

# Ike Releases Plans To Run If Selected GOP Candidate

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Eisenhower declared last night there isn't the slightest doubt he can perform presidential duties now as well as ever—and "I shall accept" a second-term nomination.

EISENHOWER had announced the great political decision to a news conference yesterday morning—five months and five days after his Sept. 24 heart attack.

Last night he told the American people—and the world—that because of the heart attack he is a president under "restrictions" and "may possibly be a greater risk than is the normal person of my age."

But he added: "As of this moment, there is not

the slightest doubt that I now can perform as well as I ever have, all of the important duties of the president. This I say because I am actually doing so and have been doing so for many weeks. . . . "So far as I am concerned, I am confident that I can carry them indefinitely."

"Therefore," he said, "if the Republican party chooses to renominate me, I shall accept."

EISENHOWER addressed the people by radio and TV to lay down the terms on which he can and is willing to serve them for an additional four years. The Voice of America spread his words throughout the world over 78 giant radio transmitters.

Eisenhower ticked off the restrictions under which he would have to operate—a reduced and shared work load, a curtailed social and ceremonial schedule, regular exercise, recreation and rest, and no campaign in the traditional style.

In a quick comment on the speech, Sen. Humphrey (D-Minn.) declared:

"It seems like Mr. Eisenhower is planning a part-time campaign to become a part-time president."

BUT SEN. AIKEN (R-Vt) said of the President's remarks:

"I don't believe you would get such frankness as that out of any other capital in the world. I doubt that we've ever had such refresh-

ing frankness before from our own capital. The President leaves no doubt that he feels fully equal to carrying on the work of the president. The public will share his confidence. There will be no one else seriously considered for the Republican nomination."

Dealing at length with his health, Eisenhower declared so far as his personal sense of well-being is concerned, "I am as well as before the attack occurred." But while his doctors have given him favorable reports, he said, he still is classed as a recovered heart patient.

"THIS MEANS," he said, "that to some undetermined extent, I may possibly be a greater risk than

is the normal person of my age. My doctors assure me that this increased percentage of risk is not great."

In fact, he said, some of them think that because of the watchful care a president receives, the adverse effects on his health "will be less in the presidency than in any other position."

For his re-election campaign, Eisenhower ruled out any "barnstorming" or "whistle-stop speaking." He said he had decided on that long ago.

RATHER, HE SAID, he would resort to mass communication—TV and radio and the press—to tell the people about his program, what

has and hasn't been done and what he intends to do.

And, the President added, if delegates to the Republican National Convention decide they should have a more active nominee, he would accept such a decision cheerfully.

While he told his news conference he didn't think he ever would disclose whether he had decided before his heart attack to bid for a second term, he confided to the people last night that the question "was undecided before my recent illness."

EISENHOWER was chatty and in gay spirits while waiting to go on the air. Once he did, he was direct, emphatic and serious. He

glanced up from notes at times and seemed to be looking and talking straight to each individual in his television audience.

When he was through, he glanced to one side, held out his hand, got up and Mrs. Eisenhower joined him. She was struggling obviously to hold back tears.

Calmly, with subdued drama Eisenhower had informed his news conference yesterday morning that, "My answer will be positive, that is, affirmative" to the big political conundrum of the hour. And he told the record crowd of tension-wracked newsmen, "My answer would not be affirmative unless I thought I could last out the five years."

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## Proclamation

WHEREAS, one of the basic institutions upon which we rely for the furtherance of our American ideals, and a source of assurance for the future of the American way of life is our Public School System; and,

WHEREAS, Public Schools provide the tools of knowledge which equip our young men and women to become constructive and responsible citizens in this land of freedom; and,

WHEREAS, the continued progress of our school system requires increased public understanding of the importance of education, and the new facilities and by encouraging loyal, able qualified men and women to adopt teaching as a lifetime career,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ernest Langford, Mayor of the City of College Station, in the State of Texas, do hereby proclaim the week of March 5-10, 1956 as PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK, and urge every citizen in this City to visit at least one public school during this period and become personally acquainted with the work and activities of our public school system.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the seal of the City of College Station, in the State of Texas, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1956.

Signed:  
Ernest Langford, Mayor

## News of the World

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Aurathine Lucy, Negro, yesterday was ordered readmitted to the all-white University of Alabama Monday by a federal judge who ignored predictions that she would be killed. Dist. Judge H. Hobart Grooms prefaced his order by saying, "This court does not believe the law enforcement agencies of this state have broken down."

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CROCKETT—Two youthful gunmen who engaged in early morning gun battles with officers were arrested here today and admitted a series of recent East Texas robberies. Sheriff Lloyd Lovell of Houston County identified the two as Andrew Havard, 21, Diboll, Tex., and Gerald Howard, 19, Devine, Tex.

