



Workmen Install Lawn Sprinklers

Workmen this week are installing an underground sprinkler system in the lawn in front of the Academic Building. The man above is adjusting a miniature ditch digging machine which has been used to dig ditches for the pipes. In previous years watering of the lawn was done by surface irrigation pipes which were put down and picked up at each lawn watering.

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Annual Aggie Muster To Be Held Monday

More than 400 annual Aggie Muster ceremonies will be held Monday in all parts of the world. This year will mark the 55th year of yearly Musters.

Muster Day honors the heroes of the Battle of San Jacinto and pays homage to all A&M men who have passed away since the Muster last year.

The campus Muster will get under way at 6:45 p.m. with the student body and more than 5,000 persons from throughout the state gathering in front of the Memorial Student Center to pay last respects to deceased Aggies. The "roll call" for the absent will be limited to students who have died during the past year.

Maj. Gen. Bernard A. Schriever, commander of the Ballistic Missiles Division, Research and Development Council, U. S. Air Force, will deliver the principal address at the campus Muster. Gen. Schriever graduated from A&M in 1931, only eight years after becoming a naturalized American. He will be introduced by President M. T. Harrington.

The campus Muster Committee, composed of Bill Libby, chairman, David Bagley, Ray Anthony, Joe Buser, Ronald Buford, Allen Burns and Bobby Garrett, said they felt this will be one of the most meaningful Musters ever held. Libby will make a short talk on introductory matters.

Biologists Choose High School Reps

Nine outstanding high school students have been named by the Texas Education Agency to attend the special biology institute at A&M this summer.

Picked were Carolyn Ruth Emerson, Galveston; Robert Eubank, Cross Plains; Sandra Hines, Canyon; Katie Holstead, Port Neches; Shirley Katz, El Paso; Margaret McCall, Victoria; Tom Neal, Lubbock; Gary Simon, Boy's Ranch; and Herman Weller, Abilene.

The students were picked on the basis of their aptitude, academic records and enthusiasm for science or mathematics.

A&M's biology institute is part of a special science and mathematics program presented by the TEA. Rice, Southern Methodist University, the University of Texas and Texas Tech are the other schools taking part in the program. No tuition is charged at the various schools.

Weather Today

Forecast for College Station and vicinity is cloudy today with possible scattered showers or thundershowers tonight. Friday will be partly cloudy with possibility of light thundershowers.

Expected high temperature today is 79 degrees and the expected low tomorrow is 62.

Yesterday's high temperature was 76 degrees and this morning's low was 58 degrees.

Congress Told Of Desalination Work

Dr. Donald W. Hood of the Oceanography and Meteorology Department will testify before a Congressional sub-committee in Washington today and Friday on the saline water conversion program here.

Hood, who heads desalination research here, will appear before the Public Works and Resources sub-committee of the Congressional Committee on Government Operation.

He has also been invited to visit the Detrex Chemical Industries, Inc., in Detroit, Mich., in connection with the program.

A&M System Budget Study Being Made

Senate Passes Public Works Loan Measure

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The Senate last night passed a bill to lend a billion dollars in federal funds to cities and states for public works projects to combat the recession.

The vote was 60-26. The bill now goes to the House.

The measure was sponsored by Senate Democrats. The Eisenhower administration opposed it in the Senate Banking Committee and Republicans succeeded there in cutting it down substantially.

However, Republicans failed on the Senate floor yesterday in an effort to chop the bill down further to 500 million dollars. This was beaten 52-33.

The bill would authorize 50-year loans at a 3½ per cent interest rate. There could be a two-year postponement on payment of interest and principal on the loans.

Sponsors said it would principally aid small cities because large municipalities now can borrow at less than 3½ per cent from private sources. Cities are expected to be the biggest beneficiaries of the bill, with states making relatively little use of it.

The Senate accepted by voice vote an amendment of Sen. Watkins (R-Utah) adding nonprofit hospitals to the list of projects eligible for loans.

K&F Club to Hear Famous Memory

George Bailey, known as "The Man with the Photographic Memory," will be guest of honor at tonight's regular meeting of the Knife and Fork Club in the Memorial Student Center.

In addition to his entertainment with feats of memory, Bailey will produce music from a set of inexpensive musical glasses.

