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## Russia Denies Shooting Man To Outer Space

MOSCOW, (AP)—Soviet officials in a position to know said last night they have no information about a Russian rocket carrying a man into space.

A spokesman for the Soviet Academy of Sciences and the Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries made this response to questions about Monday's unofficial reports that a Soviet rocket shot 186 miles up shortly after Jan. 1 and that the man aboard parachuted successfully.

A spokesman, questioned along similar lines by Western correspondents, said he was unable to say anything about the accounts published abroad. Asked if the Soviet government would have an announcement on the subject, the spokesman said so far as he knew there was no communique in sight.

A Moscow radio broadcast heard in London quoted the official Soviet news agency Tass as saying it knew nothing of a manned rocket flight. It quoted the agency's deputy director as saying it was "completely incomprehensible" to him how Western news agencies had obtained such a report. In Washington, the White House said it is not known there if the story is true or not.

Western correspondents in Moscow reported continuing difficulties with Soviet censors. Associated Press Bureau Chief Harold K. Milks advised one AP story had been held up by censors and referred to another which had not been received in New York.

A Moscow radio broadcast monitored in the West Sunday said, "There is no actual flight by a man in a cosmic ship today." The home service broadcast was a fictional account of the launching of a manned satellite into orbit and a radio conversation between the passenger and the ground station.

## 571 Visit Campus During December

Visitors on the campus during December numbered 571.

The visitors attended short courses, conferences, class reunions and other scheduled meetings, according to P. L. Downs Jr., the college's official greeter.

For June through December the total number of visitors was 9,450.

## 12 Man Staff

## Campus Security Serves Aggieland

By RONALD EASLEY

In a small inconspicuous office in the basement of the YMCA building is one of the most important organizations on the campus, the Campus Security.

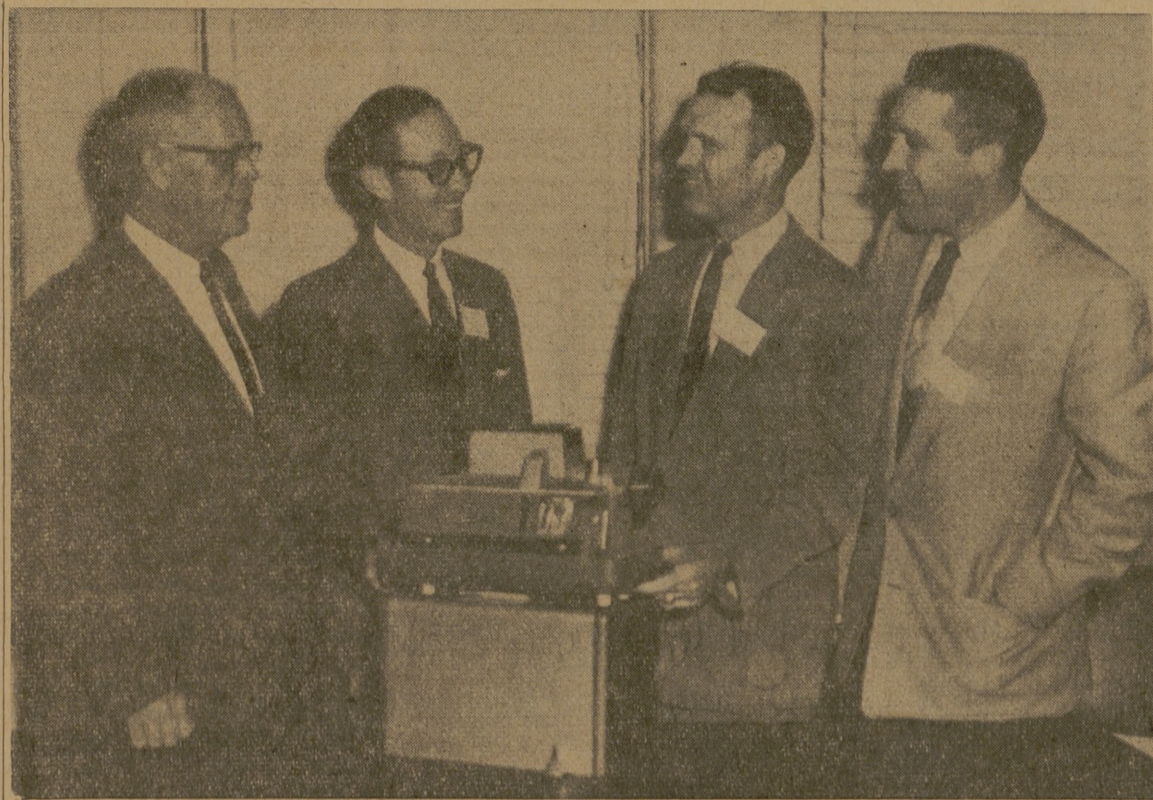
Heading a force of 10 patrolmen and one secretary is Campus Security Chief Fred Hickman. Hickman has held this position since 1945 when the Campus Security, which until then was affiliated with the Office of the Commandant, became a separate organization.