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EDINBURG—Oil well fire-

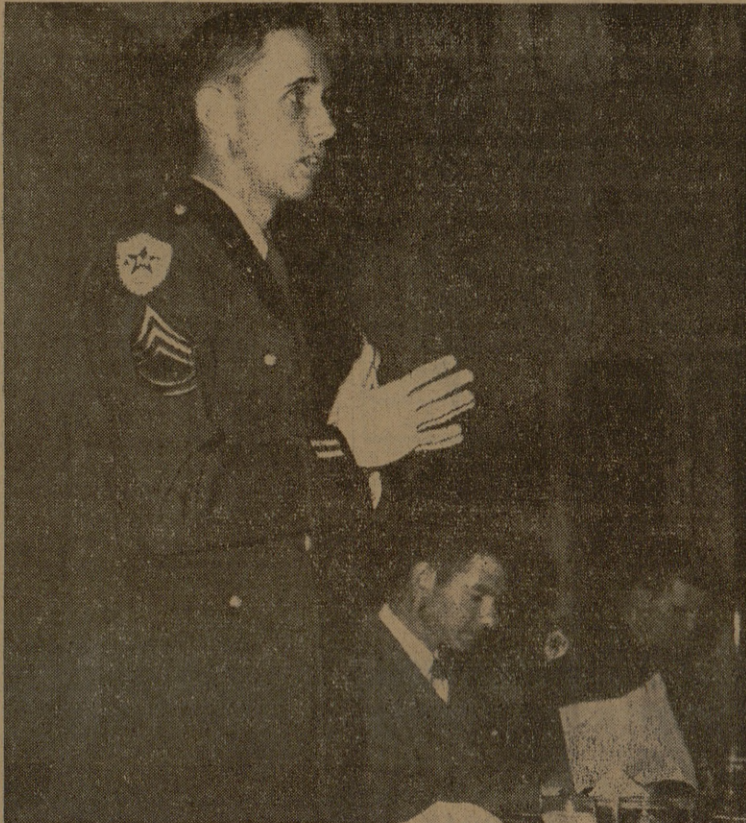
ers made final preparations last night to set off nitroglycerine tomorrow in an effort to blow out the flames at a burning gas well 15 miles north of here.

## System Employees

## Hospitalization Revised

(John W. Hill, Workmen's Compensation director for the A&M System, is writing three articles explaining the revision of group hospitalization coverage within the series. The second and third of this series will be in The Battalion next Tuesday and Wednesday.)

Group hospitalization coverage for employees of the A&M Col-



TOASTMASTER—Shown speaking at yesterday's Toastmaster's Club meeting in the Memorial Student Center is Frank Jagers, junior mechanical engineering major from Houston. The group meets each Wednesday at 5:30 p.m., and any A&M student is eligible to join. A fee of \$3 is charged, and a prospective member must attend two meetings before joining.

lege System has been revised and renewed with Pan-American Life Insurance Company of New Orleans, La., for another period beginning April 1. The new coverage is similar to the group hospitalization plan that has been in force for the past five years. The System Insurance Committee recommended certain changes which have been approved by the System Board of Directors.

The changes are designed to give System personnel the most desirable plan of hospital and surgery coverage for premiums paid. As a part of this re-negotiation, provisions were made whereby employees not now a member of the plan may enroll until March 15, 1956, without evidence of good health. This is the second time this provision has been made available to those employees who have not been participating in the plan. The System Insurance Committee and each local Part Committee would like to call this specific provision to the attention of all employees who have not been participating in the plan.

Those who fail to make application before March 15 will be required to show evidence of good health at their own expense before they may become members at any future date. Employees now enrolled in any one of the present plans must re-enroll before March 15, in order to have continuous coverage. This is necessary since the plans have all been changed and it is necessary for each employee to select the coverage desired under the new plans.

Eligibility for membership in the revised plan now includes all regular full time employees, nine or twelve months, including those on modified service of the professional service and clerical staffs. Temporary, seasonal and part time employees, and laborers are not

eligible for coverage. The committee has provided coverage for dependent unmarried children in college or high school, ages 19-23. These dependents must be carried in the same plan as carried by the parent. They will be included on an individual base as a single employee.

The Insurance Committee of (See INSURANCE, Page 4)

## Conformity Is Threat To America: Carter

### Open Letter About 'Pinky'

Dear Editor:  
I am here at Galveston seeing a doctor and one day last week I found out that Pinky was here at St. Mary's Infirmary.

I went to visit him and I am shouting 'Old Army' for Pinky. Aggies, he seems very depressed and not at all like the active and hustling Pinky who belongs at A&M. The Pinky who attends yell practice in that bright pink shirt.

I wanted you to let the rest of the Aggies know that Pinky is here in the hospital so that the next time I visit him his bed will be covered with mail from Aggies.

Pinky's address is:  
St. Mary's Infirmary, Room 337  
Galveston, Texas  
Royce Kapeller, '57

### CS Day Is Not Lenten Violation

Civilian Student Day at A&M is not a day of abstinence, according to Father Tim Valenta, of St. Joseph's Church in Bryan.

