

### BATTALION EDITORIALS

... Our Liberty Depends on the Freedom of the Press, And It Cannot Be Limited Without Being Lost ... Thomas Jefferson

### Individual Sweethearts

Twelve Aggie seniors faced the most challenging assignment of their careers Sunday when they had to choose between an equal number of the most beautiful girls at Texas Woman's University for the Aggie Sweetheart of 1968-69. After more than two hours of deliberation, Miss Millie Rowland, a sophomore from Hot Springs, Ark. was chosen. And after the SMU Corps trip, no one will feel the selection committee made an unwise choice. There were 11 girls however, who were not selected as THE Aggie Sweetheart. But certainly they would make some Aggie an extra special individual-type sweetheart as would the other beauties seen on the TWU campus this weekend. It seems only fair to the other girls that the men of Aggieland do a little selecting on their own...



AUSTIN, Tex.—More dust is being stirred up over issues than over candidates, in the build-up to the General Election, Nov. 4. Texans will vote on nine proposed amendments to the Constitution. One of them, providing for annual sessions and salaries in the Legislature, is the subject of hot debate.

A condensed outline of the amendments and arguments being presented for and against follows. (Numbers correspond to the order in which amendments will appear on the ballot.)

1. Would provide for annual sessions of the Legislature. (Odd-year sessions would be devoted to all matters, as before, and even-year sessions would attend to budgeting and emergency matters. Legislators would receive an annual salary of \$7,500 (instead of \$25 a day for a 120-day session) and an unspecified amount for "expenses of office")

PRO: Supporters say annual sessions will allow more time for consideration of important matters. State financial planning could be done for one year at a time. No more having to "guesstimate" financial needs for two years ahead. Better pay would be a step toward attracting the best qualified persons to lawmaking. Such influential and hard-working groups as the Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce are pushing this amendment.

CON: Equally outspoken are the opponents who say it would cause needless expense when money is already short. More

time in session means more chances to spend money. Proposed salary still is not enough to attract top-notch talent, but "expenses of office" could open the door to "fat-cattin'" with public funds. Sen. Dorsey Hardegan of San Angelo is the recognized spokesman for the "antis" which include some other lawmakers and other groups.

2. Would allow counties to extend participation in their retirement, disability and death compensation plans to elective officials of the county and precinct. Present arrangement covers only appointive officials and employees of the county.

PRO: It is a permissive law. No county has to do it unless the voters say so. It would give elective officials the same privilege as appointees, be an attraction to office.

CON: It sets no requirement for length of service. An official might serve one term—or less—and receive benefits.

3. Would allow the County Commissioners Court to fill vacancies in the office of County Judge and Justices of the Peace only until the next general election. Presently such appointments are for the remainder of the unexpired term, up to four years.

PRO: It would give voters the right to choose their own replacement to office as soon as possible.

CON: Since campaigns are so costly, there would be less incentive to run for the office for only a two-year term.



"So this is how Slouch could afford that trip!"

### Who's Here

### Bill Myers Starting Business Career Here

By JACK TEAGLE  
With one more year of college still to go, William A. (Bill) Myers is already starting on a business career.

Bill, born and raised in Bryan, plans to open a one-hour dry cleaning service there in November.

A graduate of Stephen F. Austin High School, Bill had a diversified high school career. As a member of the track team, he threw the shot put and hurled the discus. He was president of Boy's Forum, an organization which met and discussed problems which arose concerning students. As president of this organization he also led a career guidance week, when outstanding men in their fields gave talks on the advantages and disadvantages of their particular occupations.

Bill was also vice president of the A Capella Choir, was a member of the National Honor Society, and was a delegate to the state Hi-Y Youth and Government Convention (comparable to SCONA).

Being a local man, Bill was under the influence of Aggieland all during high school. He says he liked the discipline of the Corps and it was this reason which caused him to live in one of the Corps dorms instead of at home.

