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## Off the Cuff What Goes On Here

Don Collins, staff cartoonist for The Battalion, is used to most of the comments thrown at him dealing with his art which we carry during the week. But even Collins was shaken by the remark made to him Saturday morning.

Friday night one of our students was hit crossing the street by the Memorial Student Center. That afternoon The Battalion had appeared with a cartoon drawn by Collins dealing with the pedestrian problem on our campus.

What the questioner wanted to know of Collins was—"How does 'The Batt' plan those accidents?"

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Along the accident theme—John Dobias, freshman landscape architect major from East Bernard, was riding with a group of friends on their way back to A&M Sunday night when they lost a "right of way argument" with a cow.

Although outweighed by 1,350 pounds Old Bossy turned in a good performance as she was able to walk away from the wreck. Damages to the Aggies' 1954 Chevy are estimated at \$400. No one was hurt seriously.

## Thomas To Get \$400 Award At Meeting

Gary E. Thomas, junior mechanical engineering major from Laredo, will be presented a \$400 achievement award tonight at 7 at the regular meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers in the Mechanical Engineering building.

Presenting the award will be W. I. Truetner, faculty advisor to the SAE. The award is sponsored by the Mission Manufacturing Company, Houston. The award was confirmed by Bass Hoyer, personnel director of the company.

"This award is given to students on the basis of academic achievement and personal needs and may be spent anytime during this school year as the student sees fit," said Dr. C. M. Simmang, department head.

Thomas graduated in the top quarter of his class from Martin High School in Laredo prior to entering A&M. His first semester he qualified for Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary scholarship society.

Having an overall g.p.r. of 2.69 Thomas has been a distinguished student four semesters, a member of the Ross Volunteers, scholastic sergeant of Sqd. 7 and parliamentarian of the Laredo Hometown Club.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyons E. Thomas of Laredo.

## Directors Praise Col. H. R. Brayton

A&M's Board of Directors passed a resolution citing services of the late Col. H. R. Brayton to the System and the people of Texas.

Brayton headed the firemen's training program in this state for more than a quarter of a century.

The resolution characterized the late Col. Brayton as a man who "... for nearly 40 years had served the (A&M) System and the people of the State of Texas with distinction ... known as a conscientious and able man, devoted to the best interests of the welfare of the System and the people of this state."

Col. Brayton was formerly with the Chemistry Department here. He had also served as state co-ordinator of planning and survival research for the Texas Office of Civil Defense.

## Weather Today

No precipitation is forecast for the area, but skies are to remain cloudy throughout the day. At 10:30 this morning the temperature was 55 degrees. Yesterday's high was 62 degrees, and the low, 48.



HISTORY MAJORS Ted Hayes and Don Williams have a pre-lecture confab with Dr. Brian Harrison and Dr. Ralph Steen. (l. to r.)

## Brian Harrison To Discuss 'Far East Problems' Tonight

By JOHN WARNER

Brian Harrison, professor of history at the University of Hong Kong, will speak tonight at 8 in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center on "Far Eastern Problems of Today."

Harrison does not feel the countries of Southeast Asia are likely to turn Communist.

"Their main goal is to be on an equal status with the larger and older countries of the world," he said. "They do not wish to become pawns for the big powers."

Harrison, who has been touring Europe and the United States since last March on a Fulbright Travel Award, began teaching in 1936 after graduating from Dublin University in Ireland the year before. His teaching career at the university was interrupted for 3½ years during World War II while he was a prisoner of the Japanese.

"I was hungry, but I got by somehow," he said of his prison-camp experience.

In 1951-52 he was a visiting lecturer in the School of Oriental Studies at London University. He attained his present position with the University of Hong Kong in 1953.

Before coming to A&M Harrison was a visiting professor in the Department of the Southeast Asia Program of the Department of Far Eastern Studies at Cornell University. He and his wife Isabelle, whom married in 1951, are on their way to San Francisco where they will leave for Singapore sometime in March.

