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Norman Thomas  
Famed Socialist Speaks Tonight at Great Issues

## Great Issues Tonight

### Thomas To Talk At 8

One of the nation's great Americans, Norman Thomas, long an active fighter for a peace based on the cooperation of free peoples and rejection both of vengeance and imperialism, will speak tonight at 8 in the Memorial Student Center ball room.

Speaking under the auspices of the Great Issues Series, Thomas will talk on "A Faith for Our Times." Admission is by season ticket or by individual ticket at \$1.

Thomas, whose present stature as a great American is such that he has transcended all party lines, was valedictorian of his graduating class at Princeton University. He was ordained at Union Theological Seminary and started his career in the ministry.

After the first World War, Thomas became active in the Socialist Party. He was and is an eloquent defender of civil liberties and has won several important victories in the courts. He has run for many offices on the Socialist Party of the City of New York and governor of New York State. He also campaigned for the Presidency of this country six times on the Socialist ticket.

Thomas is national chairman of the Post-War World Council, and also is active in the League for Industrial Democracy, the Workers Defense League, the American Civil Liberties Union and is a trustee of Town Hall, Inc. He is a member of the Socialist Party and is president of The Call, America's Socialist journal.

Thomas also has been a radio commentator for the Socialist Call over scores of radio stations, and is a frequent speaker on Peoples' Platform, America's Town Meeting of the Air and similar radio forums. He writes a column twice a week for the Mirror Enterprises Syndicate of Los Angeles, which is taken by papers in this country, Japan, Cuba and France. He is a member of the Newspaper Guild.

Besides being well equipped as a speaker on social and economic questions, Thomas is author of numerous books and pamphlets, including Appeal to the Nations, What is Our Destiny, America's Way Out, As I See It, Human Exploitation and A Socialist's Faith. To a large number of Americans, his tolerance and personality, more than his professed socialism, has attracted wide support.

Two decades ago many of Thomas' views concerning the philosophy that our government should follow were thought by many to be too liberal and too far to the left. Since that time, many parts of his liberal platform for President have been adopted by the federal government.

## English Group Offers Tutoring

A tutoring course for Spanish-speaking students is being offered by the English Department this semester, which is designed to give practice in pronunciation, reading and writing English.

The course is English 100, section 500 and meets Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 11. J. N. Sheppard will teach the course, which is of special benefit to those Latin American students who had trouble with English 103 and 104, and also would prove very helpful to Spanish-speaking graduate students.

Students wanting to register for it can do so at the Department office on the third floor of the Academic Building until the end of classes this week.

## News of the World

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—Sen. Malone R. Nev., urged last night that the United States withdraw its armed forces from overseas and set up a mighty defense system based entirely in North America. This, Malone said, should be coupled with a "Monroe Doctrine" type of declaration that the United States "will destroy the war making capacity at home" of any nation that attacked the United States or its allies.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—The AFL-CIO executive committee yesterday opened a seashore winter meeting with union leaders intent on building their combined labor movement into a more potent political force. They apparently are undaunted by criticism from some Republicans that the new 15-million member labor organization will try to dominate national politics.

BONN, Germany—West Germany declared yesterday it is going

to halt its multimillion dollar cash support of Western troops in Germany next May. Finance Minister Fritz Schaeffer said through a spokesman at a news conference that his answer will be "no" to Allied demands for continued cash support of their troops here after the present agreement expires May 5.

CHICAGO—The Hilton hotel chain yesterday settled a government antitrust suit with promises to sell two hotels in New York and Washington and not to buy more large convention hotels in four cities. The agreement, in a consent decree filed in U. S. District Court, ends a civil antitrust suit filed in April 1955 against Hilton Hotels Corp. and the Statler Hotels Delaware Corp., a Hilton subsidiary.

## Sweetheart Pictures Due Thursday

Pictures of candidates for Sweetheart of the First Regimental Ball must be turned in by 4 p.m. Thursday to Nathan Boardman, Dorm 7, room 117.

The picture must also have the girl's name, age, address, measurements and the person's name that is submitting the entry. Pictures measuring 5x7 inches are preferred.

Freshman, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors eligible to submit pictures for the contest.

