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Aggies Vote 'No' to Coed Question

Editorship Filing To Close March 1

Deadline for applying for the top editorships of the six student publications for 1958-59 is 5 p.m., March 1, according to Ross Strader, director of Student Publications.

Final appointments of the positions will be made by the Student Publications Board on March 4 and April 1.

Battalion and Aggieland editors are appointed after certification of eligibility and recommendation by the director of Student Publications.

Editors of the four magazines—Agriculturist, Commentator, Engineer, and Southwestern Veterinarian—are appointed the same way, but must have the concurrence of the student council of the school served by the publication.

Minimum requirements are:

- One year's experience on the staff of a student publication and proved capable to carry on the work.

- Junior or senior classification.

- Free of academic probation or disciplinary action.

- Grade-point ratio of at least 1.5 through the semester preceding time of appointment.

Interested students are asked to

Fish Golfer's Eligibility Not Certain Yet

Eligibility of Billy Martindale, A&M freshman golfer who transferred at mid-term from Southern Methodist University was still being challenged yesterday by SMU Athletic Director Matty Bell.

Bell implied that A&M lured Martindale away from SMU.

"It is not right for that kind of stuff to go on and I'm not going to have any part of it," he stated. "It is a situation that I know will not come up involving SMU enforcing a boy from another campus. We just don't do that."

Although he has refused to officially release Martindale from his commitment to SMU, Bell has not indicated what he considered the commitment to be since Martindale did not sign a letter of intent or compete as a representative of SMU.

The eligibility chart of the Southwest Conference constitution and by-laws shows that a senior college transfer who has not participated in sports is allowed six years to complete participation after his first college registration and is allowed three seasons of varsity competition on the conference.

The chart, however, does not indicate that a release is required from one SWC school to another and no provision is made for such a release in the by-laws.

Dr. C. H. Groneman, chairman of A&M's athletic council, said yesterday, "we are not in a position to make any statement concerning the case until we have all the facts."

Groneman said the only information he has received concerning the protest has been from publicity given the case in Dallas. He added, "We, as yet, have not received any protest from SMU."

Weather Today

College Station residents can look for more cloudy, rainy and snowy weather today with a low of 25 degrees expected tonight.

A total of .08 inch of precipitation, in the form of snow, fell during the night. A low temperature reading of 27 degrees was recorded at 8 this morning. Yesterday's high was 42 degrees at 3 p. m.

file written applications which may be picked up at the Office of Student Publications, Room 4, YMCA building.

Applications should include qualifications, past experience and an indication of how the experience as an editor is expected to benefit the student in his chosen field.

Present editors of the publications are on the lookout for freshmen who will get their experience and training early so that they can qualify with a full year of experience before their junior or senior year.

Journalism courses are helpful but they are not a prerequisite; a good grounding in English plus native ability can be sufficient qualification. An early start in student publications work should make later English and Journalism courses more meaningful.

The A&M student publications program offers many opportunities for writers, editors, circulation men and advertising salesmen. Many of the staff members who hold such positions receive at least nominal pay.

\$200 Hi-Fi Set Stolen From Car

An estimated \$200 worth of hi-fidelity equipment was taken from a car parked in the Navasota parking lot sometime last weekend and no clues have turned up to locate the stolen property as yet, according to Fred Hickman, Campus Security Chief.

Owner of the car is Raleigh Dew, sophomore from Tyler. He said in addition to the sound system, about 15 or 20 LP albums and several items of clothing including a tuxedo were taken.

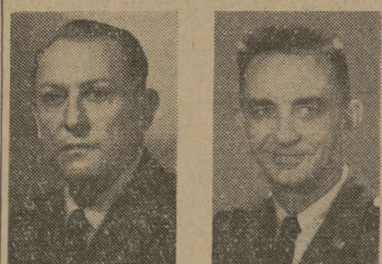
Chaplains, Jesuit Named to RE List

Two chaplains and a Jesuit Father are included among the 18 religious leaders who will take part in the 16th annual Religious Emphasis Week on the campus Feb. 16-21.

Lt. Col. Vernon O. Rogers, Staff Chaplain, Headquarters Air Force ROTC, Montgomery, Ala., will lead the discussions for Dorm 15 and half of Dorm 17.

Chaplain Rogers entered the Chaplaincy in 1942 and became a regular Air Force officer in 1947. During the war he served overseas. He has held various staff chaplain assignments both in this country and in Germany.

Before entering the service, Chaplain Rogers was pastor of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Shenandoah, Va.