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Bob Surovik, Student Senate president, will speak on Muster tradition in behalf of the student body.

Representing the Association of Former Students will be E. M. Freeman of Shreveport.

Ted Lowe, 1957-58 head yell leader, will conduct the roll call.

Special music for the ceremony will be furnished by the Singing Cadets and Aggie Band. The Ross Volunteers will fire a volley late in the ceremony.

Speaker, Film Ends Pan America Week

A highly exciting and colorful event, the third annual Pan American Week, comes to a close with Dr. Hector Santaella's Great Issues talk Friday night and a special film feature by the Memorial Student Center Film Society Saturday night.

Santaella, ambassador to the United States from Venezuela, will discuss economics and foreign relations. The Great Issues speaker, scheduled to speak at 8 p. m. in the MSC ballroom, has held many top positions in his country. Among these are Chief of Economics Section, Ministry of Foreign Relations; Director of Economics and Finance, Ministry of the Treasury; Technical Manager, Venezuelan Development Corporation; Professor of Economics, Central University; and others.

Admission for the talk is \$1 per person. Great Issues Series season tickets will be honored.

The Film Society's special movie for the week is "Captain from Castile", starring Tyrone Power. The movie begins at 7:30 p. m. in the MSC ballroom.

Held in conjunction with the national Pan American Week, April 14-19, the festive week has included various lectures, displays and exhibits concerning the countries south of the border.

Promoting Pan American unity

and better understanding has been the MSC Council and Directorate's main aim. Under the guidance of the MSC Pan American Week committee, co-chaired by Hugh Wharton, '58, and Floyd Christian '60, the week has been centered around the Organization of American States, an organization of countries of North and South America initiated to promote mutual defense and foster international goodwill.

Mother of Year Bids Underway

The A&M Mother of the Year will be honored at a convocation on Sunday, May 11, at 11 a.m. in Guion Hall.

She will be chosen from nominating letters written to the Student Welfare Committee, office of Student Affairs, which must be submitted by April 21.

Requirements for her selection are:

1. She must have a son currently enrolled at A&M.
2. She must be able to attend the Parents Day services May 11.
3. She must have overcome extreme difficulties to secure an education for her children.

State Committee Seeking Economy

A Legislative Budget Board committee today began questioning A&M Administrative officials concerning ways and means of economizing the state's spending for education. The committee, headed by Sen. Crawford Martin of Hillsboro, is seeking to put government spending into better use in four fields—education, public welfare, highways and health and hospitals.

Three other A&M System schools are being included in the questioning. They are Arlington State, Prairie View A&M and Tarleton State.

The questions run from athletic programs, to enrollment in small classes, to building and construction and student activities.

Ike's Bill Helps Texas Highway Construction

AMARILLO, Tex. (AP)—Marshall Formby of Plainview, chairman of the Texas Highway Commission said yesterday he was very pleased President Eisenhower signed the new highway bill.

"It will mean nearly 36-million extra highway construction dollars for Texas during the next year, bringing total funds for construction in Texas during the next two years to \$303 million. This new money will mean more jobs for Texans on highway work. It will speed up some construction jobs," he said.

"The money will be put to contract just as fast as possible. Most of this new \$36 million will be used on jobs where right of way has already been purchased, is in the process of being purchased, or where plans are already complete.

Local Bank Gains In Size Ranking

College Station State Bank gained 484 places in its national standing among the 7,000 largest banks in the United States, ranking 6914th largest in size for 1957.

The bank, which reported deposits of \$2,979,173, ranked 7,398th in 1956, Clinton B. Axford, editor of the Daily American Banker, said yesterday.

The announcement appeared in the 1958 annual roll call of largest banks in the United States, published by the Daily American Banker of New York, trade newspaper of banking business.

Europe To Get More Weapons By End of Year

PARIS, (AP)—The United States told its NATO Allies Wednesday it can begin regular deliveries of medium-range ballistic weapons to back up the European defense shield before the end of this year.

The defense ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization received a briefing on the highly complicated modern armament aimed at bolstering the firepower of Allied forces manning the ramparts across the center of Europe.

