanis club include Jones, chairman, J. F. Fudge, Isaac Peters, W. W. Potts, E. B. Reynolds, J. J. Sperry and Riedel.

Ice cream for the clinic is being donated by Lilly Ice Cream company of Bryan; the Coca Cola company is donating Cokes; and Sanitary Farm Dairies is giving milk.

Whitney Says Center Should Aid Education

Every activity of the Memorial Student Center should contribute to the educational process of the college, said the new president of the Memorial Student Center last night, in outlining his concept of a student union.

The new president, Bud Whitney, took over from out-going president Charles Parker at the MSC council and directorate banquet last night.

The Center's Distinguished Service awards and Appreciation awards were also given out at the banquet, which was attended by about 200 persons.

"The MSC is more than just an extracurricular activity," Whitney said, "it is a classroom that doesn't check the roll, a laboratory in human relations, and a freshman to graduate seminar."

He said the MSC is a part of "continuing education," or education by discussion, and was concerned with producing a well-rounded student.

Parker, who was given a watch by the council and directorate at the banquet, reviewed the activities of the Center this year, then issued a "challenge to all students who are interested in improving themselves in any way to become active in the MSC activities."

Distinguished Service awards, the MSC's highest award, was presented to Whitney and Art Henderson, freshman member of the music group.

Henderson was the first freshman to receive a MSC Distinguished Service Award.

Twenty-two Appreciation awards were given to members of the council and directorate.

Council members who received appreciation awards are Doug Krueger, Dave Ashcroft, Harri Baker, Bob Boriskie, Sam B. Southwell and C. A. Roeber.

Directorate members who received awards and their committees were as follows:

Thomas Williams, art; Dick Wall, dance; Michael Kuich, dance; (See MSC COUNCIL, Page 2)

King, Queen Of Cotton to Reign Tonight At Annual Cotton Ball

Pageant To Include Cotton Style Show

King and Queen Cotton will reign over A&M tonight, as the annual Cotton ball and pageant take over the campus.

The full night of activity will include the Cotton pageant in the White coliseum at 7:30 p. m., and the Cotton ball in The Grove at 9 p. m.

The crowning of the king and queen, A&M Senior Joe Bob Snodgrass and TSCW Freshman Pat Calloway, will highlight the pageant, which will also include entertainment and a style show.

W. T. Doherty, president of the A&M System board of directors, will crown the king and queen, and Morris Frank, Houston Chronicle columnist, will be master of ceremonies for the show.



Miss Pat Calloway
Cotton Queen

SS Coverage Election To Be May 2 to 5

A&M System faculty and staff members will vote next week on whether or not they want to be covered by Social Security insurance.

The voting will be conducted May 2, 3, 4, and 5, with only those persons who are already participating in employee or teacher retirement eligible to vote.

Because of an act of Congress in 1954, state employees are now eligible for the insurance. If the state employees vote to be included, the Legislature will have to pass an enabling law, and then put up part of the money.

Voting will be in three places, as follows:

Employees of A&M college, the Engineering Extension service, the Engineering Experiment station, and all A&M System offices located here will vote in the Engineers library.

Employees of the Agricultural Experiment station will vote at the station's fiscal office in the system building.

Employees of the Forest Service are voting by mail.

The polls will be open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. each day. Dr. F. C. Bolton, election judge for the balloting place in the Engineers library, said that he would keep his poll open a little after noon and a little after 5 p. m. each day for those who couldn't come during regular hours.

The election judges asked everyone to try to vote early, Monday and Tuesday if possible.

Each voting place will have a roster of the eligible voters, so voters need not bring proof of coverage by one of the two retirement plans.

Those participating in teacher retirement will vote on a white ballot; those participating in employee retirement will vote on a colored ballot.

Weather Today



PARTLY CLOUDY

The weather outlook for today is continued cloudy with little change in temperature.

Yesterday's high was 90, low 69. The temperature at 10:15 this morning was 77.

A&M Cowboys To Have Ball Saturday Night

A&M's cowhands and their friends will throw a stomp Saturday night, when the Aggie Ramblers will play for the Cattleman's ball.

The dance will begin at 8 p. m. in The Grove. Tickets are \$2, stag or couple.

Highpoint of the dance will be the naming of a sweetheart during the intermission. An as-yet unnamed committee will select her during the dance from the dates of the animal husbandry majors or members of the Saddle and Sirlin club present.

The committee will be composed of professors, secretaries, or professors' wives, said Ken Killion, president of the Saddle and Sirlin club, which sponsors the annual dance.

A&M students at the dance should wear western clothes, Killion said, but western clothes will be optional with the dates.

Members of the cadet corps will be allowed to attend the dance in western clothes.

Pet Show Starts At 4:30 Saturday

The gates open at 4:30 tomorrow afternoon on the A&M Consolidated Pet Show, to be held at the high school football field.

A class is open for any kind of a pet, and plenty of ribbons will be available. Concession stands will have food and drink, and prizes will be given away by drawings.

Tickets are 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children. They are available from second through fifth grade students at Consolidated high school.

Two Exes To Get Honorary Degrees

One of the nation's most distinguished aviation engineers and a leader in agricultural extension services will be recipients of honorary degrees from A&M, at the college's commencement exercises May 27. Both men are former A&M students.

Leonard Sinclair Hobbs, 1916 graduate of A&M and 1954 winner of the Collier trophy in aviation, and John Hayne McLeod, 1908 graduate of the college, now dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, director of the Agricultural Experiment station and Agricultural Extension service of the University of Tennessee, will be recipients of degrees of Doctor of Laws. Action to award the degrees was approved by the board of directors at their recent meeting.

