

Three Dances, Two Banquets Highlight Weekend

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Plots Reportedly Underway To Assassinate Fidel Castro

NEW YORK (AP)—Two small bands of hired killers were reportedly headed here Thursday, bent upon the assassination of Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

The two groups—five brothers in one car and two men in another—were described in a tip to police as non-Cubans, in the hire of sinister but unidentified foes of the bearded revolutionary leader. The tip came from Castro aides.

In Washington, government security authorities said the newest threat did not appear any more alarming than several hundred others that have been made since Castro's arrival in this country.

Nevertheless, New York Dep. Chief Inspector Edward W. Byrnes said: "We, along with the State Department security division, are definitely on the alert to prevent any attempts being made to take the life of Castro."

Castro, himself, kept to his schedule of public appearances. He shrugged off the reported assassination plot.

But his police guard—heaviest ever assigned a Manhattan visitor—definitely has been worried by Castro's disregard of security measures. Time and again he has made himself a sitting duck for any would-be assassin.

The real nightmare from the standpoint of his protectors comes Friday night in a climax to Castro's visit here, which began Tuesday. He is to appear at a rally in Central Park, where the wooded, rolling terrain is ideal for an assassination attempt.

There have been demonstrations against Castro by supporters of former Cuban President Fulgencio

Basista, whom Castro ousted. One of them, involving about 150 pickets, occurred in Times Square Thursday.

Photo Salon Set May 2-11

The first annual Southwestern Inter-Collegiate Photo Salon will be held on the A&M campus May 2-11.

The salon will be sponsored by the Memorial Student Center Camera Committee.

It is the first such event to be held where colleges compete against each other as teams. Photographs will be classified into five general categories—nature, still life, news, sports, and portraiture—and judges will select the outstanding photograph in each.

Judges will be members of the Photographic Society of America.

All colleges and universities of Region IX of the Association of College Unions are invited. This includes about 30 schools from Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arkansas.

Trophies will be awarded to the first, second, and third place teams and to the best print in the salon. Ribbons will be awarded to the outstanding print in each category and all prints will be on exhibit in the MSC immediately after the judging.

Astronomer Gives Lectures Here; Interviews Open

Dr. Helmut Abt, assistant professor of astronomy at the University of Chicago, will be on the campus next Thursday and Friday to present a series of lectures sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

Abt will deliver two lectures next Thursday. At 10 a.m. he will talk on "The Composition of Stars" in Room 320 of the Physics Building. At 8 Thursday night he will lecture on "Radio Astronomy" in the Lecture Room of the Biological Sciences Building.

Friday at 5 p.m. Abt will speak on "Magnetic Stars" in Room 320 of the Physics Building.

The public is invited to each lecture.

Apt completed his work for the bachelor's and master's degrees at Northwestern University and in 1952 received his Ph. D. from the California Institute of Technology. He was at the Lick Observatory in California for a year and has been at Yerkes Observatory in Wisconsin since 1953, except for a year during which he took part in a preliminary search for a site for the National Astronomical Observatory.

Beginning Sept. 1, he will join the permanent staff of the Kitt Peak National Observatory as head of the Stellar Division. He was the first person to spot Kitt Peak as a possible observatory site during the site survey.

Apt is a member of the American Astronomical Society, International Astronomical Union, Royal Astronomical Society of England, Astronomical Society of the Pacific and Sigma XI.

"Dr. Abt will be available through Wendell Horsley at the placement office for consultation with students Thursday afternoon and Friday morning and afternoon. All students interested in a career in space, technology and astronomy should make appointments to talk with Dr. Apt," Dr. J. T. Kent, Department of Mathematics, said yesterday.

"He will also be available by appointment for discussion with faculty or departments on curriculum or teaching problems. He can likewise conduct seminars," Kent said.

According to the tip Thursday, one band of assassins numbers five brothers, originally from Philadelphia and now of Chicago. They were reported traveling in a 1957 black Chevrolet with a white top and bearing Florida license plates.

The second party, of two men, is said to be from Detroit, traveling in a dirty gray Cadillac with Michigan plates.

Typical of Castro's New York schedule were appearances at City Hall, and at an Overseas Press Club luncheon at the Astor Hotel in Times Square. At both appearances, and traveling to and from them, Castro was brought close to thousands of persons.

11-Man Team Inspecting

Corps Review Tomorrow To Climax Annual Inspection

A review of the Corps of Cadets tomorrow at 9 a.m. on the main drill field in front of the Memorial Student Center will close the annual two-day inspection of Army ROTC units.

Federal inspection of Army ROTC units began this morning. An 11-man team has been covering the campus, inspecting each Corps dorm, military science classroom instructor, the use of government property and training schedules, according to Capt. John W. Simmons, instructor in the Department of Military Science and Tactics.

The closing 15 minutes of each military science class are being devoted to team inspectors who will ask questions, Simmons said. The inspection team will inspect the Army units in front of the dorms today at 5:30 p.m.

Included in the 11-man inspection group, headed by Col. Robert J. Hill Jr., are Lt. Col. John C. Allen, GS (Armor); Maj. George H. Wurf, Artillery; Lt. Col. Walter C. Henderson, Engineer Section; Maj.

