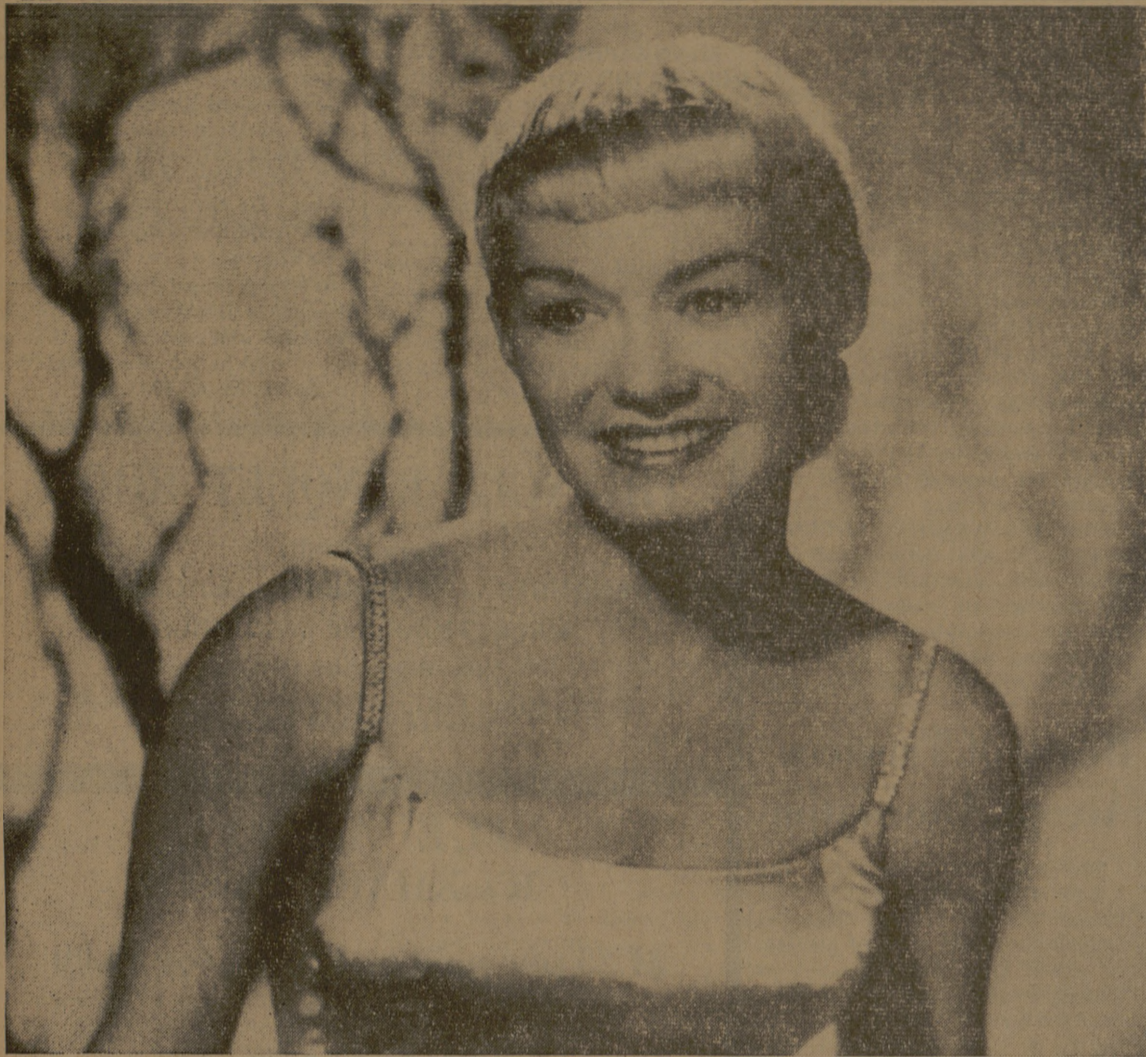


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June Christie
One of Six Featured Acts To Be Here April 4

Six Featured Performers

Top Show Planned April 4

A&M will feature "stars" again April 4, but this time the stars won't be on the shoulders of generals.

A top troupe of showmen and women is being presented that night in White Coliseum as a feature production sponsored by the Student Activities Office.

The program will include Nat King Cole, June Christie, The Four Freshmen, Gary Martin, Patty Thomas and Ted Heath and his orchestra.

This is not a Town Hall Show, and tickets must be purchased for the evening's entertainment at the office of Student Activities, second floor of Goodwin Hall. Prices are

\$2.50 and \$2 for reserved seats and \$1.25 for general admission.

The group has assembled for a cross-country tour under the title of "Record Star Parade of 1956." First show is to begin April 1 in San Antonio.

