

Weather Today

Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow with slowly rising temperatures.

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Expert Speaks

Soviets Cause Space Efforts

"The United States by itself has no freedom of choice whether man will explore space," Dr. Charles S. Sheldon II, technical director of the United States House of Representatives Committee on Science and Astronautics, told a Great Issues audience last night in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

"The Soviet Union has already decided to do so. For straight military reasons, for cold war reasons and for scientific and commercial reasons, we cannot afford to refuse this challenge," he said.

"It is quite important to recognize that space exploration is not the only challenge. Every part of our scientific and technical heritage has contributed to our space abilities and our space work should return dividends to many other fields of endeavor," Sheldon went on to say.

of Space: A Challenge to America," Sheldon outlined the history and future of space travels and exploration and the many problems already overcome and the ones yet to be solved.

Sheldon outlined the challenge as this:

"First, the goal of a free fall in orbit beyond the atmosphere; then the exploration of the moon; eventually the occupation of bases on Mars, and possibly other planets or satellites in this solar system; and in the ultimate future, travel to and colonization of other worlds' remote by today's standards from our solar system."

Some of these developments may seem too distant to some people, he said, "But this is inaccurate in the context of our present headlong pace, snowballing progress in science and technology."

"Why did the Soviet Union begin a sustained effort on ballistic missiles so early?" Sheldon asked after explaining the Russians started a full-speed program immediately after World War II.

"Apparently they decided they would build huge rockets of sufficient thrust as to carry a fairly high yield nuclear bomb over intercontinental distances," he replied in answering his own question.

The consensus of a poll of top military scientists and industrial leaders taken by Sheldon's committee showed that they predict that a manned expedition to the moon is possible within the next 10 years.

Better mapping of the world, early-warning defense capabilities, new navigation aids, improved weather reporting, greatly improved communications systems and manned reconnaissance for both commercial and military purposes were given as payoffs to be derived from space exploration by Sheldon.

"Congress has provided the machinery for the United States to build a sound space program." It is up to the executive branch to get on with the job. It is up to the people to understand and to support with taxes the work which must be undertaken. Both congress and the executive branch have an important job to do in bringing this public understanding and support," he said in conclusion.

Sheldon conducted a question and answer period following his talk.

Prior to the speaking engagement, a dinner was held for Sheldon. Campus officials and various department heads and student representatives were present.

This morning he toured some of the departments of the college before leaving shortly after lunch for Washington.

Ceylon Profs View Facilities In Engineering

Three lecturers from the School of Engineering, University of Ceylon, are touring facilities and observing teaching methods at A&M this week.

The visitors are D. K. Arumugam, lecturer in civil engineering; Dr. W. P. Jayasakara, lecturer in electrical engineering; and Dr. S. Mahalingam, lecturer in mechanical engineering.

They are on a two-month tour of the United States, visiting industries and colleges to observe methods of manufacturing, production and education, especially in the field of engineering.

They arrived on the campus Monday and conferred with President M. T. Harrington and Dr. John C. Calhoun, vice-president for engineering.

Following a tour of the campus, they have been visiting various departments of the college, observing the operation of facilities and sitting in while classes are in operation.

Friday afternoon they will meet with Fred J. Benson, dean of the School of Engineering; Jack Gray, coordinator of foreign programs for the A&M System, and department heads of the School of Engineering.

Board to Meet Saturday

The A&M System Board of Directors will hold their regular meeting here Saturday at 9 a.m.

News of the World

By The Associated Press

GE Reveals Nose Cone Return

PHILADELPHIA—General Electric partly lifted the veil from its secret nose cone Wednesday, saying the cone returned to Cape Canaveral after an intercontinental flight. The Air Force Thor-Able cone came back Tuesday.

This cone was the second in a series of new re-entry test vehicles developed and built by General Electric's missile and space vehicle department here.

It was described as the first U. S. re-entry vehicle to be recovered after an intercontinental flight of 5,000 miles, and one of a series being flown to test ablating materials being considered for advanced Air Force nose cones for Atlas and Titan ICBMs.

