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O. J. "Joe" DeLatte
Possibly the Happiest Aggie On The Campus

'Happiest' Aggie

'Joe' Wants To Own Ranch

By JOE TINDEL

Possibly the happiest Aggie on the campus plans someday to have a ranch in Texas and stand on his own two feet even though he has only limited control of the muscles in the lower part of his body. O. J. DeLatte, known as "Joe" by his Aggie buddies, says he is attending A&M because it is the

only place in his life where he has really been happy. Joe came to A&M for the first time last year at the start of the fall semester. At that time he was majoring in farm management. He completed the first semester and had enrolled for the spring. A few weeks later, however, he fell from his three-wheeled bike

and broke his arm. He had to return to his home in Tuscaloosa, Ala., and have an operation before he could enter school again.

Joe had taken a paper route with the Houston Post, but because of his accident was unable to carry on. Friends took over the job for the rest of the year and sent money to him. Last semester, Joe returned to A&M and began studies in floriculture, during which time he posted a 1.88 grade-point-ratio.

Before coming to A&M, Joe attended the University of Alabama for three and one-half years, majoring in library science. He came to A&M because he heard it was inexpensive and had a friendly campus.

Toastmasters Plan Meeting Thursday

The first official meeting of the A&M Toastmasters Club will be planned Thursday night in an organizational meeting in the Memorial Student Center.

"Plans have already been made for a guest speaker from the Waco Toastmasters Club for our first meeting", said Don McGinty, temporary administrative vice-chairman.

The A&M club is not a member of the Toastmasters International, since its minimum age for membership is 21, but is a function of the Council and Directorate of the MSC.

The object of the group, as defined in their constitution, "is to improve its members in the oral expression of thought, to enable them to develop poise and confidence before an audience, and to

give them valuable experience at presiding over groups."

The club will meet each Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 during regular semesters. During these meetings, dinner will be served, the Toastmaster will be presented, and five speeches will be delivered by different members. The speeches will be evaluated as to effectiveness, subject, organization and delivery.

The initial membership fee for the club is \$3. Any A&M student is eligible for membership but must attend two meetings before applying.

Engineers Appoint Crain Chairman

The Brazos Chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers has appointed Oscar L. Crain general chairman of Nation Engineers Week Feb. 19-25.

Crain is a professional engineer employed by the Texas Highway Department in Bryan. He will be assisted in planning events for the week by a five man committee. The committee consists of R. H. Schleider and S. J. Buchanan of College Station; J. G. Hanover, Hearne; B. P. Greenwade, Brenham; and John Marino, Bryan.

Loose Dogs To Lose Freedom By Friday

College Station authorities will start picking up all dogs found within the city limits without valid license on them beginning Friday.

Licenses may be obtained at the City Hall for \$1 each. A valid rabies certificate must be presented to buy the license.

Tomorrow's R.E. Service To Be At 9 In Guion Hall

Religious Emphasis Week at A&M College will continue tomorrow with the service at 9 a.m. in Guion Hall. Dr. Morris Wee is the convocation speaker for this 13th renewal of the annual week of religious activities on the campus.

Yesterday morning Dr. Wee, pastor of the Bethel Lutheran Church, University of Wisconsin, spoke on "How Can I Be Sure of God" to a capacity audience at Guion.

"Many people would give a great deal if they could be sure of God," he said. "They could meet things with peace of mind if they could be sure."

"There are many ways to come to this knowledge," the speaker said. Nature, the Holy Bible, the Church, Christian personalities point to the conclusion there is a

God, but even a large exposure to these and other evidences may leave a man unconvinced still.

"Jesus was sure of God," Dr. Wee said. "He said His teachings were not His own but His that sent Him."

He also said there did exist a formula which would lead any other person to the same bold confidence, Dr. Wee said. Jesus said, "If any man is willing to do God's will, he shall know. . ."

Jesus' proposal, Dr. Wee explained, is that we test God's will and live on His terms in the crucible of life and from that experiment draw our conclusion.