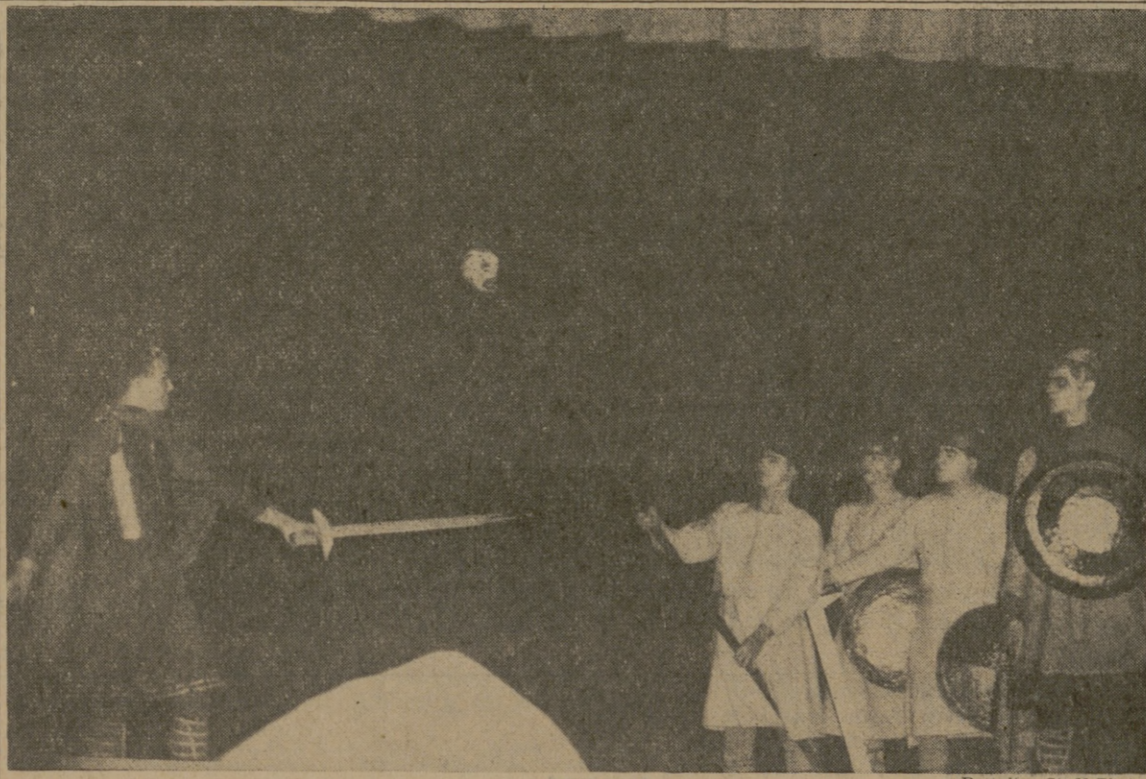
Rogers



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He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa., and his Bachelor of Divinity degree from United Theological Seminary, Dayton, O. Chaplain Rogers will live in Dorm 15.

Living in Dorm 11 and conducting the forums and discussion groups for that dorm will be Maj. John O. Quick, chaplain, Brooke Army Hospital, San Antonio. A graduate of East Texas State



Macbeth Is Dead!

Macduff portrayed by Jim Best poses with the bloody sword with which he killed Macbeth whose head is suspended from a pole held by soldiers. Standing at the right is

March of Dimes Tally Shows Over \$8,000

Latest figures on the 1958 March of Dimes, compiled last Saturday, show \$8,624.89 collected in Brazos County, with some money still not in. Mrs. Lucille Foster, chairman of the county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, said yesterday.

Mrs. Foster estimated that about \$200 remained out in money containers, which should be turned in by the end of this week. About \$12,000 was collected by the drive last year.

Salk vaccine shots were probably

a contributing factor to the lower contribution, Mrs. Foster stated.

"Most people think that with the coming of the vaccine, the polio threat is over," she said. "But it isn't. It came too late for many."

No cases of polio were reported in Brazos county in 1957, but Mrs. Foster said there were still many bills for past cases, surgery, crutches, braces, therapy and other rehabilitation needed for victims of the paralysis.

The Brazos County March of Dimes had no specific goal this year, Mrs. Foster explained, stating that she was very happy with the drive's results.

She praised especially the "Teens for Polio", an organization of Bryan and College Station teenagers to collect money for the fund. Their

goal for the drive was \$1,800. They went well over this figure, however, collecting \$2,234.37.

Another important factor toward the drive's success cited by Mrs. Foster was "coffee day", when all Bryan and College Station cafes turned their total coffee sales receipts for the day over to the March of Dimes.

"Many of the envelopes we mailed out for contributions have not been returned, and we are still hoping for more of them to come in," she said.

The County polio organization's chief goal during the next year, will be getting all Brazos County school children vaccinated 100 percent. There are approximately 865 school children in the county who have not yet been vaccinated, the county chairman reported.

The board will meet in the Bryan City Hall at 7:30 p. m., Feb. 18, to discuss the drive. Officers for next year will also be elected at the meeting, Mrs. Foster said.

English Tests Set For Foreign Aqs

Foreign and Puerto Rican students are required to fill out questionnaires and take English proficiency tests Thursday and Saturday in order to allow the Foreign Student Committee to determine where it is lacking in its English program.