As far as attending the dance, Father Valenta stated that "it would not, in any way, interfere with Lenten activities."

### No Senate Meeting

The Student Senate will not meet tonight. A called meeting will probably be held next week, said Jim Rowland, recording secre-

### Says Best Solution for All Is Free Exchange of Ideas

By JIM BOWER  
Battalion News Editor

"The threat of the strait jacket of conformity is a menace to every aspect of the American way of life."

So said Hodding Carter in summation of his talk on "The New Southern Rebellion" presented to the Great Issues audience last night in the Student Center.

In explanation of this, Carter said there was a great and growing pressure of conformity in the South. As examples of this, he gave illustrations of instances where ministers had been removed from churches, businesses boycotted and newspapers threatened because they didn't conform to the majority wish on segregation.

Carter went on to say that through such pressure, the American people as a whole will be the loser, not just those on one side of the issue.

"This business of making your neighbor conform is catching and dangerous.

"Whatever your point of view is," he said, "don't give it up and don't take from your fellow American the privilege to disagree with you.

"Through the free exchange of ideas will come the best solution for all," said Carter.

Carter, a Pulitzer Prize winner, is noted for his newspaper work, novels and lectures on segregation.

He freely calls himself a "middle-of-the-roader", pointing out the faults and irrational thinking and action of both sides of the question of segregation.

As basis for most of the action toward segregation that has taken place in the South, Carter listed nine contradictions.

The first one was that the South was the scene of one of the earliest and finest culture developments in America but this was contrasted by the economic system of the one man, one mule farming practice that was so common.

For his second point Carter said we were the most homogeneous population in the country, going back to fifth, sixth and seventh generations, yet refusing to accept the Negro because of his difference in physical appearance.

Carter, for his third point, said that we were strong lovers of the land and of the "homeplace" yet there were more landless people in the South than in any other region in the United States.

As the fourth example, Carter said that we were the strongest churchgoers in the nation but at the same time we payed less attention to the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God.

"We strongly believe in individuality yet regiment ourselves in our beliefs and thinking," said Carter in his fifth point of contradictions in the South.

The sixth illustration was that we were proverbially kind to strangers yet the most suspicious people in the nation of those who are different to our pattern and way of life.

Carter expressed his seventh point by saying that we were traditionally gentle yet the Southern region is the most violent region in the land.

For his eighth point, Carter said that the patriotism of the South

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## Nine From A&M At TISA

Eight students and W. L. Penberthy, head, Department of Student Activities, traveled to Abilene and the eighth annual Texas Intercollegiate Students Association convention today, through Saturday.

Some 300 delegates and guests are expected to attend the convention, which is being held on the campus of Abilene Christian College.

A&M's student representatives are John Jenkins, Wayne Young, Frank Webber, Joe Ross, Jon Hagler, Jim Rowland, Gus Mijalis and Byron Parham.

TISA activities began today with registration and special committee meetings and will wind up Saturday night at the annual banquet. Cedric Foster, nationally-known radio news commentator, will be the featured speaker at the first general session of the convention tomorrow morning. He will speak on "The Students Role in the World Today."

John Jenkins, chairman of A&M's first Scona, will serve on a panel tomorrow afternoon, as a follow-up of Foster's speech, with Foster and Stan Glass, president of the National Student Association.

Specific discussions of student government will be carried on in smaller groups which will have two main topics—"Aims and Pur-

poses of Student Government" and "TISA's Role in Student Government."

Peyton Short, of World University Service, will speak at the Saturday morning general session on "WUS in Action." Following Short's address, resolutions form the ten special Resolutions Committees will be voted on.

Election of new officers for the

### Weather Today



CLOUDY

Scattered clouds are forecasted for College Station today. Yesterday's high was 71 degrees; low, 53 degrees. Temperature at 10:30 this morning was 64 degrees.

group representing some 100,000 Texas students at 38 member schools will be held in the final afternoon session.

This year's officers include Walter Wink of Southern Methodist University, president; Leon Ginsberg of Trinity, vice-president; Mavalene Miles of the University of Houston, secretary; Gus Mijalis, Texas A&M, treasurer; and Lee Baxter of Texas Southern, parliamentarian.

### Cafe Rue Pinalle Features All-Girls

Rue Pinalle will be held Friday night in the game room of the MSC with an all-girl floor show composed of 12 Lamar High School (Houston) girls.

Music for the dance will be provided by the Capers' Combo.

The dance starts at 8:30 p.m. and will last until midnight. Tickets are 75 cents per person and may be purchased at the door or at the bowling alley.

Stags may see the floor show and the remainder of the dance after intermission.

Plans are being made for a new bar and new murals which will be completed in time for the next Rue Pinalle to be held March 16, according to Miss Shirley Cannon, MSC program consultant.