Kinard Family Expresses Thanks

The student body has received a thank you card from the family of Gene T. Kinard, 21-year-old senior from Beaumont who was killed in an automobile accident near Livingston Jan. 26.

The card read, "Please accept our sincere appreciation for your kind and thoughtful sympathy."

The Kinard Family.

Senator Filings Open Until Friday

Students may file for the position of Student Senator from Bizzell Hall and Milner Hall at the Student Activities Office this week.

The last day for filing will be at 5 p.m. Friday.

The election will be held Feb. 28 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the lounge of Bizzell and on the second floor of Milner, according to Brad Crockett, chairman of the Election Commission.

Textbook Drive To Close Friday

The drive for textbooks, sponsored by the American Association of University Women, will be extended to Friday according to Mrs. Horace Blank, chairman of international relations committee.

"Social Sciences, scientific periodicals and textbooks on humanities that are fairly recent are still needed," said Mrs. Blank.

The Asia Foundation in San Francisco is assuming the responsibility of shipping the books to the far east for distribution to counteract communist textbooks.

Books may be sent to the YMCA in care of J. Gordon Gay, secretary of the Y.

What's Cooking Tonight

The Abilene Hometown Club will meet at 5:30 p.m. on the steps of the M.S.C. for Aggeland pictures. Cadets wear Class A uniform; Civilian students wear suits.

Weather Today



SHOWERS

Occasional light showers are forecasted for College Station this afternoon, with light drizzle and fog early tomorrow. Yesterday's high of 73 degrees dropped to 51 degrees last night. Temperature at 10:30 a.m. was 65 degrees.



GETTING LONGER—Pulling wasn't fair in this comparison of the texture of the beards of two of A&M's civilian whiskered students. Franklin Gajewsky, architecture major from Houston, and James Cooper, landscape architecture major from San Antonio, express mutual admiration for each other's beards. Both live in Mitchell Hall, which has quite a few students growing beards for the Civilian Day March 10.

Continuous Entertainment

Civilian Day Promises Fun

Continuous entertainment will be the highlight of the annual Civilian Student Weekend March 10-11.

In the lead-off position will be a "Texas size" barbeque held in Sbsa Hall from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. March 10. Tickets to the event will be \$1 each. Following the barbeque will be two dances and judging of civilian beards. Manning Smith, president of the Square Dancing Association of Texas, will act as master of ceremonies for the occasion.

The "Daddy of Western Swing," Bob Wills and his Texas Playboys will storm Sbsa Hall along with Buster Satan and his Rhythm and Blues band who currently are featured at the Three by Twelve Club in Dallas. Student admission to the dances is \$2 stag or drag while visitors will pay \$3 stag or drag. Bob Wills' part of the dance will be known as the Western Shindig while Satan will be called Night Club '56. The dances start at 8:30 and end at 12 midnight. Local talent will be featured at

the barbeque and will include comedy acts, guitar players and combos. Civilian Student Council members say tickets are scarce and will go off sale March 6. Dance tickets may be purchased at the door.

Corps students may attend any or all of the Civilian Weekend activities. These students may wear civilian clothes to the festivities,

according to Lt. Col. Taylor Wilkins, assistant commandant. The non-regulation clothing time begins at 5 p.m. March 10.

Tickets for the affair may be purchased from members of the Civilian Council, dormitory floor representatives and at the Student Activities Office, second floor, Goodwin Hall.

News of the World

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Washington — Organized lobbyists for farmers, labor unions, the sugar industry and gas and oil interests were the top spenders on legislative activities recorded during the last lobby reporting period. Various groups representing organized labor listed an aggregate of \$72,416, topped by the American Federation of Labor with \$18,570. Farmers' groups, headed by the American Farm Bureau Federation with \$27,053, reported spending \$47,435.

London — Heavy snowstorms brought new hardship last night to Europe's shivering millions in their record 22-day frigid siege. The death toll rose to 747. Weathermen promised no immediate relief, but there were some brighter spots.