The FSC recently set up a sub-committee to study the problem of lack of English proficiency among foreign students. The sub-committee is composed of Richard H. Ballinger of the English department, S. O. Navarro of the Electrical Engineering department, and I. I. Peters of the Dairy Science department.

"The program may serve to aid students and will give us information to see whether the college needs to do more to help than they are doing at the present time," said Ballinger. "It is mainly for the purpose of gathering information."

Questionnaires will be filled out by all foreign and Puerto Rican students from 4 to 5 p. m. Thursday. From 5 to 6 p. m. Thursday reading tests will be administered to these students who have entered the college since June 1, 1957.

Saturday from 10 to 11 a. m., aural comprehensive test will be given to students who first entered the college after June 1, 1957.

From 11 to 12 a. m. Saturday, writing tests will be given to all foreign students and Puerto Rican students who have entered since June 1, 1957.

The Basic Division is assisting in the program. All meetings will be in Room 328, Physics Bldg.

Snow Falls In Spasms At Aggieland

Light snow fell spasmodically late last evening, then turned into a steady downpour of the white stuff around midnight.

The first flurries at Aggieland were saturated with moisture, but later ones turned into soft snow. However, the weather was not cold enough to allow the snow to remain on the ground.

In surrounding areas, the snowfall was hard enough to make driving hazardous. One report said bridges at Cameron were frozen over.

Here at Aggieland, the students welcomed the snow and the new appearance it gave to the campus. Parked cars and objects lying around were covered with snow.

Saturday Last Day To Drop Courses

Saturday will be the last day for dropping courses for the spring semester without a failing grade.

A grade of WP will be recorded for a course dropped between now and Saturday, but courses dropped after Saturday will receive a grade of WF.

Heavy Ballot Sees 2,478 Opposed

While turning out in record numbers yesterday, the majority of the 3,716 students who answered the two questions on the coeducation referendum said "no".

In answer to the question, "Are you in favor of co-education at Texas A&M?" 1,051 were for and 2,478—or about 66 per cent of those voting—against.

Results on the query, "Would you be in favor of allowing wives of students and the wives and daughters of faculty and staff members to attend classes at A&M for course work—on a day student basis?" showed 1,354 for and 2,061 against.

W. D. (Pete) Hardesty, of student activities, said he thought the vote was the largest taken at A&M in recent years and probably in its history.

Lawyer Getting Evidence For Coed Hearing

Evidence is still being prepared for the coming court hearing which will seek to admit two married women to A&M, but the trial will probably not be held for another 30 or 40 days, John M. Barron, attorney for the two plaintiffs, said yesterday.

The women in the case are Mrs. Barbara Gilkey Tuttle, 20, and Mrs. Lena Ann Bristol, 34. They were refused admittance to the college when they tried to enroll in January.

Barron said two board of directors members have been contacted to appear as defendants in the case. Defendants named when the mandamus suit was filed Jan. 30 were Registrar H. L. Heaton, President M. T. Harrington and the A&M System Board of Directors.

Barron said the suit will be based mainly on evidence that denial of the women's admittance is a violation of Article 1, Section 9 of the Texas Constitution. If necessary, he plans to present evidence showing that refusal to admit the women to A&M is a violation of the equal protection and due process clauses of the 14th Amendment.

"My main plea," said Barron, "will be that it is a misconception that the school is established only for white males. The law implies it is open to all."

Witnesses are being contacted and subpoenaed for the trial. Barron said some evidence had been obtained from the Commission of Education in Austin.

The attorney predicted that while preliminary preparation is taking a long time, the trial itself will last only a day or two.

Three voting machines set up at the news stand near Sbisla Dining Hall showed majorities in favor of the second question. On the first question only slight majorities were registered against.

However, in the main voting in the Memorial Student Center, all four machines showed strong majorities against both questions.

The referendum was called for in a January meeting of the Student Senate by a vote of 17-1. They called the referendum to test the accuracy of a straw poll taken by a Journalism class which showed a slight majority of those interviewed favoring co-education.

John M. Barron, counsel for the two Bryan women who are filing suit for admittance to A&M, told KBTX-TV last night, "I have respect for the feelings of both students and ex-students on co-education. However, my only interest at this time is how the courts will vote and not the will of those already privileged to be students."

"Personal legal rights are always popular or unpopular, depending on whether one is in or out."

College to Observe World Prayer Day

The College and System offices will join with the College Station Council of Church Women in recognizing Friday, Feb. 21, as "The World Day of Prayer," Vice President Earl Rudder has announced.

"It is requested that we halt our activities for a minute of silent prayer as we unite with the people throughout this country and over 10 countries around the world in observation of this World Day of Prayer," Rudder said.

To signal this occasion, the college whistle will blow at 10 a. m. and again at one minute past 10 a. m. as a reminder.



Battalion Staff Photo

Snow in Aggieland!

Taking advantage of the seldom-seen-in-Aggieland stuff called snow, even the Battalion staff took off enough time for a snowball fight. Preparing to launch an icy missile is News Editor Fred Meurer.