Cole is one of the singing "idols" of America, having recorded such hit records as "Mona Lisa," "Too Young," "Pretend," following one of his early favorites, "Nature Boy." He also has been in numerous movies, including "Small Town Girl," and "Story of Nat 'King' Cole." Television also has played an important part in his career, and he also has made many tours.

Co-featured with Cole is the British band of Ted Heath, making its initial appearance in America. Heath is making this tour on an exchange agreement, with Stan Kenton and his orchestra going to Britain. Record sales on Heath's band have reached a figure of about 12 million.

June Christie is a former singer with the Kenton band, having gotten the job when Anita O'Day left. She had hit records with the band, including "Tampico," "How High the Moon," and "Willow Weep for Me." She went along on her own

Deadline For Soph Beauty Pictures

Pictures for the Sophomore Sweetheart must be turned in to the Office of Student Activities before March 28. Students entering pictures in the contest must include with the picture their name, box number, and dorm and room number, as well as the girls name, measurements, and hometown.

The Sweetheart will be named at the Sophomore Ball April 14.



ALL SMILES—Maj. Charles H. Brown, sponsor for the Ross Volunteers, and Ernest F. Biehunko, RV commander, are all smiles after receiving an appreciation medal from King Rex. The medal was sent to the RV's after their recent participation in the Mardi Gras parade in New Orleans.

500 Freshmen To Participate In Fish Airlift

More than 500 A&M freshman Air Force ROTC cadets will participate tomorrow in what is probably the largest airlift of college AF ROTC students ever undertaken in the United States.

The cadets will be divided into two groups, including 18 juniors, some seniors and staff members for the air trip to Carswell Air Force Base at Fort Worth, weather permitting.

"Operation Freshmen," as the flight is called will be in the charge of Col. Henry Dittman, professor of air science at A&M. The airlift is part of the orientation of air force training in the Air Science Department.

The first group will leave Easterwood Airport at 6 a.m. and return at 4:15 p.m. The second group will take off at 8:45 a.m. and return at 7 that night.

Planes, pilots and co-pilots for "Operation Freshmen" are being furnished by Kelly, Carswell, Brooks, Goodfellow, Ellington, Bryan and Foster Air Force Bases.

The Air Science Department at A&M is making efforts to influence more students to consider the Air Force as a career, according to Col. Dittman.

The department hopes to fly every cadet, every year, to some military installation. Trips this year have been to Carswell, Edwards and Ellington Air Force Bases.

The basic air science course is designed to teach students how to accept responsibility and to show them opportunities offered by the Air Force. The advanced course gives cadets rigid training in preparation for service.

Friday Last Day To Pay Soph Dues

Friday is the last day for sophomores in the Corps to pay their class dues through company clerks.

Civilian sophomore students may pay their dues either through their dorm representatives or in the office of Student Activities. After Friday, Corps sophomores will have to pay their dues in the Student Activities office.

The money collected from these dues will be used for class functions such as the Sophomore Ball, April 14, according to Robbie Martie Fisher and Bob Hope.

Easter Newspaper Work

Students Will Take Over

Fourteen journalism students from A&M will spend the Easter holidays in Hondo and Navasota publishing the weekly newspapers in those two cities.

Seven students will leave for Navasota and seven for Hondo March 29. They will have the responsibility of gathering and editing news, and selling and planning advertising for the April 5 issue of the Navasota Examiner and the April 6 issue of the Hondo Anvil-Herald.

Editors for the week will be Jim Bower, senior from Victoria, at Navasota and Ralph Cole, senior from Gainesville, at Hondo.

The editorial staff at Navasota will include J. B. McLeroy, junior agricultural journalism major from Fort Worth; Joe Tindel, sophomore journalism major from Athens; and Leland Boyd, junior agricultural journalism major from Chilton.

On the editorial staff at Hondo will be David McLain, sophomore journalism major from Cameron; Barry Hart, junior journalism major from LaMarque; and Connie Eckard, junior journalism major from Irving.

Weather Today

THUNDER SHOWERS

Occasional thunder showers are forecast for College Station. Yesterday's high of 65 degrees dropped to 49 degrees last night. Temperature at 10:30 this morning was 61 degrees.

Heading the advertising staffs will be Jim Bemis, senior journalism major from Prescott, Ark., at Navasota and Ronnie Greathouse, senior journalism major from Kaufman, at Hondo.

The advertising staff at Navasota will include Norman Davidson, senior journalism major from Bryan, and David McReynolds, junior agricultural journalism major from Palestine.

Jerry Weatherby Jr., junior journalism major from Fort Worth, and Mark Smith, sophomore major from Dallas will be the advertising staff at Hondo.