## Senate Cancels Late Appointments

AUSTIN, (AP)—Gov. Price Daniel rolled up a unanimous victory over former Gov. Allan Shivers today when the Senate granted his request to pull back six late Shivers appointments.

The six were appointed to the Board of Regents of the University of Texas and the Board of Directors of the Texas A&M College system. Daniel now must name six who then will have to be confirmed. He has said he would reappoint several of those named by Shivers.

Last week, Daniel asked the Senate to return the appointments and based his request on a 24-year-old attorney general's opinion which said such appointments should be made by the incoming rather than the outgoing governor.

Shivers had appointed these men Jan. 10, just a few days before he left office; Joe C. Thompson, Dallas; Thornton Hardie, El Paso, and J. P. Bryan, Freeport, as Texas regents; L. H. Ridout Jr., Dallas; Eugene B. Darby, Pharr, and Herman Heep, Buda, to the A&M board.

Harrison spoke to Vanderbilt and Baylor Universities recently and plans to look over the History Departments of the University of Texas and the University of Arizona before going to San Francisco.

In addition to several magazine articles, he has written "Southeast Asia, a Short History," which was

published in 1954. He likes music and is a member of the Hong Kong Singers. Both he and his wife play golf.

Harrison is the second speaker in the Great Issues programs this year. Tickets will be \$1 at the door or may be purchased at the main desk in the MSC. Season tickets will be honored.

## Ballet Russe Opens Tomorrow Nite at 8

By TOBY MATTOX

The brilliant Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, one of the world's most "restless" conservatories of classic dancing, will be presented by Town Hall tomorrow night in White Coliseum at 8.

Directed by Sergei Denham, leader since its inception in 1938, the Ballet Russe repertoire includes many of the most renowned classical favorites, including "Giselle," "Coppelia," "Swan Lake" and "Les Sylphides."

Tomorrow night's program will open with the Balletic version of the popular Gilbert and Sullivan operetta "The Mikado." Yvonne Chouteau, one of the ballerina stars will be leading the Three Little Girls from School as the beautiful Yum-Yum.

Prima ballerina Nina Novak and premier danseur Igor Youskevitch

will dance the great virtuoso classic duet, the "Black Swan" to the music of Tchaikowsky.

"Sombremos," a ballet pictured in a Mexican village setting, will be the third act. It is a very bright and gay ballet danced to Mexican folk tunes and colored by brilliant costumes.

Closing the evening's program will be one of the most popular ballets in the entire repertoire, Leonide Massine's great "Gaité Parisienne," laid in an atmospheric Paris Cafe.

The Ballet Russe, descendant from Russia, has devoted itself almost entirely to presenting ballet in North America and each year its tour by bus and truck covers over 20,000 miles. The company gives in the neighborhood of 200 performances in a hundred-odd cities to an audience of over a million.

## Dispute Rises Over Zoning At CS City Council Meeting

By WELTON JONES

Tempers flared and angry words were exchanged, as some 40 residents of the College Hills area protested proposed zoning changes last night before the College Station City Council.

Other action taken included passing a new dog law, setting city speed limits, discussing the proposed underpass on Farm Road 60, authorizing several purchases and removing personal automobile taxes.

A. G. Anderson presented a petition from about 100 residents of College Hills demanding that rezoning of four lots in that section be upheld and that they remain residential lots. The Council rejected the change, to the applause of about 40 residents of the area, after a great deal of debate.

C. E. Dillon, city attorney, expressed doubt that certain zoning restrictions were still in effect, since they had been violated so often.

Many people present disagreed with Dillon and several persons spoke out against the attorney, saying the Council had no power to change zoning restrictions found

in the original contracts.

The Council voted to disregard recommendations of the zoning committee, who made the recommendations after a petition from several land owners on Highway 6 asked for business zoning.