Hobbs was awarded the Collier trophy in aviation on Dec. 17, 1954, by President Eisenhower, for his leadership in development of the J57 dual-compressor gas turbine for aircraft engines. Development of this turbine is considered one of the most outstanding developments in modern high-speed flight.

A former engineering manager of Pratt and Whitney Aircraft division of the United Aircraft corporation, he has been a director of the corporation since 1942, and vice-president since 1944.

McLeod, a native of Athens, served as head of the livestock department of the University of Arkansas, from 1914 to 1919, and joined the extension service of the University of Tennessee as a swine specialist. From 1934 to 1936 he served as farm management specialist and head of the extension farm management department.

He became vice-director in 1945, and was chosen "Man of the Year in Agriculture" by Progressive Farmer magazine in 1945.

McLeod was appointed acting director of the extension service in 1946 and in 1948 was made dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, director of the Agricultural Experiment station, and director of the Agricultural Extension service, of the University of Tennessee.



A CLEAN SWEEP—Part of getting ready for federal inspection is moving everything out of your room, cleaning the bare floor and walls, then moving everything back in. Here in the crowded hall of one of the military dormitories Wednesday night are, left to right, P. D. O'Brien, Al Greene, Lamar James, and Frank Bryan, all sophomores. The room inspection was yesterday morning. The review yesterday afternoon ended the two-day inspection visit.

Social Security No. 4

Benefits Related To Person's Wage

This is the last in a series of four articles explaining the plan to allow state employees to receive Social Security insurance. The articles were prepared by John Hill, A&M System director of workman's compensation.

After state supported colleges and universities of Texas come under the provisions of Social Security (OASI), staff members will be entitled to the following benefits:

All benefits are related to the individual staff members' average monthly wage. This is computed by taking the earnings while covered by OASI up to \$3,600 a year from 1951 through 1955, and up to \$4,200 per year thereafter, and dividing by the number of months

elapsing between January 1, 1951 and the date of death or age 65.

For those whose covered employment begins January 1, 1955, the months elapsing between January 1, 1951 and January 1, 1955 may be dropped from the calculation to avoid including months in which there were no covered earnings as devisor months.

This "drop out" period enables the average monthly wage of the newly covered person to be based entirely on covered earnings after 1954.

These special provisions were written in the 1954 amendment to allow persons coming under OASI after 1954 the same privileges as if they had been covered since the beginning of OASI.

Benefits are payable to a worker who is fully insured and reaches age 65, or to his survivors if he dies prior to age 65 leaving dependent children under age 18.

If an individual keeps on working after age 65 and before 72, or if his widow should have to work before age 72, OASI benefits will be affected if earnings are in excess of \$1,200 in any calendar year.

OASI benefits will not be affected by earned income after age 72, and benefits from Teachers Retirement and Employees Retirement will not be considered in this \$1,200 "work test."

Guion Hall Ground To Be Beautified

Grounds in front of and around Guion hall will be reworked this summer after the spring semester has ended, according to J. W. MacQueen, head of the department of care and maintenance of grounds.

Part of this beautification project is already in progress. MacQueen said that the traffic triangle at the northeast corner of the Memorial Student Center will be planted into ground cover and annual flowers.

The plot originally held a tree, which was taken out when the old journalism building was removed several months ago.

"The tree was a traffic hazard," MacQueen said.

With King Joe and Queen Pat will be the members of their court, composed of members of A&M's Agronomy society and TSCW students who were runners-up for the queen title.

The grand march of 160 cotton clad duchesses and their A&M escorts will follow the crowning. The duchesses represent campus clubs, College Station and Bryan organizations, and mothers clubs and former students clubs from all over the state.

"Ooobie Doobie" Boys

The program will include Wade Moore and Dick Penner, the "Ooobie-Doobie" hop singers; Ann Harrison, singer from Houston's KPRC-TV; the Coltzter dance team from the University of Texas, with ballroom dancing.

A four-girl dance number from Bryan's Jane Lee school of dancing; songs by Dean and Dan Pinkham, 14-year-old Horace Heidt winners from Houston; and Virginia McBride, Bryan, and Jimmy Harrison, A&M student, semi-classical singers.

Beverly Braley will present the style show, which will feature springtime cottons for Texas.

After the pageant, which the Agronomy society promises will not last over an hour and a half, the Aggieband orchestra will play for dancing at the Cotton ball in The Grove.

Ticket Prices

Tickets for the pageant are \$1.50 for reserved seats, \$1 for general admission, and 50 cents for public school children. Dance tickets are \$2, stag or couple.

The Agronomy society sponsors the Cotton pageant and ball each year to raise money to send junior and senior agronomy students on a field trip to Texas agricultural centers.

May Agriculturist To Go To FFA

More than 1,200 copies of the May edition of the Agriculturist will be sent to Future Farmers of American chapters in the state, said F. E. (Sonny) Tutt, editor of the magazine.

The Agriculturist will be sent out before the FFA State Livestock Judging contest convenes here May 21. This issue will have articles describing every department in the School of Agriculture, as well as articles written by former officers of the State FFA organization, who are now attending A&M.

The purpose of this program is to inform Texas high school students interested in agriculture of the value of coming to A&M for their specialized agricultural education, and of the opportunities offered A&M graduates, Tutt said.

Students May File For Class Offices

Filings are open for class offices for the classes of '56 and '57, a student entertainment manager ('56), two yell leaders each for '56 and '57, and five election commission members for the classes of '56, '57 and '58. Student may file in the student activities offices, second floor of Goodwin hall, until May 5. Election is to be May 12.