The Campus Security, contrary to popular belief, is not a punitive agency, but a fact-gathering agency, which furnishes information for many other departments on the campus.

The official lost and found post for the campus is the Campus Security office. When a lost item is brought into the office a card with a description of the article and the date it was found is put on file.

In addition, a number of files are kept in this office. Campus Security maintains files on student behavior, burglary and crime, automobile permits with cards showing the permit number, license number and name for each car on the campus, and a traffic violation notices file.

Students pay their traffic viola-



In Appreciation

Dr. John S. Rogers, second from right, head of the Agronomy Department, accepts a new automatic slide projector from Archie T. Edwards, Manager of the Red Star Fertilizer Division, Southern Farm Supply Association, for use by the department. Looking on

are Dr. J. F. Fudge, left, of the Agricultural Experiment Station and Bill Bennett, of the Extension Service. The equipment was given in appreciation for work done in soil fertility research, extension and teaching.

—Battalion Staff Photo

## Students Opposed

## Local Business Owners For A&M Co-Education

Co-education should be started as quickly as possible at A&M was the opinion of a group of Bryan and College Station merchants interviewed yesterday.

Three corps students and one businessman, on the other hand, said they thought it would be detrimental to the school.

Waves of discussion and speculation have been touched off by a recent editorial in the Bryan Daily Eagle advocating co-education at A&M.

The merchants argued that co-education would be good for the community and for the college both. The students, however, saw in the beginning of co-education lowering of the high military standards and traditions established by the Corps in the past.

Ed Garner, owner of the Student Co-op Store at the North Gate said, "A&M doesn't have the spirit it used to have in the 'old army' days. The boys attending A&M now are just different type boys than those who went there then. Boys today just want the advantages of a Co-ed school."

"Then too A&M would be helped academically by co-education. A&M used to be the only school offering Agricultural courses. Boys are now going to other schools that are co-educational for their agriculture instead of A&M."

"Yes, A&M should go co-ed, said Tommy Arhopulos, Twelfth Man Inn Owner. "It would be for the good of the school and the community. The sooner A&M goes co-ed, the better."

One College Station merchant, J. E. Loupot, disagreed:

"At A&M a boy is known for what he is, not what he has. A boy doesn't need social prestige to attend A&M. Many boys who couldn't afford to attend a co-ed school come here. A boy just naturally spends more money at a co-ed school."

"And as for the argument that we need increased enrollment," Loupot went on, "I'm in favor of improving the quality we have now rather than increasing the quantity."

Two Bryan merchants expressed their favor of co-education.

Tom Davis of Davis Auto Supply in Bryan saw it as a need for the school and the community both.

"I believe co-education would double the enrollment of A&M in ten years," said Davis, "But it doesn't look as if co-education will come in the near future."

Three students in the Corps stood firm in their opinion that A&M doesn't need co-eds.