Officers and experts accompanying U. S. Defense Secretary Neil McElroy displayed charts and motion pictures covering all types of new arms, from pocket rockets to the intercontinental ballistic missile with a range of 5,000 miles or more.

In most cases they were dual-purpose weapons, capable of firing either conventional or nuclear explosives. They included ground-to-ground, ground-to-air guided missiles and artillery-type arms.

The first of the intermediate-range ballistic missiles, capable of hurling nuclear devastation on targets 1,500 miles away, will be in place on a base in Britain before the end of 1958, informants said.

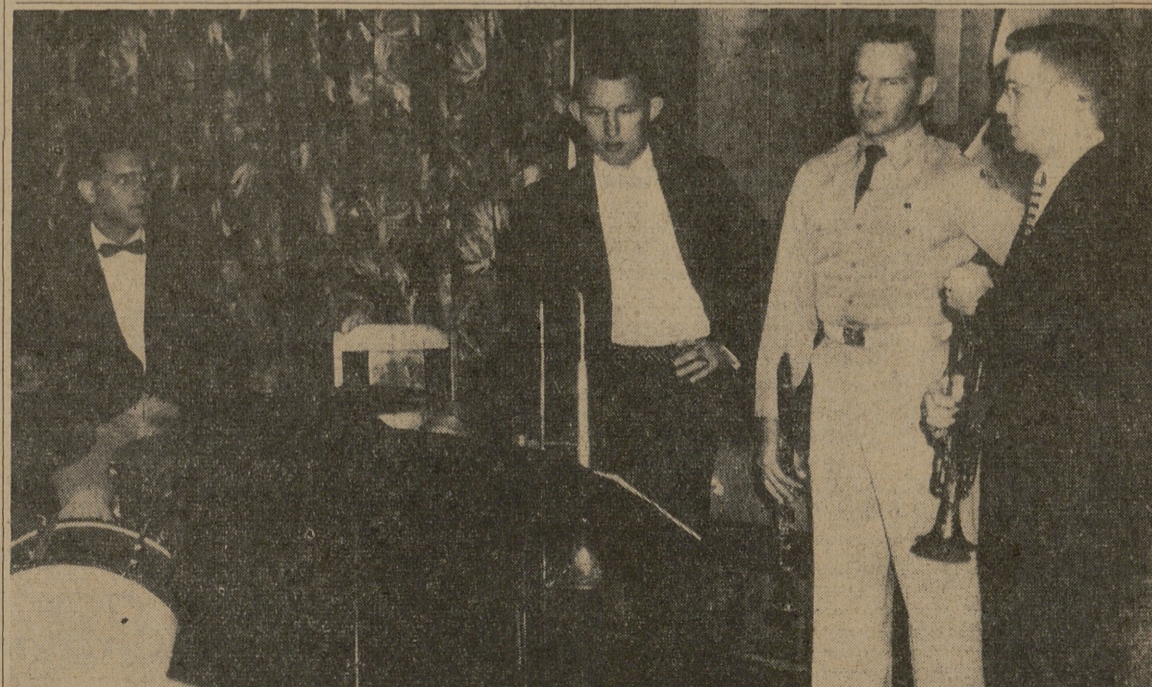
They said the over-all plan is to place American-built Thor missiles on four bases in Britain, beginning late this year and at regular intervals through 1959-60.

Literary Winners Speak To Kiwanis

Three district Interscholastic League winners from A&M Consolidated High School re-enacted their ribbon-winning entries Tuesday for the College Station Kiwanis Club.

David McNeely, senior, gave his winning declamation poem "Forever a Stranger", by Diane Oakes, before the group. The CHS senior will compete in the regional contest in Houston, Saturday.

The other two students, both sophomores, were winners in junior division poetry reading contests. Cindy Drake read "Renaissance", by Edna St. Vincent Millay and Mike Gay gave his reading of Carl Sandburg's "Playthings of the Wind".



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Banquet Hears Combo

The Gamma Mu chapter of the Eta Kappa Nu Association, honorary fraternity for electrical engineers, heard this combo last night at Kelley's in Bryan during its annual

initiation banquet. Left to right are Walter Raynaud, Don Dunlap, Stan Cannon and William Kuykendall. Jack Nelson, another combo member, is not shown.