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**'Moonwatchers'
To Join First
National Alert**

A&M's "Operation Moonwatch," the name given to the Earth Satellite Visual Tracking Program, will meet Friday night at 7 in the lobby of the Physics Building to track a meteor, a new satellite of the earth, a coast to coast flying plane or all three.

This alert is on a nation-wide basis, and moonwatch stations all over the country will train their telescopes skyward in the first nation-wide visual tracking program.

Operation Moonwatch's objectives are to plot and track the Vanguard Satellite, which will be launched some time in the future. Scheduled to be completed within two years, the data obtained from observing the artificial satellite will be used to determine the forces effecting the earth and the possibility of survival in outer space. Information obtained by the local station will be forwarded to the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, where all the data is collected and evaluated.

**Armed Forces To
Parade Saturday**

The Texas Aggie Band will lead a parade of several schools and military units in downtown Bryan Saturday morning at 10:30 in honor of Armed Forces Day.

Along with the parade, Bryan AFB is planning an open house of all military units in the area, starting at 1 p.m. Displays on the base will include several static displays of the aircraft stationed there in addition to movies, fire-fighting demonstrations, helicopter demonstrations and ejection seat practice.

Fly-overs by various type aircraft throughout the day is also scheduled. Bryan and College Station will have flights of F-100's, F9F's, C123's and T-33's over their city throughout Saturday afternoon.

**\$1,300 Raised For
Stricken Senior**

Funds collected by the welfare committee of the Student Senate for Vic Zuckero, Simonton senior, who was stricken with spinal meningitis, now total over \$1,300.

According to Dr. John E. Marsh Jr., Zuckero's condition is improving but he is still "a long way from recovery." Now is conscious and able to eat solid foods.

Hospital expenses exceed \$100 a day and the Senate, in an effort to aid the stricken senior, recently set up barrels and buckets in various places around the campus for student donations. Originally, they set \$600 as their goal.

Zuckero was injured in an intramural softball May 8 and was rushed to St. Joseph Hospital in Bryan where he has been since that time.

**Garrison Will Present \$500
Safety Award to Battalion**

Col. Homer Garrison, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, will present The Battalion a check for \$500 for winning first place in the College Newspaper Contest on Public Safety at the Student Publications Awards Banquet tonight.

The Battalion has won cash awards totaling \$1,300 in the past five years. It has won first place twice, third three times and a second place in 1950.

This year colleges from 28 states submitted 278 entries in the daily publication contest which The Battalion entered.

Jim Bower, editor of The Battalion for the past year, will serve as master of ceremonies for tonight's banquet, which is held an-



BIG MOMENT in the life of an Aggie is to step into the huge ring with his girl during the annual Ring Dance to have her turn the ring around signifying graduation.

**Ring Dance Set
For Saturday Nite**

By RONALD EASLEY
Four years of hard work and perseverance will be climaxed for the class of 1957 with the annual Senior Ring Dance Saturday night at 8 in Sbis Hall.

Highlight of the senior's big evening will be the annual picture in one of the two gold ring replicas with his date. This ring tradition, was started 17 years ago by the class of 1940; they felt that this valued symbol of an Aggie's achievements and hopes should be included in the dance program.

To begin the evening's activities there will be a banquet in Duncan Hall at 6. Program for the banquet will begin with the introduction of honored guests by Senior Class President Douglas DeCluitt. Max Stansbury, Industrial Manager of the Continental Oil Company will speak on "The Man Most Likely."
Seniors and their dates will dance to the music of Jan Garber and his orchestra. Garber's orchestra has played for audiences in such well known places as the Aragon Ballroom in Chicago and the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans and is one of the nation's leading orchestras.

An "Old South" theme will be featured in the decorations at Sbis. The walkway up to the

**Parent Day Events
Scheduled for TV**

"Texas in Review" will present A&M's Parents Day activities during the week of May 20.

"Texas in Review" is a Humble Oil Company's television program which is presented over 24 television stations.

nally to honor student publications workers.

The evening dinner consists of a Smorgasbord which begins at 7 with Bower taking over the reins after the dinner for the presentation of awards and entertainment.

Dr. Carroll D. Laverty, chairman of the Students Publications Board, will give the opening address.