The trips are being made by special arrangements between the

Juniors Travel To Demonstration

More than 200 juniors traveled to Fort Hood today to attend the field day demonstrations presented by the Fourth Army, said Col. D. P. Anderson, PMS&T.

The juniors ate breakfast at 4 a.m., loaded buses at 4:30 a.m. and activities started at 8:15 a.m. at Fort Hood.

The group will see demonstrations of the tank and infantry in attack; tank companies in defense; fire power of armor, infantry and artillery; liaison planes in action and various other maneuvers of the United States Army.

A&M's Muster Day Will Be Held Earlier

Texas Land Commissioner Will Deliver Main Speech

A&M's annual Muster will be held at 6:30 a.m. on the lawn of the Memorial Student Center April 21.

Earl Rudder, Texas Land Commissioner and class '32, will be speaker for the occasion. Ceremonies will be held in White Coliseum if it rains.

Larry Kennedy, Corps commander, will speak on behalf of the Corps of Cadets and John Jones, Civilian Council president, on behalf of the civilian students. B. A. (Scotty) Parham, Student Senate president, will speak on behalf of the student body.

Others to be on the program include Corps chaplain Harry Scott, Paul Holladay, head yell leader; Allen Greer, senior class president; W. L.

Ballard, president of the Former Students Association; the Ross Volunteers and the Singing Cadets.

The Muster Committee, composed of Gus Mijalis, Tommy Short, Bill Swann, Jack Edwards, Richard Tachibana, Byron King and Brad Crockett, felt that A&M should hold the first Muster in the state since "A&M is the parent school for Muster and the source."

This will be the 53rd Muster held, and will be one of more than 400 ceremonies scheduled for all parts of the world.

The Muster ceremony, which is held on the anniversary of the Battle of San Jacinto, honors A&M's deceased students as well as the Texans who won their independence in 1836.

Probably the most famous Muster was the one held on Corregidor a few hours before it fell to the Japanese in the first days of WW II.

Rudder, who was appointed land commissioner early last year, also spoke at the FSA's barbecue honoring graduating seniors last year.

What's Cooking

5:00

Fort Worth A&M Club will have their picture made in front of the Administration Building.

5:15

Lower Trinity Valley Hometown Club will meet on the steps of the Memorial Student Center in winter uniforms to have picture made.

7:15

Newman Club will meet in St. Mary's Student Center to discuss their softball game with TU this weekend.

A&M Journalism Department and the editors of the two papers. The program is designed to enable journalism students to get practical experience in the problems of publishing and selling newspapers.



MUSTER ENTHUSIASTS—From left to right, front row, Brad Crockett, Tommy Short, Bill Swann, Gus Mijalis and Byron King from this year's Muster Committee. Also on the Committee, but not pictured are Jack Edwards and Richard Tachibana. Shown in the rear are, left to right, Jim McMullan, Jr., Harry Scott, Frank Westmoreland, Herbert Whitney, John Jones and B. A. (Scotty) Parham, all participants in the Muster Day ceremonies April 21.

Only Ten Days Left To Get License

Local residents have just 10 more days in which to buy their 1956 license plates without penalty, announced Mrs. James R. Wood of the Brazos County tax collector's office. She urged those who have not yet purchased their tags to do so to avoid the last-minute rush.

The deadline is Saturday, March 31. The county tax collector's office at 214 E. 25th St. in Bryan will be open until 6 p.m. that day. Those who purchase license plates after that time will have to pay a 20 per cent penalty.

License plates will remain on sale in the gift shop area of the Memorial Student Center until noon Monday, March 26.

Students are reminded that they may buy Brazos County plates even if their parents live in another county.

"Students may buy them here if they have a college address," said Miss Evelyn R. Cahill, who is selling the tags in the MSC.

Mrs. Wood said that although 5,500 auto plates have been sold so far, 3,500 passenger cars in Brazos County have not yet been tagged.

Car and truck owners should bring their titles and 1955 license plate tax receipts, she added. Those with out-of-state plates will need an identification inspection by a law enforcement agent before purchasing their license plates.

Speechmasters Plan New Group

Students of A&M still have a chance to improve their speech habits.

Organization of a second group of the A&M Speechmasters Club will be discussed in their weekly meeting Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. in rooms 3A and 3B of the Memorial Student Center.

"Due to the many requests from students and citizens of the College Station-Bryan area," said Don McGinty, administrative vice-chairman of the group, "we are planning to organize another group."

"Persons interested in joining this group are urged to register at the main desk in the MSC before noon Wednesday," he said.

According to McGinty, a second group will be established if there are at least 15 interested persons attending the Wednesday meeting.

The tentatively appointed chairman for the second group is Robert Francis, senior accounting major from El Paso.