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Hodges Fails to Halt Mill Strike

RALEIGH, N. C.—Gov. Luther Hodges failed Wednesday in another attempt to mediate the bitter Henderson mill strike, and severely criticized union and management for contributing to the stalemate.

Hodges met for several hours in the executive mansion with John D. Cooper, president of Harriet-Henderson Cotton Mills, and Boyd E. Payton, Carolinas director for the striking Textile Workers Union of America, and their aides.

In a statement admitting the conference had failed to settle the issues involved in the 23-week-old controversy, the governor told reporters, "My patience and that of the public is about exhausted."

Inspection Set Tomorrow; Review at 9 a.m. Saturday



Live Specimen Exhibit

Dr. Richard J. Baldauf, assistant professor of Wildlife Management on May 9. Dr. Baldauf is holding a six-foot Indigo snake, while Dixon has a firm grasp on a diamond-back rattler. The animals on the table are Gila Monsters.

By Wildlife Department

Snake Milking Show Prepared for Parents

Feeding and "milking" of poisonous snakes of Texas will mark the wildlife exhibit in the Department of Wildlife Management May 9 for the thousands of mothers and fathers expected for the college's annual "open house" program.

Parents' Day is scheduled the following day.

James R. Dixon, a graduate student from El Campo, will give a "milking" demonstration in which he will extract the venom from rattlesnakes, copperheads and water moccasins.

The demonstration will be given once an hour on the hour in a specially prepared concrete block snake pit on the third floor of the Agricultural Engineering Building.

Dixon formerly lectured and gave demonstrations at the Ross Allen Reptile Institute in Florida. Wearing protective clothing, he and Dr. Richard I. Baldauf will be in the pit to inform the visitors of the habits and characteristics of the snakes. Baldauf is an assistant professor of wildlife management and retiring president of the Texas Herpetological Society.

The officers set the price after some debate over expected number of attendants and estimated costs of the affair. The figure was set at the minimum which the class could collect from an estimated crowd of 600 couples—and cover all expenses.

The \$10 fee will cover cost for two for the Senior Banquet in Duncan, tickets to the Ring Dance and two prints of a single picture taken in the ring-turning ceremony. Broken down, the cost of each item is \$4.75 for the dance, \$2.25 for the pictures and \$3 for the banquet. The class voted to permit students to purchase tickets for one, both or all three events as they chose.

Judging Contest Set in Beef Center

The annual Freshman-Sophomore Livestock Judging Contest, sponsored by the Saddle & Sirolo Club, will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Beef Cattle Center.

The contest will consist of classes of cattle, hogs, sheep, wool and meat. Oral reasons in the livestock classes and written reasons on the meats division will be given.

Hudson Glimp, contest superintendent, said persons on the bull ring Saturday can get excused for the contest by notifying him or L. D. Wythe, professor of animal husbandry, today.

Feeding demonstrations, in which rats and mice will be fed to the snakes, will also be held during the day.

The open house exhibit will include about 50 different kinds of reptiles and amphibians and various kinds of fish found in Texas. There will be four different species of rattlesnakes, two different kinds of water moccasins and two kinds of copperheads.

Many of the specimens to be exhibited were collected during the recent field meet of the Texas Herpetological Society on the 65,000-acre ranch of Horace Fawcett in

Val Verde county. Fawcett is a member of the Class of '24.

The A&M group, comprised of staff members and students from the Departments of Biology and Wildlife Management, received a certificate of recognition for its collection of specimens.

Also featured at the Open House exhibit will be live specimens from other states and countries, including Gila Monsters from Mexico and Arizona, a five-foot boa constrictor from South America, a Vine snake from Panama, lizards from Australia and salamanders and frogs from Switzerland.

Team of Officers Arrives at 3 p.m.

The annual federal inspection of the Army ROTC units is set for tomorrow to be climaxed by a review by the Corps held Saturday morning at 9 a. m. on the main drill field in front of the Memorial Student Center.

Members of the 11-man Army inspection group, headed by Col. Robert J. Hill Jr., arrived at Easterwood Field this afternoon at 3 p. m.

