



Open the Gates!

A. G. Ollre, president of the A&M Rodeo Club (left) and Dr. Bob Shrode, club sponsor, look over the A&M Rodeo Arena as club members practice for the National Intercollegiate Rodeo which opens tonight.

'Battmen' Take Over 1958-59 Posts

Today's issue of The Battalion is the first under the reign of the "Battmen", Aggie journalists responsible for the newspaper from today until next May 1.

The new 1958-59 Battalion editor is Joe Buser, junior journalism major from Arp. He is replacing outgoing editor Joe Tindel.

Fred Meurer, junior journalism

major from Corpus Christi, is taking the place of Jim Neighbors in the managing editor slot.

Gayle McNutt will be the first man in Battalion history to hold the title of executive news editor. McNutt is a junior journalism major from Comanche.

Filling temporary news editor posts this semester will be Bill

Reed, junior from Bonham; Lewis Reddell, sophomore from Llano; David Stoker, sophomore from Fort Worth; and Johnny Johnson, freshman from Bogata. One of the news editors will be appointed city editor next year.

Reporters for next year's staff include Dennie Freeman, junior from Dallas; Jim Moore, junior from College Station; Jim Coston,

junior from San Antonio; Tucker Sutherland, sophomore from Mathis; John Dibattista, junior from Garwood, N.J.; Joe Callicoatte, freshman from Atlanta; and Robbie Godwin, freshman from Robert Lee.

Photographers on the staff are Francis Nivers, freshman from Waco, and Earl Doss, junior from Kilgore.

News editor Johnny Johnson will serve as this year's summer editor of The Battalion, probably the youngest editor the newspaper has ever had.

The Battalion office is located in room 4 in the basement of the YMCA. Members of the staff have invited anyone having any news tips to bring or phone them to the office.

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College Riders Open Rodeo Here Tonight

News of the World

By The Associated Press
Rancher Files for Governor

SAN ANGELO—Edwin S. Mayer, 62, West Texas rancher, announced yesterday he would seek the Republican nomination for Governor of Texas.

"The time has come for those of us who believe in the two-party system for Texas to come forward and offer the people of Texas relief from one-party monopoly," Mayer said in a prepared statement.

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Supreme Court's Power in Balance

WASHINGTON—A bill to curb the power of the Supreme Court and undo the effects of some of its decisions in subversion cases was approved 10-5 by the Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday.

The bill would strip the Supreme Court of its authority to review cases involving state regulations governing the admission of lawyers to practice in state courts.

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U. S. Frees Egypt Funds

WASHINGTON—The United States yesterday unfroze 26 million dollars in Egyptian government assets in a major move to restore friendly relations with President Nasser's United Arab Republic.

Injured Freshman Attending Classes

by JOE CALICOATTE

Charles Oliver, Squadron 10 freshman who was struck by a car on Galveston beach April 4, is now "residing" in College Hospital and attending classes with the help of his "fish buddies".

An accounting major from Duncanville, Oliver and his date, Judith Atkins, were strolling along the beach when a car driven by an airman hit them.

Oliver suffered multiple fractures in his leg while Miss Atkins received a concussion and had both legs broken.

Presently receiving treatment in the hospital, Oliver began attending classes this week. Since he can get around only in a wheel chair, freshmen in his outfit set up a regular schedule for pushing him to class.

One freshman helps Oliver to a class and another classmate takes him to his next class or back to his hospital room after class.

So far the system has worked perfectly and the patient's only complaint is, "I sure did get a long way behind in those three weeks I missed." However, he thinks he can do all right in his work if he ever catches up.

Asked if the cast on his leg was awkward, Oliver replied, "It depends on what position I'm in and I usually just prop it up on the desk in front of me."

Reports on Slate For Senate Tonite

The Student Senate will meet tonight at 7:30 in the Senate Chamber of the MSC.

Agenda for tonight includes a report from the standing committee, from the Senate orientation program and on the selection of Aggie Mother of the Year for Mother's Day festivities.

Ag Team to Host 16 Other Entries

By JOHNNY JOHNSON

Collegiate cowboys and cowgirls from 16 southern colleges and universities will invade Aggieland to open the action-packed, hard-riding ninth annual A&M National Intercollegiate Rodeo Assn. show tonight at 8 in the A&M Rodeo Arena.

Under the sponsorship of the A&M Rodeo Club, performances are set for tonight, Friday night, Saturday afternoon and finals Saturday night. Preliminary contests in the eight competitive events of the rodeo will be held in the first three performances.

The six-man Aggie rodeo team, currently riding second-high in the Southern Region N.I.R.A. saddle, will be attempting to move into the top spot.

Pre-Law Students Plan for Law Day

A&M's Pre-Law Society, in conjunction with the Brazos County Bar Assn., will sponsor a community-wide program Thursday evening observing Law Day, U.S.A.

The program will be held on the lawn of the Brazos County Courthouse and will feature Percy Foreman, Houston criminal lawyer, as main speaker. Master of ceremonies will be W. S. Barron, Bryan attorney.

The program in Bryan will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Six fast-action events—bareback bronc riding, bulldogging, calf tie-down roping, saddle bronc riding, ribbon roping and Brahman bull riding—plus two girl contests, barrel racing and goat tying, promise to provide performances with plenty of thrills and spills.

J. C. Dishman, Eddie Farris, Phillip Cox, Doyle McSpadden, Kenneth Beasley and Rodney Butler will wear the A&M colors into the show.

Stock for the show will be furnished by Lawrence Winnfrie of Orange.