## Dr. Morris Wee

### A&M's RE Week Speaker Named

By JIM NEIGHBORS  
Battalion Staff Writer

Dr. Morris Wee, pastor of the Bethel Lutheran Church, University of Wisconsin, will be the main convocation speaker for Religious Emphasis Week.

The 14th R.E. Week at A&M is scheduled for Feb. 19 through the 24. Dr. Wee will speak in Guion Hall each morning of R.E. Week. During the hours he speaks, classes will be dismissed.

Dr. Wee was born in Jackson, Minn., in 1906. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., and his Bachelor of Theology from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minn. Wee's Ph.D. is from the University of Wisconsin.

He was pastor of the Bethel Lutheran Church, Madison, Wis., from 1931 to 1945; executive secretary, Division of Student Service, National Lutheran Council, 1945 to 1949; president, Carthage College, Carthage, Ill., 1950-1952;

Pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Duluth, Minn.; chairman, Board of Education, Evangelical Lutheran Church; member of the Planning Committee for the World Christian Youth Conference, Oslo, Norway, 1947; delegate to the Lutheran World Federation Convention, Sweden, 1947;

Chairman of the Commission on Students and Youth, Lutheran World Fellowship, 1948-1952; member of the International Seminar on the church-related college, Toronto, Canada, 1950; member of the Asian Christ Professors Conference, Indonesia, 1951; and chairman of the United Student Christian Council, 1949.

He has been speaker at numerous Religious Emphasis Weeks including Kansas State College, University of Saskatchewan, Montana State College, Winthrop College, Heidelberg University, Gettysburg College, St. Olaf College, University of Wisconsin, and Black Hills State Teachers College.

Dr. Wee delivered the Baccalaureate sermon at the University of Texas in 1949, lectured at the Second Annual Minnesota Christian Professors Conference in 1953, and has lectured at many student and youth conferences in the United States, Europe, and Asia. He returned to the Bethel Lutheran Church in Madison, Wis. last year.

## Mid-Semester Crashes Cause Death, Injury

### Group Seeking Talent For Annual Show

Five A&M students, members of a special committee of the Memorial Student Center Music Group have started looking for talent to appear in the Fifth Annual Intercollegiate Talent Show to be held in White Coliseum, April 15.

The committee, Dick McGowan, Joe Harris, Frank Jagers, Jim Hancock and Dudley Brown, will make audition trips to Sam Houston State Teachers College, Rice Institute, Louisiana State University, Tulane, Sophie Newcomb, Texas Christian University, Baylor, Southern Methodist University, North Texas State, TSCW, Oklahoma, Oklahoma A&M, Arkansas, University of Texas and Lon Morris.

A&M's representatives to the show are winners of the All-Aggie Talent Show held earlier in the year. The winners were C. J. Sanfilippo, Alfred H. Cordes and Roger F. Alexander, a saxophone trio.

### Lost Articles Kept At 2 Lost-Founds

Anyone who has lost or found articles on the campus should contact the Campus Security Office to find the rightful owner.

All articles found on the campus should be turned in to the Campus Security Office in Goodwin Hall where they are tagged to show date and location found and the name of the person who found it.

Items on deposit at the office may be claimed and records made of items that are not recovered. When the item is recovered, the owner can then be notified.

Lost articles are also turned in at the main desk of the Student Center.

## Internal Hemorrhage Hospitalizes Another

By DAVE McREYNOLDS  
Battalion News Editor

Auto wrecks claimed the life of one A&M student and left one seriously injured during the mid-semester holidays. Another student was admitted to the Veterans' Hospital at Temple due to internal hemorrhages after a two-day fight for his life at the College Hospital during exam week.

Silver Taps was held last night for Gene Thadeous Kinard, 21-year-old senior electrical engineering major from Beaumont who was killed in a two-car collision which claimed the life of a Jasper High School student, Bob Hilton. The accident happened between Woodville and Livingston Jan. 26.

George Wayne Lybecker, at last report, is still in a serious condition, following another head-on crash two miles from Kyle Feb. 1 with a car driven by A-2c James Hart of Kansas. Harts' wife, Josephine, 23, was killed in the wreck and Hart is on the critical list at Lackland AFB at San Antonio.

