

Aggies Inflamed at Rumored Firing Of SWC-Blackballed Coach Loeffler

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Surovik Wins Senate Presidency Unopposed

'A' Bomb Blast Scheduled For Grove Saturday

"Operation Sandstone," a film describing an atomic bomb blast, will be shown Saturday night at 7:30 in The Grove with no admission being charged.

"This is all a part of 'Operation Flick,'" said C. E. (Chuck) Garcia, Signal Corps junior in charge of the program. "We plan to show films dealing with military subjects every Saturday night. 'Operation Flick' will be sponsored by the Signal Corps in an effort to promote spirit and rivalry between outfits on the campus."

The films will be shown in the Memorial Student Center in case of inclement weather," he said.

"We will select films that will familiarize people with the activities of the different branches of service and their functions in the national defense. At the same time we will have non-technical films that will be of interest to everyone," he said.

This week "Operation Flick" will also feature shorter films entitled: "Hell on Wheels" (Armor), "Infantry Against Tanks," "Necessity of Aircraft," "Artillery Support" and a series on service organizations in action, such as "Unseen Army (Ordnance Corps)."

Lamar High Choir Sings Here Tonite

The 125-voiced Lamar High School "Choralettes" of Houston will give a free concert in G. Rolie White Coliseum tonight at 7:30.

Under the direction of Lee S. Keding, Houston, the group will fill the Coliseum with such tunes as "Autumn Leaves," "Mr. Wonderful," "In the Still of the Night," "I Could Have Danced All Night," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," a medley of "Oklahoma" tunes and many other popular songs.

Some of their recent appearances were on the Les Brown show, the National Automobile show, at the Houston Rotary Club, Baylor and Southern Methodist Universities and Rice Institute.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Ike Charges Senators

Senate Passes Slashed Bills Despite Eisenhower's Appeal

WASHINGTON, — (AP) — The Senate, brushed aside President Eisenhower's appeal for support of his budget last night and passed a State and Justice Departments money bill slashed \$102,564,000 under his request.

It stripped the U.S. Information Agency's budget request of \$144 million dollars down to \$90,200,000. It also recommended USIA be put back in the State Department, and that the agency end any overseas activities competing with private American agencies.

Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Democratic leader, dominated the debate, which followed the President's nationwide radio TV speech last night urging ac-

Houston Takes Yell Leader By 2 Votes

Winning an unopposed seat as 1958 Student Senate president yesterday was Bob Surovik who tallied 462 of the 582 votes cast in the general election.

Don Houston defeated civilian yell leader candidate Robert Ring by a small margin of two votes, receiving 74 against Ring's 72.

John G. Thomas, who rang up 210 votes, will fill the vice-presidential seat in next year's Senate. Other candidates for the position were Wallis D. McNeill, 197 votes and Gary Pepper, 89.

Running unopposed for Senate recording secretary was Joseph John Sekerka. He acquired 457 votes. Charles (Woody) Rice defeated John R. Doshier for the post of Senate Parliamentarian, securing 275 votes. Doshier received 228.

Pat Resley was elected chairman of the Issues Committee and obtained 297 votes defeating the only other candidate for the position, Jerry A. Horn by 102 votes.

Public Relations Committee chairman for next year is Bill W. Libby. He compiled 327 votes while his opponents Thomas E. Reddin and James Hudson received 131 and 70 votes respectively.

Teddy R. Lowe was elected chairman of the Student Life Committee and tallied 302 votes. John Long was runnerup with 165 and William Wafer tallied 61 votes.

James Brady emerged as winner in the race for Student Welfare Committee chairman by out-pointing Charles H. Robison by 47 votes. Brady received 267 and Robison 220.

Filings for school representatives to the Senate opened this morning and will close Tuesday, May 21, at 12 noon. One sophomore and one junior from each school will be elected to the Senate.

Election of the representatives is scheduled for Thursday, May 23. In order to qualify, a candidate must have a 1.25 g. p. r. Five men from each class will be picked for the Election Commission at the same time. A 1.0 g.p.r. is required to qualify.

Schultz Wins Third In Essay Contest

John C. Schultz III, Business Administration major from Brownsville, tied for third-place in the annual San Antonio Export-Import Club Essay Contest just concluded. He was awarded a medal for construction work in the contest.

Further information and application forms may be obtained at the post office or from the Regional Director, Eighth U. S. Civil Service Region, Room 103, 1114 Commerce St., Dallas, Texas.

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Eisenhower later challenged congressional budget cutters to show him how they can slash his defense program without trifling with the nation's safety.