The job of handling a "ton of dynamite"—Brahman bull—goes to rodeo clowns Royce Hudson, Eddie Farris and Tinker Cliff. The clown's job will be to keep the bull from attacking the thrown rider as well as provide a comical twist to the shows.

Patients from the Waco Veterans' Administration Hospital, Bryan orphans and the A&M teaching staff will be special guests of the Rodeo Club for Saturday afternoon's performance.

Advance sale tickets are selling for 50 cents from Rodeo Club members. Gate admission is 60 cents.

Corps members have been authorized to attend the shows in civilian clothes.

Students Given Top A&S Awards

Three A&M students recently were selected to receive the Faculty Achievement Awards for graduating seniors in the School of Arts and Sciences for the 1957-58 school year.

They are Pete Dominic Ghiglieri, zoology, Bryan; Robert Jesse Ring Jr., mathematics, Wichita Falls; Stanley Louis Barnes, meteorology, Tulsa, Okla. Barnes graduated in January, 1958.

"This award is the highest honor that is given in the School of Arts and Sciences and requires outstanding scholastic work throughout a student's undergraduate program," Dr. Walter H. Delaplaine, dean of Arts and Sciences, said yesterday.



Just Waiting

Waiting for the ninth annual A&M National Intercollegiate Rodeo Assn. contest to get underway is the Aggie Rodeo Team, representing the A&M Rodeo Club. Left to right are J. C. Dishman, Eddie Farris, Kenneth Beasley, A. G. Ollre, Curtis Burlin and Phillip Cox.

Civilian Yell Leader Undecided After Vote

No Civilian yell leader was elected in yesterday's general election as Election Commission president Dick Noack threw out the results of the election because of an irregularity in the application procedure.

In his official statement, Noack said: "Because of an irregularity in the application procedure for the position of Civilian yell leader, the Election Commission has ruled that filing will be re-opened for that position from 8 a. m. Friday until 5 p. m. Monday. The election for Civilian yell leader will be held Wednesday, May 7, from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m."

In the other races—most of them uncontested—Student Senate officers and one student member of the Student Publications Board were named by a light turnout of some 750 voters.

Only two of the eight offices were contested, Student Senate vice president and Public Relations committee chairman. One office, Corps Student Publications Board members, was determined by write-in votes as A. H. Klopfenste-

in received 80 votes. No Civilian board member was elected.

A sprinkling of other write-in votes were cast in each of the other races.

John G. Thomas garnered 639 votes to walk into the Senate president's spot virtually without contest. His only opposition was 80 write-in votes for M. G. Glascock.

Parliamentary for next year's Senate is M. N. Mauritz who polled 653 votes.

In the only other contested election R. L. (Ronny) Stallings defeated R. (Bob) Lassiter and M. G. Glascock for Public Relations committee chairman. Stallings' vote totaled 286 against Lassiter's 252 and 212 for Glascock.

Student Life committee chairman elected was William (Bill) Markville with 691 votes.

William (Bill) Myers received 704 votes to win the Great Issues committee chairmanship.

Don Rummel polled 660 votes to win the Welfare committee chairmanship.

Don K. Reinhardt slipped by Jim Gallation with 178-175 vote margin for the recording secretary spot in the hottest race of the election. Jerry I. Gilliland got 147 votes, Leer R. Ratliff, 130, and H. Fitzhugh, 128 votes for the office.

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Back to the 'Hole'

Charles Oliver gets an assist back to his room in the hospital from "fish" buddy Richard D. Ward following classes. Oliver was injured when struck by an automobile at Galveston Beach April 4. Freshmen in his outfit, Squadron 10, push him back and forth to classes each day.

Follies to Star Cadet Slouch, Aggie Buddies

Cadets Simp, Slouch, fish Jethro and others will come to life in the annual "Aggie Follies" to be presented in G. Rollie White Coliseum May 9-10 at 7:30 nightly.

The Follies' production, "We Is The Aggies" was written by Jim Earle, well-known creator of the famous Slouch cartoons. Student director is John Gladwell.

Portraying Simp will be Ray Simmons, Slouch will be played by Jim Barlow, and "fish" Jethro is to be staged by Larry Day.

Other characters are Cedric, played by Ray Killian; freshman, G. B. Laycock; butlers, O. L. Harris and Eric West; sergeant, Seymour Bauer; "Bull", Robert Huf-faker; Aggies, Joe Callicoatte and Jimmy Jackson; ladies, Mable Loesch, Vada Puszewski, Dianne Russell and Della Carson.

Lighting crew for the show is composed of Bob Wenck, Don Reynolds and Nick Hopkins.

Ray Killian, Don Hullum and Toby Newton will work on the set. Stage hands will be Lynn Simmons, Toby Mattox, Welton Jones and Don Demming.

Intermission acts will include singers Alice Gene Butler, Ann Harrison, Dianne Russell, Janet Folweiler and Ed Burkhead.

Twelve freshmen are still needed to play parts in group scenes, Gladwell said. Persons interested should be at the next rehearsal meeting of the cast.

Filings Open For Election

Candidates began filing today for Election Commission posts and Student Senate school representatives to be elected in the Student Senate-School election May 14.

Students wishing to file must make their application in the Student Activities Office, YMCA, before 5 p. m. next Thursday.

A senior, junior and sophomore, based on 1958-59 classification, will be elected from each school—Arts and Sciences, Engineering, Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine—to represent their respective schools on the Student Senate next year.

In the case of the School of Veterinary Medicine, a fourth, fifth and sixth year student will be elected.

Five students from each of the classes of '59, '60, and '61 to serve on next year's Election Commission will be elected.