As a "fish," Bill was a mem-

ber of Squadron 10. He was elected recording secretary of the "fish" class, and was also vice president of the B. S. U. Fish Council.

As a sophomore, Bill became a member of SCONA II and also the Singing Cadets. Last year he was named vice chairman of planning committee of SCONA and this year is chairman of SCONA IV Secretariat Committee. Bill is also a member of the Ross Volunteers.

Last year Bill was a delegate from SCONA III to SCUSA at West Point. He remembers this as his most interesting trip, as he was able to observe their Cadet Corps at its best.

This year Bill is the Corps Scholastic officer and holds the rank of Cadet Lt. Col., Corps Staff. It is his responsibility to maintain rigid study conditions throughout the Corps and to keep cadets aware of their studies.

This past summer Bill drove to New York with two other SCONA representatives to gain financial and publicity support in that area. He then went to summer camp at Berkstrom AFB in Austin and worked the latter part of the summer.

### The Classic Arts

### Stereo, Mono Records Good Buy for Collectors

By HENRY LYLE  
Fine Arts Columnist

This is the first of a series of columns which will appear periodically concerning recent releases in classical record music.

It is hoped that these comments will aid the Ag record buyer as he determinedly shuffles his way through the confused disorder which prevails at most record shops.

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A period of retooling and re-processing has occurred in the record industry this season—a trend likely to continue for some time. The adoption of the new stereophonic process by all the principal companies, of course, has caused this trend, and the two practical results that it has produced mean obvious savings for the smart record buyer.

The first result is the appearance of, under nearly all labels, the stereophonic versions of monophonic recordings released one or two months ago. This is the natural product of that period when every company, anticipating the change, began recording some performances in both stereo and mono form before actually issuing any albums or discs.

The currently existing price war, which many people are unaware of, is the second and equally natural result. Many very recent recordings of the "old" (non-stereo) LP type are being reissued under various trade labels at prices almost half of those originally asked. When one recalls some of the immortal performances which must be a part of this vast library of pre-stereo records, the splendid opportunities for accumulating a fine collection at minimum cost become apparent.

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OFFENBACH: "Gaité Parisienne" ballet suite, played by the Boston Pops Orchestra under Arthur Fiedler (Camden).

This is an excellent example of a low price re-issue and should be of particular interest to Aggies since the Boston Pops will appear here this season. This is the identical "Gaité Parisienne" that was the best-selling classical LP of 1966.

Camden is the label adopted by RVA Victor for its cut-price high fidelity line. GIORDANO: "Andrea Chenier" complete opera, with Mario del Monaco, Renata Tebaldi and the orchestra and chorus of L'Accad-

emia di Santa Cecilia, Rome (London).

This is an example of how re-processing in the record business can work in reverse. This opera was recorded in both stereophonic and monaural form originally but was first released several months ago as a standard LP. Last week London issued a stereo LP of the identical performance. Although buyers of the original release have an artistically solid performance (especially by del Monaco), the certain amplification or intensification that is the trait of the more recent recording, as stereo accomplishes that effect, is not theirs simply because they bought early.

### IBM Technician To Speak Tonight

E. A. Klein of the IBM Development Laboratories, San Jose Calif., will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the combined engineering societies of the School of Engineering, tonight at 7:45. Klein will talk on "Work With the Young Engineer in the Computer Field."

The talk will be given in the Chemistry lecture room, to which faculty and students are urged to attend. C. W. Crawford, associate dean of the School of Engineering said.

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A future corps commander was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones '57, Route 3, Bryan. The little boy arrived at 8:25 p.m., Oct. 14, at Bryan Hospital.

A future Aggie date was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lowie Keith Rice, '58, 401 Live Oak.

The little girl was born at 5:51 p.m., Oct. 14, at St. Joseph Hospital.

A future Aggie date was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Ralph Sparks Jr., 4408 Aspen, Bryan, Oct. 13, at St. Joseph Hospital.



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