Federal inspection of the Army ROTC will begin tomorrow morning. Capt. John W. Simmons, instructor in the Department of Military Science and Tactics, said the team will cover the campus inspecting each corps dorm, military science classroom instructor, the use of government property and training schedules.

The last 15 minutes of each military science class will be given to team inspectors who will ask questions, Simmons said. The inspection team will inspect the Corps in front of the dorms at 5:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Arriving with Hill were Lt. Col. John C. Allan, GS(Armory); Maj. George H. Worf, Artillery; Lt. Col. Walter C. Henderson, Engineer Section; Maj. Festus E. Harrison, Chemical Section; Col. Charles Askins, Ordnance; Maj. Fred W. Dollar, Quartermaster Section; Lt. Col. Gerald M. Cravens, Signal Section; Lt. Col. Gordon F. Tyrrell, Transportation Section; Lt. Col. Harold M. Kennedy, GS(Infantry), Combat Arms; and Capt. Arthur J. White, Army Aviation Section.

Each of the officers, most of whom are from the 4th Army Headquarters, Fort Sam Houston, will inspect his respective branch here on the campus.

Maj. Gen. L. S. Griffing, deputy commanding general of the 4th Army Headquarters, Fort Sam Houston, will be here Saturday to review the Corps.

Hill, leading the inspection team, is a member of the staff and faculty of the U.S. Army Artillery and Missile Center, Fort Sill, Okla. He has been in the Army since June, 1939, following his graduation from the U.S. Military Academy. Hill completed the Command and General Staff College in 1950, the Armed Forces Staff College in 1954 and the Army War College in 1956.

During World War II, Hill served in the European Theater of Operations as commanding officer of the 180th Field Artillery Battalion of the 26th Infantry Division. He was awarded the Silver Star, the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit.

Supervisors will be assisted by A&M agriculture students, and the results will be tabulated by members of the staff of the Department of Agricultural Education. J. R. Jackson is contest chairman and coordinator for the contest.

Leggett Hall Students Must Make Change

Students living in Leggett Hall are being moved to Dorm 16, Walton, Law and Puryear halls in preparation for a renovation of the building which will begin Monday.

Leggett Hall students began making dorm changes Wednesday morning, and the majority of the men had been reassigned by Wednesday afternoon. Students in the other dorms were asked to consolidate their vacancies to allow the incoming students to remain together as much as possible.

First choice of reassignment in September will be given to Leggett Hall men. Students who pay their \$6 room reservation fee by July 31 will be assured of a room, according to Robert O. Murray, director of Student Personnel Services.

"We would like to express our appreciation to the Leggett Hall students for their fine show of cooperation throughout this change in quarters," said Murray.

Ring Dance Tickets Priced At \$10 a Couple by Officers

Tickets for Ring Dance activities May 16 were set at \$10 a couple yesterday by officers of the Class of '59.

The officers set the price after some debate over expected number of attendants and estimated costs of the affair. The figure was set at the minimum which the class could collect from an estimated crowd of 600 couples—and cover all expenses.

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Tickets are due to go on sale early next week on a first-come, first-serve basis. Tickets will be numbered as to time for the picture in the ring. Dinner duets have been limited to 1,200 this year because of limited space in

Senior Barbecue

Dick Hervey, secretary of the Former Students Assn., met with the officers yesterday and formally invited the Class of '59 to a barbecue in their honor on May 7. Hervey said the sixth annual affair was the association's way of welcoming the graduates to the organization. He asked that free tickets for the barbecue be handed out to all seniors graduating in May, summer school or in January so that an accurate count of the number attending could be made.

Free tickets will come down to Corps seniors through military channels and to civilians through dorm representatives. Day students may pick up their tickets in the Office of Student Activities, the Former Students Office or from Robert O. Murray Jr., director of Student Affairs.

Workman to Speak Tonight in YMCA

The Rev. Charles Workman, Presbyterian student worker, will speak tonight at 7:30 on "Religion in Marriage" for the YMCA Marriage Forum.

Meeting will be in the YMCA Building.

Rev. Workman received his education at the University of Texas and Union Theological Seminary, New York City, N. Y. He has held regular pastorates in the Austin Larger Parish and Mesquite before coming to College Station.