"A&M was built on the Corps of Cadets," said Jack Westerfield, Corps senior. "The Corps just wouldn't be the same with girls here. It would be no different than

## Traffic Problems Discussed by A&S

Campus traffic problems were discussed at the Arts and Sciences Council meeting Monday night in the Memorial Student Center.

A committee headed by Don Cloud, economics junior, was appointed to collect grievances on the problem. They will make a list and present it to the council at its next meeting, Feb. 2.

ROTC's of any other co-ed school." Noel Kelley, sophomore from Paris, had this to say: "With co-education we would be just another ROTC. But I don't think A&M could go co-ed. There are too many exes opposed to it."

A Henrietta junior, Robert Tinsley said, "A&M just wouldn't be the place for co-education. It wouldn't be possible to have any discipline in the Corps with it."

In the wake of the board's decision to make ROTC compulsory the arguments pro and con continued, but only time will tell whether A&M will leave the thinning ranks of all-male colleges.

## Scientific Head Says US Leads In Technology

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Eisenhower's top scientific adviser said last night Russia has not passed the United States yet in the general technological field "but she has a strong will to do so."

Dr. James R. Killian Jr., said this country, to stay in front, must invigorate scientific education and put more sustained effort into advanced research.

"Too much of our research has been subject to stops and starts and changing levels of support or short-term financing," he said.

In a speech prepared for a Women's National Press Club dinner, Killian said:

"Let me make my conviction immediately clear that the United States today is technologically strong and growing stronger. I do not believe that we have lost our technological leadership, nor that we are predestined to lose it in the future—provided we increase our technological zest and audacity and do not fail to remedy our weaknesses."

Killian is on leave as president of Massachusetts Institute of Technology to serve as Eisenhower's adviser in government efforts to meet the Soviet challenge.

He told the newsmen that what Russia's Sputniks have shown is not that leadership has passed from the United States to the Soviet Union, "but that we must expect in the future more instances of Russian challenge to our scientific leadership."

## Congress Gives Defense Matters Top Priority

### Grave Concern Fills First Session

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Congress embarked on its first space age session yesterday in an atmosphere of grave concern over Russia's scientific strides.

That defense matters would get top billing was pointed up a few hours after the session opened. President Eisenhower forwarded to the Senate and House an emergency request for \$1,260,000,000 in new funds to speed missile development and expand air defenses.

The supplemental money request, for the current fiscal year that ends June 30, also called for transfer to the missile program and related projects of an additional 110 million dollars already appropriated.

## Famous Artist Speaker Here Next Tuesday

One of the finest contemporary artists in the United States will speak here Tuesday on the topic, "Let the Artist Speak for Himself."

Xavier Gonzalez has been called the "best living artist" by many art authorities and has exhibited throughout the country as well as abroad.

His talk, which is scheduled for 8 p. m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, is sponsored by the Architecture Division and the MSC Creative Arts group.

Gonzalez has won many awards, such as a Guggenheim Fellowship and medals and prizes from the Carnegie International, the Academy of Arts and Letters and the Pennsylvania Academy. He is the author of "Notes About Painting" on his painting philosophy.

The famous painter has exhibited his works at A&M in past years and in 1953 he gave a series of lectures for a short course in painting for amateur artists.

He was commissioned to do a series of paintings by Life Magazine last year and was sent to Egypt to gather the material. When reproduced in the magazine, the series received wide acclaim from critics.

Gonzalez came to the United States in 1922 from his native country Spain. He worked at various jobs in Chicago while studying at night at the Chicago Art Institute. His only other study of art was with his uncle, Jose Arpa.

The well-known artist now makes his home in New York.

## Speed King Slates Talk Here Friday

Col. John P. Stapp, who has been called the "fastest man on earth," will speak on "The Physiological Effects of Space Travel on the Human Body" Friday at 8 p. m. in the Chemistry Lecture Room.

Stapp earned his nickname following the recordbreaking speed he obtained while performing deceleration tests on a rocket sled at the Holloman Air Development Center in New Mexico.