The President also defended anew his \$71,800,000,000 budget by telling a news conference that government in 1957 must "study carefully the needs of the people today, not of 1860."

Weather Today

With mostly cloudy skies, scattered showers are again forecast for the area today. Temperature reading at midmorning—83 degrees. Wednesday's high—90. Low last night—73.

Fletcher Picked To Head A&M Teacher's Club

Robert H. Fletcher of the Mechanical Engineering Department was chosen president and Dr. A. B. Medlen, Biology, vice-president, at the A&M Chapter of the American Association of University Professors' final meeting this year held in the Biology Lecture Room Tuesday night.

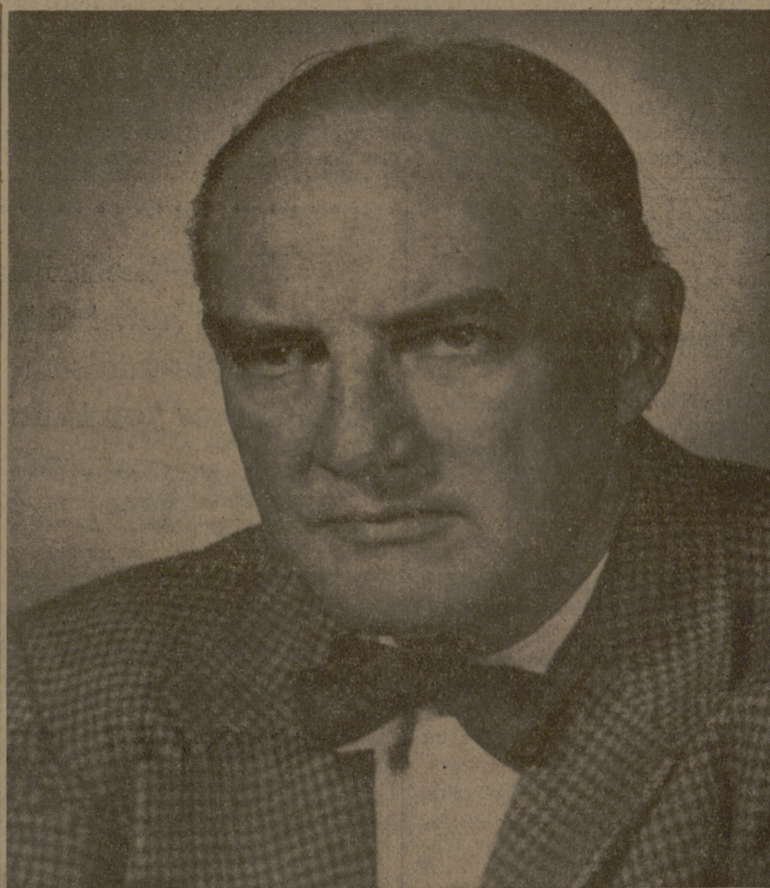
Fletcher and Medlen succeed Dr. Sidney O. Brown, Biology, and Mike Krenitsky, Cushing Library, president and vice-president, respectively, during the last term. Walter S. Manning of Business Administration has a year left on his two-year secretary-treasurer term.

Dr. J. Q. Hays of the English Department, a member of the National Council of AAUP, gave a report in which he explained the purpose of the association—defending the principles of academic freedom and tenure and working for teacher benefits.

Tests Available For A New CS Mailman

Examinations for a substitute clerk-carrier at \$1.82 per hour for employment in the College Station post office was announced by the U. S. Civil Service Commission this week.

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COACH KEN LOEFFLER

Will he stay?

Girls, Awards To Highlight Press Banquet

Vanity Fair final judging and presentation of awards for student publication work highlight the 1957 Press Club Banquet Friday night in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center.

Jim Bower, editor of the Battalion for the past year, will serve as master of ceremonies for the banquet, which is held each year honoring student publications workers.

A Smorgasbord dinner at 7 p. m. kicks off the affair, with Bower taking over afterward for the entertainment and presentation of awards.

Dr. Carroll D. Laverty, chairman of the Student Publications Board will give the opening address. Homer Garrison, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety will then present Bower a \$500 check for The Battalion as first prize in the national safety issue contest for daily college newspapers.

Editors and their staffs of all student publications for the past year are to be introduced and the editors presented watches. Outgoing editors will then introduce their successors.

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Junior Boot Dance Plans Being Made

Plans are now being formulated for the annual Boot Dance given by the junior class for the new Corps seniors the night after final review.

This year's dance is scheduled for the Memorial Student Center Ballroom. It will begin at 9 p. m., with the Aggie Combo playing until 12.

Juniors with class dues membership cards will be admitted to the dance for \$2 a couple, otherwise the charge is \$3 for the semi-formal dance.