Lybecker, a member of D Field Artillery, is a sophomore student from San Antonio. His injuries include a broken jaw, broken shoulders, and crushed chest.

John Lynn Barkley, a veteran student majoring in Pre-Veterinary Medicine from Midlothian was admitted to the College Hospital Jan. 27 in a critical condition, suffering from internal hemorrhages and a collapsed lung. After numerous blood transfusions from students he began to regain his strength Sunday and was transferred to McClosky Hospital in Temple Tuesday.

Barkley's case was another when the call for help was answered by his fellow students. The following letter was received from Barkley's sister by President David H. Morgan Feb. 1.

"In behalf of the entire family of John Lynn Barkley, I would like to thank you, the A&M Mothers Club, the staff of the College Hospital, College Security Officers, and the chaplains for the many kindnesses shown us while there over the week end. When we needed blood donors, within minutes there were (See LETTER, Page 5)

## Meats Team Places Sixth At Fort Worth

The A&M Junior Meats Judging Team placed sixth over-all in the Intercollegiate Meats Judging Contest held in conjunction with the Southwestern Livestock Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth last week. The team won first place in beef and pork judging.

Team members and Coach G. T. King, left A&M Jan. 29 for a practice session at Armour and Company the next day. The contest was held at Swift and Company Jan. 31.

J. M. Lebo placed high individual in pork judging and David Terry won third high individual in pork, fifth in beef and fourth in lamb grading. Other team members are Tom Humphreys Jr., Donald Johnson, Stanley Keese, James Rowland, Kermit Wahrmond Jr., Larry Waldrip, and John Whitwell. (Picture is on page 5.)

Team placings in the over-all contest were Oklahoma, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Tennessee, Iowa, A&M, Texas Tech, South Dakota and Abilene Christian College.

## At Town Hall

### Hilltoppers, Spivak Here Tonight at 8

Town Hall presents Charles Spivak and his orchestra, featuring the Hilltoppers and Miss Shirley Jones, vocalist, tonight at 8 in White Coliseum as the second bonus attraction of the school year.

Spivak, who has been titled as "The Man Who Plays the Sweetest Trumpet in the World", got his first trumpet while still in grade school.

His family was planning for him to become interested in a medical career but this was cut short when one of the country's leading bandleaders offered him a job. He joined the band and stayed with them five years.

From there he went on to play with name bands such as the Dorsey Brothers, Ray Noble and Ben Pollack.

Shortly after starting on his own, Spivak became the highest paid free lance trumpet player on radio, playing on the Ford Symphony Hour, Kate Smith and Fred Allen broadcasts.

He then organized his own band and played his first big engagement at the Glen Island Casino where he was such a success that

the Casino, usually a summer resort, stayed open all winter.

From there he took his band to Cafe Rouge where he broke Glen Miller and Tommy Dorsey's records for attendance. He is now a regular fall attraction at the Statler every year.

Spivak places emphasis on soft danceable melodies and leans toward ballads. His most noted talent with the trumpet is his ability for control. He can control his tone so well that he doesn't use a mute even when playing just two inches from the microphone.

The Hilltoppers started a fabulous career in 1951 on the campus of Western Kentucky State College with their recording of "Trying."

Recorded originally on a tape recorder, "Trying" sold over 7,000 records the first week. Since then, they have recorded 15 different "hit" songs for Dot Records out of Gallatin, Tenn.

The remarkable part of the success of the Hilltoppers is that they have risen to fame through the new trend of hillbilly hit acts although their records have been of the popular variety.

They made their TV debut on Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town". They have appeared on all three of the major TV networks. Jimmy Sacca, leader of the Hilltoppers, is the featured singer of the group.

Tickets are \$1.00 and \$1.50 for students; \$2.00 and \$2.50 for non-students, and Town Hall season tickets may be used.



The Hilltoppers  
Appear Here Tonight With Charlie Spivak



Dr. Morris Wee  
Main Speaker for Religious Emphasis Week

## Weather Today

CLOUDY

High scattered clouds but no precipitation is the forecast for College Station. Yesterday's high of 61 degrees dropped to 39 degrees last night. Temperature at 11 a.m. today was 56 degrees.