Austin — Gov. Allan Shivers said yesterday he is "seriously considering" running for his fourth term and will make a definite announcement about it within the next two weeks. "I have been urged by friends from throughout

the state to run for reelection for governor," a statement issued by Shivers' press aide said.

Washington — The Senate yesterday took up a resolution to authorize what is being billed as a far-flung search for "improper or illegal" lobbying and political contributions. A vote was put over until today.

Atlantic City, N. J. — A Texas educator yesterday called for permanent legislation aimed at relieving the burden on local taxpayers for schools in "federally impacted areas." C. O. Chandler, superintendent of schools in Victoria, Tex., said school registrations have been swelled in many cases by pupils whose families moved to communities as government employees.

Fees Now Payable

Second installment fees are now payable at the Fiscal Office and must be paid before 5 p.m. Thursday to avoid penalty. Total payable is \$50.60, which includes room and board.

Which Of These Girls Will Be Junior Sweetheart?

By JIM BOWER
Battalion News Editor

Sbsa Hall will be the scene of merry-making and gaiety Saturday night as the annual Junior Prom and Banquet gets underway.

The evening of entertainment begins with the banquet at 6:30 p.m. which includes fruit cocktail, pineapple salad, broiled filet mignon, baked potatoes, green beans and all of the trimmings such as relishes and hot rolls. Apple pie and coffee are planned for dessert.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Chester Lauck, better known as "Lum", of the internationally famous radio and motion

picture team of "Lum and Abner". Lauck is presently serving as executive assistant for Continental Oil Company.

In addition to his entertainment and business activities, Lauck is well known as a rancher. Until recently, he owned the "Bar-Noth-

ing", a 256,000 acre cattle ranch in Southern Nevada.

The dancing half of the evening will begin at 9 with music furnish-

ed by Bob Smith of Houston. In addition to the 11 pieces in the orchestra will be Dody Smith, vocalist for the group. The dance

ends at 12. Five finalists have been chosen to compete for the title of Junior Class Sweetheart. They are Mil-

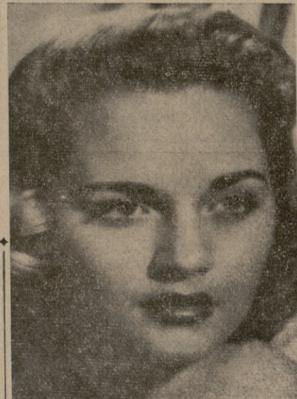
dred Taylor of Dallas sponsored by Clinton White; Barbara Cook of Houston sponsored by Bobby Best; Lou Ann Mires of Dallas sponsored by James Tenell; Shirley Cook of Dallas sponsored by John Hampton; and Gwen Andrews of Bryan sponsored by Bob Lockett. Winner of the sweetheart title will be chosen during intermission at the dance.

Dance tickets are \$2 for those who have contributed to the class fund and \$3 to those who have not. Dick Howard is president of the junior class. He is assisted by Carlton Hazelwood, vice-president; Charles McMullan, treasurer; Don Weber, sergeant-at-arms; Brad Crockett, social secretary; Don Green, secretary; and Dean Duncan, parliamentarian.

General chairman for the dance and prom is Brad Crockett. Other committees and their heads are Jerry Cash, Dance; Marcus Crow, Banquet; Jim Manley, Tickets; John Rinard, Guests and Program; Stanton Brown, Sweetheart; and Ed Wyatt, Decorations.

List Being Made Of Scholarships

Col. Edward F. Sauer of the Student Employment and Loan Office would like for all students here on scholarships to report to his office. Some have reported, but many have not and he needs information about all these students.



Miss Barbara Cook
Bobby Best



Miss Lou Ann Mires
James E. Terrell



Miss Gwen Andrews
Bob Lockett



Miss Shirley Cook
John W. Hampton



Miss Mildred Taylor
Clinton D. White