Two Seniors Hurt In Wreck Tuesday

Two Aggies were injured Tuesday at 12:45 a.m. when their car overturned after hitting a concrete culvert on the Jones Bridge Road.

Robert Bruce Martin and Jerry Lee Marchbanks, both seniors, told O. L. Luther, investigating officer of the Texas highway patrol, they hit the culvert after swerving to miss some cows in the road just beyond a curve they had made.

Martin, the driver of the car, said his headlights were directed to the side of the road and he was unable to see the cows until he was almost upon them.

He turned to one side and then the other trying to stay on the road. Upon hitting the culvert the car flipped due to the sudden impact, he said.

Martin suffered cuts and bruises around the ankle and ribs. Marchbanks was bruised and shaken up.

The car was a total loss, Luther said.

Both men are seniors here.

In a last-ditch effort to squelch the rumored firing of Ken Loeffler, Corps and Civilian leaders will meet with President D. W. Williams today to present a petition asking that the college support the popular basketball coach.

Head Yell Leader Bill Dorsey has called a school-wide yell practice for 7:30 p.m. in the Grove to give further student support to Loeffler, who has been charged on four counts by the Southwest Conference.

Former Students clubs in Houston, Beaumont and San Antonio are also circulating petitions to be presented to Williams.

A strong rumor persists that the nationally famous cage mentor will be fired by the college before the end of the week. The SWC has asked that Williams render a decision before the NCAA meets May 30.

A&M just completed a two-year probation May 14, and athletic department officials are concerned over the possibilities of further restrictions to the program. The Aggies had been forbidden to participate in any NCAA sponsored athletic event, including post-season football games.

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Cadet Colonel of the Corps Jack Lunsford and four other students met with President D. W. Williams this morning at 10, asking the President's support of basketball coach Ken Loeffler who it is rumored is to be fired.

The other students were Don Butter and three basketball players, Wayne Lawrence, 6-9 freshman star, and graduating co-captains of the A&M team, George Mehahey and Ted Harrod.

Lunsford met with Williams to report the backing of Loeffler by the student body and said "I have a majority of the students behind me and they believe as I do, that the coach should be given full support and retained at A&M."

"The boys were very fine," said Williams, after talking to the group. "I was very glad to hear from them and get their viewpoint."

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Let's take the charges one at a time and examine the NCAA and SWC's case against A&M and Coach Loeffler. No names are mentioned by either organization but there is little doubt left as to who is concerned.

The first charge is of trying out prospective athletes. Loeffler denies that he or anyone else arranged the so-called "workout".

"This all took place before I came to A&M to take over as head coach of basketball," says Loeffler. "I was notified by wire the job was mine and I was to stay up East and recruit. I knew about

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New Car Regulations Approved By President

New vehicle regulations have been approved and issued by President D. W. Williams including registration and use of the registration and fine money. New regulations on the enforcement of these rules have also been approved by the president.

These changes came from a list of recommendations by the president's appointed College Traffic Committee, which consists of staff members and students of a Student Senate committee.

Students who operate motor vehicles on the campus next year will have to pay a \$2 registration fee and those attending summer school will have to pay a proportional fee.

Staff members will have to pay a \$1 fee for registering their cars but it will be good as long as the vehicle is operated on the campus.

Parking fines will be \$2 next fall and moving vehicle fines will

be \$3. Fines will have to be paid within 72 hours next fall or a delinquent fine of \$5, as was charged this year, will be charged. This means that if a person wishes to appeal a fine he must do so within the 72 hour limit.

A person who cannot or will not pay a fine may be restricted from driving on the campus and from permitting any other person to drive his vehicle on the campus for a period of 30 days for each pending violation notice.

Restricted student which violate the terms of his restriction will be required to pay, within 10 days, each fine notice he has received plus an additional delinquent fine.

Failure to do this will be considered an act of disrespect to the college authorities and the matter then ceases to be one of traffic violation and becomes a disciplinary matter to be handled in accordance with college regulations, according to Bennie Zinn, head of Student Activities.

If a staff member is restricted and he violates his restriction a report will be forwarded to his dean or to the head of his department for action.

Fifty cents of the \$2 registration fee will be used to cover costs associated with registration. The remaining \$1.50 and the money derived from traffic fines will be placed in a special fund for the development and maintenance of parking areas.

Improvement of the parking lots by hard surfacing all the lots considered permanent and constructing curbs and gutters in those lots for proper drainage is listed with the development part of the program. Installation of lights in the lots when necessary and marking of parking lanes to attain the proper spacing of the cars is also included.