**Commission Oaths
Slated For Army**

All army cadets that will be commissioned are requested to meet in the Biological Sciences Lecture Room at 4 p.m. Friday May 24 to take their oath of office, according to Capt. M. G. Stafford.

entrance will be lined with candles; the entrance itself will be prepared as if it was the entrance to an old colonial mansion.

Another highlight of the dance will be the presentation of the six top "Vanity Fair" beauties, chosen from the twelve finalists in the contest.

"This will be the largest ring dance in the history of A&M," said general chairman Durward Thompson. There have been 1,200 tickets sold for the affair.

Other committee chairmen besides Thompson include Jack T. Steel, program chairman; Don W. Green, guest chairman; Joe David Ross, banquet chairman; Jon F. Cobb, decoration chairman; Billy B. Carter, ring ceremony chairman. On the ticket committee are James L. Hudson and James Starr. Seniors and their dates are urged to be on time for the pictures at their assigned time and ring, says Thompson.

**Lions Hear Chorus
At Weekly Meeting**

Lions Club members met Monday for their regular weekly meeting in the Memorial Student Center Assembly Room with President Leland Grumbles presiding.

Presenting the program at the meeting the Consolidated High School Chorus under the direction of Robert Boone. The chorus sang several numbers and closed their program with the finale from the Night of Music show they are giving tonight at the CHS Auditorium.

Editors of the student publications will be presented watches and they will in turn introduce the new editors.

Don Burt, Aggieband '57 Editor, will introduce the 12 Vanity Fair beauties and the selection committee will choose six to be represented in the Aggieband '57 with full pages. The remaining six will be placed on two pages in the yearbook.

Bower will announce The Battalion awards and Kenneth Pierce and Delmar Cassidy, co-editors of the Southwestern Veterinarian, will announce their awards.

Sam Houston State Teachers College students will provide entertainment for the banquet, featuring song, dance and musical acts.

**Loeffler Given Vote
Of Trust, Will Stay****Senate Passes
Bill To Double
College Tuition**

AUSTIN, (AP)—In an almost unprecedented move yesterday, the Senate stripped its calendar to get to a bill doubling tuition in state supported colleges and universities and finally passed it, 15-13.

The vote came about three hours after Sen. Jarrad Secrest of Temple, the bill's sponsor, said it was "extremely unlikely" that the bill would pass.

About 9½ million dollars will be collected from the bill by increasing tuition from \$25 to \$50 a semester for resident students. The money will go to pay salaries and create new positions in state supported four year schools. Part of the funds also will be used for a scholarship fund for needy students.

One amendment specifically stated that the 9½ million dollars would go for increasing the college teachers pay and establishing the scholarship fund. The fund would be used for students who could not afford the \$50 and showed they were capable of doing college work.

**Army Offers
200 Graduates
Career Plan**

Faculty members and graduate students in colleges and universities, with or without prior military service, have an opportunity to become Regular Army career specialists in the Army's technical services, according to an announcement by Lt. Gen. John H. Collier, commanding general, 4th Army.

The new "Project 200" calls for 200 qualified specialists to be commissioned and given assignments in research and development in critical fields.

No military background is needed, but appointees must be able to meet 20 years of service by their 55th birthday. Applicants must either hold a doctor's degree, a master's degree with three year's experience, or a bachelor's degree with five year's experience.

Immediate career opportunities are open in fields of physics, engineering, mathematics, biology and other technical fields.

These opportunities are also open to active and inactive reserve officers and individuals employed both in industry and government.

**Drum Majors For
Next Year Picked**

Reagon George, junior architecture major from Dallas, was chosen yesterday to lead the Texas Aggie Band next year.

Also selected from a field of 11 applicants at the annual tryouts were Raymond Roycroft, of Goliad, and C. T. (Skipper) Kirksey, lead the Maroon and White Bands, respectively.

Applicants were graded on their ability to lead the band, both marching and playing, by a representative from each class in the band, the three drum majors for this year, Lt. Col. E. V. Adams, Band Director, and outgoing drum majors.

**Weather Today
PARTLY CLOUDY**

Thursday temperatures ranged from 91 maximum to 71 minimum. At mid-morning today the reading was 81.

**Williams Forbids
Coach to Recruit**

By JIM CARRELL

Ken Loeffler, A&M basketball coach, was given a surprising vote of confidence by the administration when he was retained in his position by President D. W. Williams.