He has conducted numerous tests on body effects due to various conditions encountered in supersonic speed.

At present Stapp is chief of the Aero-Medical Field Laboratory, Air Force Missile Development Center, New Mexico.

Pulsing through actions, predictions and prayers at the opening of the new session was a grim realization of a need to meet a massive military threat posed by Russian advances with missiles and space satellites.

Against that threat, Senate Republican Leader Knowland of California predicted that President Eisenhower will offer to Congress and the people a constructive series of suggestions strong enough to answer the Soviet challenge.

Eisenhower will lay down the defense part of his program in a State of the Union message to be delivered to a joint Senate-House session Thursday. Details of his domestic program will be held back for a message next Monday proposing a balanced budget of around 74 billion dollars for the fiscal year starting next July 1, and a boost in defense spending of around two billions.

On the surface, members of Senate and House were as jovial and jaunty as usual for start of a new session. They whacked backs, grabbed hands, and chattered in noisy staccato. Underneath, they were pretty somberminded.

House Speaker Rayburn of Texas told reporters it will be a long, "very heavy session and one of considerable controversy." Almost at the same moment, Democratic Leader Lyndon Johnson of Texas was solemnly advising a conference of all Senate Democrats that the "peril of the hour is obvious."

## 'Dead' Week Out, Says College Dean

Observance of A&M's customary "dead" week, the week before final exams usually used for review, will be left up to the discretion of the individual professors this semester, Dean John Page, dean of the college, announced yesterday.

Professors will be allowed to give quizzes if they feel the class is behind, or they may go along with the traditional "dead" week, said Page.

Page commented that due to the flu epidemic which hit the campus early this semester, many of the classes were now behind schedule and needed the week to make up for lost time.

## Weather Today

Continued fair weather is expected in the College Station area today, with a high of 50 degrees and a low of 30 tonight.

This morning the mercury dipped to a low of 27 degrees at 7:45. Yesterday's high of 48 degrees came at 2:30 p. m.

## Good Engineers Lacking Today, Says Ransdell

We now have enough engineers, but not enough good engineers, C. H. Ransdell, associate dean of the Basic Division told the Engineering Council Monday night.

Ransdell said one of the reasons for this lack of properly trained engineers could be found in the inadequate preparation in mathematics offered by most high schools.

He indicated that this might well be the reason that 54 percent of A&M freshmen had less than a 1.0 grade point ratio at mid-season.

He also said that data showed beginning students who attended Junction summer school before coming to A&M had more reliable study habits than those coming fresh out of high school. Statistics show the Junction students have less absences, better than average grades and present fewer problems to the Basic Division.

"However, too many good high school students are not going to college," Ransdell stated.

A&M has had a liberal admission policy for the past few years Ransdell said, but pointed out that grades have improved generally, especially with the "veteran" classes following World War II.

He said that changes in teaching methods and faculty changes made it impossible to make an accurate grade comparison over the past few years.

## Reds Force Down American Trainer

ROME, (AP)—Red Albania, the Soviet satellite on the Mediterranean, reported last night its jet fighters have forced down an American jet trainer and the pilot is being held captive.

The plane presumably is a T33 that has been missing since Maj. Howard J. B. Curran took it off at Chateauroux, France, Dec. 23 for a flight to Naples. He was last reported over north Italy that day and then vanished.

Authorities at U. S. air headquarters in Wiesbaden, Germany, and Washington said they had no confirmation of Albania seizing any American plane.

A British cargo plane was forced down by Albania's Soviet-style jets last week and released with its crew on Saturday.

An Albanian - language broadcast from Tirana, the Red capital, told of the T33 seizure.

## Taxpayers Urged To Include Forms

Taxpayers who worked for more than one employer during 1957 must be sure to attach all their withholding tax certificates to their Federal income tax returns for the year, according to Clarence E. Carlson, local Internal Revenue Service representative.

Carlson pointed out that many persons neglect to attach these forms when sending in their income tax forms, causing inconvenience to both the Internal Revenue Service and the taxpayer.