C. B. Thames, district traffic engineer for the State Highway Commission, appeared before the Council to discuss the proposed railroad underpass on Farm Road 60. The Commission, in an Official Minute, set aside funds and authorization to build the underpass if the City of College Station would donate right of way.

The council voted to grant the right of way and to investigate some proposed changes that the two railroads involved may make.

City Ordinance 248, concerning confinement of dogs, was passed by the Council. The new law calls for all dogs running loose to be licensed and vaccinated. Female dogs "in season" will not be permitted to run loose at any time.

At any time, the Mayor can declare a state of emergency due to an epidemic of rabies or other reasons, and require all dogs not confined to wear muzzles. Dogs

# Flight Program Awaiting Nod Of Air Force

## Polio Shots Still Attract Many Aggies

Seven hundred more Aggies have become immunized against polio in the last ten days, according to Dr. Charles Lyons, college hospital superintendent.

Dr. Lyons said that sufficient Salk serum was on hand to immunize student desiring to start the eight-month series before the polio season starts. Cost per shot is \$1.

"No polio shots will be given on Thursdays for the next four weeks because of summer camp immunizations to be given at that time," Dr. Lyons said. "Students may begin the Salk series any other day, however," he said.

## Proposal May Be Accepted In Next Two, Three Days

By JIM NEIGHBORS

Flight training leading to private pilot's licenses for AFROTC cadets may begin within the next two or three days if a proposal signed by Chancellor M. T. Harrington is approved by the Air Force.

Col. Henry Dittman, professor of Air Science, received the proposal last night and said he would call officials at Maxwell AFB, Ala., this morning and find out if the proposal was acceptable. If it is, he will personally fly it there.

At the A&M Board of Directors' meeting Saturday, the board accepted the proposal and low bid from a Dallas flying school for the sub-contract. According to the proposal, a short-term contract will be made with a flying service which will supply the planes and instructors for the program.

## Directors Okay Athletic Dorm Primary Plans

Preliminary plans and a proposal for financing a three-story dormitory building for athletes at A&M were approved Saturday by the board of directors.

Detailed plans for the brick concrete building, to house 80 to 92 students, were ordered drawn. Chancellor M. T. Harrington was authorized to advertise for bids on construction, to be acted on by the board of directors at its next regular meeting, in April.

The building is to be paid for out of income of the intercollegiate athletic program of the college. Securities for \$500,000 are to be issued, pledging income of the athletic program over a 15-year period for their retirement.

Plans call for a three-story dormitory with basement, providing 40 to 46 dormitory rooms, a lounge, study room and an efficiency apartment to be occupied by one of the coaches and his wife.

Present estimates indicate the building and equipment may cost less than the \$500,000 included in the issue. In case sufficient extra funds are available the number of rooms will be increased and a small snack bar may be added to the plans.

In the bid by the flying school awarded the contract, \$10 for solo and \$15 for dual training was the amount given. The college added \$1 per hour for operating costs and use of hangar facilities at Easterwood Airport.

Earlier proposals made to officials at Air University had all been turned down because of the high expense. The program is set up so that the college will handle the training of the 120 men eligible for the program. Due to the high cost of equipment for the program, it was necessary to sub-contract to a private flying school.

Air Force students will receive 35 hours ground school training in the advanced air science classes and then will have 35 hours of dual control and solo training in the air. After completing the program and passing a written exam given under the auspices of the Civil Aeronautics Association, each student will receive his private flying license.

At the present time, only senior category I (pilot) contract students are eligible for the program. The only connection the Air Force will have with the training is the ground school training they are giving the cadets plus paying for the program.

While approving the flight program for the Air Force, the Board of Directors also approved one for the Army even though no plans as yet have been settled for their training.



HUNGARIANS AND AGGIES mixed it up at Downs Natatorium last night as part of the Hungarian Athletes Freedom Tour. The 1956 Olympic champion water polo team was split up to make the contest even.

—(Photo by John West)