Williams handed down the decision yesterday at 4 p.m. after the case of recruiting violations brought by the Southwest Conference was passed on to him. The conference met last Saturday.

The action taken, an implied reprimand, included the statement that "hereafter Coach Loeffler's duties will be confined to coaching of the varsity basketball team and will not involve recruiting."

Loeffler said the backing he got from the president and the student body in the recruiting charges brought against him by the SWC was "the most heartwarming thing I've ever known."

"The students were wonderful and I appreciate everything that everyone has done for me. Wednesday night a group of students came over to my house and told how they were behind me and backing me in this thing. I'm pretty old, 54, but this renews my faith in youth, which I had been told was pretty cold and sophisticated."

A release from the President's office states the college "will continue to honor its contract which runs to March 31, 1958 with basketball coach Ken Loeffler unless additional evidence is submitted to substantiate the charge of having furnished a round trip airplane ticket . . . to a basketball player at Christmas, 1955, which Coach Loeffler flatly denies."

The decision has been made and the "hot potato" which the SWC pitched in the lap of A&M's President Williams has now been tossed to the NCAA for action in its meeting on May 31 in Chicago.

However, indications are that the SWC still reserves the right to handle the case as it sees fit. Howard Grubbs, executive secretary of the SWC declined comment on action of the president but said the conference could take action in the case and could levy a penalty and that because the case had been passed on to Williams did not mean it was washing its hands of the matter.

The conference has postponed further action until the next meeting and according to Grubbs there has been no call as yet for a special meeting and unless there was one the conference would take no action until the winter meeting.

Williams declared two of the charges to be of a technical nature and that Loeffler had admitted his guilt. The charges came when he was first hired by the school and at a time when he was not familiar with conference regulations.

A third charge of lavish entertainment in the "Jackie Moreland case" required no further action, according to the president, since Loeffler had already been reprimanded by the conference in December.

The charge which remains, and (See LOEFFLER, Page 2)

**June 6 to Mark
Vet Med Parley**

W. W. Armistead, Dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, will give the welcome address at the tenth annual Texas Conference for Veterinarians to be held here June 6-7.

Outstanding authorities from throughout the country are scheduled to take an active part in the conference. It is expected to draw about 250 veterinarians for the two day period.

Zollie C. Steakley, Texas secretary of state, will deliver an address at the conference banquet at 6:45 p.m., June 6. Dr. R. D. Turk is chairman of the committee for the conference.

The Texas Veterinary Medical Association meets in business session at 3:45 p.m., June 6.

**Decisions On
Atomic Arms
Race Expected**

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Harold Stassen returns to Washington today for consultations that are expected to bring important new decisions on U. S. policy for negotiations to end the atomic arms race.

One question likely to be decided in the next 10 days is the location and extent of a test area for the "open skies" inspection plan to which the United States might be willing to agree.

Secretary of State Dulles suggested at a news conference Tuesday that such a zone might more easily be carved out in the Arctic regions of Alaska, Northern Canada and Siberia than in populous Eastern Europe with all of its complicated political problems.

Stassen's consultations with Dulles, President Eisenhower and others, it is understood, will be pointed toward decisions by the National Security Council next week on specific positions which Stassen may take when he returns to London. Disarmament negotiations in the United Nations subcommittee there May 27.

The sub-committee recessed its talks yesterday after two months of meetings. In that time, Dulles said, about 15 specific proposals were introduced.

**Nagle Hall Opens
3 Floors in June**

Nagle Hall, which is being completely remodeled on the inside, is scheduled to open the top three floors for classes in time for the first summer session.

The basement, which will house the entire journalism department, will be open in time for the fall semester.

Housed in the old Civil Engineering Building along with the journalism department will be the history, economics, and geography departments, and the offices of the Dean of the Graduate School.

New features in the building include new desks, air conditioning in the main lecture room, the dark-rooms and the offices and extensive interior remodeling.

A representative from the American Seating Company, which manufactured the new one armed desks being used, will be on the campus the 20th of May to install them.



PUTTING THE FINISHING touches on the Journalism Department soon to be located on the ground floor of Nagle Hall is Tom Shaumfield, shown installing a fluorescent light. Watching with interest are (left to right) Warren R. Simmons and John Jefferson.