News of the World

By The Associated Press

Air Force Launches Missile from Bomber
WASHINGTON—The Air Force launched its hound dog missile on an initial flight from a B52 heavy bomber flying over the Atlantic missile range Thursday.

The missile has a range of 500 miles and can carry a nuclear war head. The announcement said the missile "successfully met its test objectives," but no report was made on the distance covered.

The missile is intended to enable a strategic bomber to deliver a nuclear weapon to a target without flying into a heavily defended area.

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Dulles Takes Another Job

WASHINGTON—John Foster Dulles took on another job Thursday in a touching little hospital ceremony that seemed to please him.

President Eisenhower, a man who likes to mix sentiment with the chores of office, drove out to Walter Reed Army Hospital and handed his old friend a commission as special consultant on foreign policy.



'Sully' Gets Spring Cleaning

Squadron 10 freshmen gave the statue of Lawrence Sullivan Ross its annual spring cleaning yesterday afternoon. The cleaning seemed to fit in with the general clean-up campaign underway in preparation for Army ROTC Federal Inspection.

Math Contest Set Tuesday

The annual mathematics contest examinations, featuring two gold wrist watches as top prizes, will be held for freshmen and sophomores Tuesday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Room 223 of the Academic Building.

Second prizes of \$15 and third of \$10 will also be given in each contest.

Any students student now enrolled in either Mathematics 120 or 209 whose classification at the beginning of the 1958-59 school year was not above that of freshman or who has not repeated a college math course is eligible to enter the freshman contest.

The sophomore contest is open to any students now taking Mathematics 210 whose classification at the beginning of this school year

was not above sophomore and has not repeated a college math course.

All freshman awards and the second and third place sophomore awards are provided by the Robert F. Smith Memorial Fund.

The first prize for sophomores is obtained through the Halperin Award Fund. Both Smith and Halperin were members of the Department of Mathematics.

Winners in the freshman contest last year were Buyron E. Laycock, first place; Donald F. Boren, second place; and Donald A. Brenner and Robert W. Hester, tied for third place.

Sophomore winners last year were Joe W. Woodard, first place; Harley H. McAdams, second place; and David C. Larson, third place.

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 campus.

Maj. Gen. L. S. Griffing, deputy commanding general of the 4th Army, will be here for the review Saturday.

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.

MSC Banquet Opens Activities Tonight

By JOHNNY JOHNSON
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Three banquets and two dances highlight the weekend's social activities with the Memorial Student Center Council and Directorate Awards Banquet and the annual Architecture Society Ball kicking off things tonight.

Tomorrow night the Ross Volunteers will hold their banquet and the Baptist Student Union will have their annual banquet.

More than 160 persons are expected for the MSC banquet which begins at 7:15 p. m. in the MSC second floor lounge where refreshments will be served. At 7:45 p. m. the actual banquet will begin.

Featuring an Alaskan theme, the banquet's highlight will be the presentation of 23 MSC Appreciation Awards and three MSC Distinguished Service Awards.

New officers of the MSC Council and Directorate will also take office at the banquet which will be final official function of the old officers.

Special guests will include the members of the A&M System Board of Directors, President and Mrs. M. T. Harrington, Vice President and Mrs. Earl Rudder, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Zinn and Mr. and Mrs. George Roeber. Zinn is director of Student Personnel Service and Roeber is business manager of the college.

The Silvertones, a quartet; Dick Gustafson, a ballad singer; and Lynn Adcock, a pianist; will provide entertainment.

MSC Council President Ronald Buford will give the main address.

Architects Ball
The Architecture Society's Beau Arts Ball will feature a "beatnik" theme and will be held beginning at 8 p. m. in the Bryan American Legion Hall.

Beards, turtle neck sweaters, baggy trousers, tattered pants and similar attire will be worn by those attending in connection with the theme of the dance. Prizes will be awarded to the couple best dressed in "beatnik" fashion. The decoration scheme, which will feature large "beatnik" cartoons and figures, will carry out the ball's theme.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Richard Smith's Aggie combo. All architecture majors and faculty members are invited to attend the dance, according to Jim Vickery, president of the student chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

BSU Banquet
The BSU Banquet will be held at 6:30 Saturday night at Clayton's Restaurant in Bryan. Jack Hamm, a commercial art instructor at Baylor University at Waco, will be the featured speaker.

Hamm is a preacher with a unique method of reaching his (See THREE DANCES on Page 4)

CS Resident Better
C. C. Rice, College Station resident who was injured Wednesday in a car-truck collision at East Gate, has been reported by Bryan Hospital authorities to be in "improved condition."

Hospital authorities did not stipulate when Rice would be released. Examinations for the Opportunity Awards Program will be given Saturday and May 2 to all Texas high school boys who have submitted applications. Approximately 100 scholarships will be granted this spring through a statewide competition, based upon each candidate's character, scholarship, evidence of leadership and need of financial aid. Five Jesse H. Jones Agricultural Awards are available, and two Jesse H. Jones Military Awards will be given to men desiring to follow military careers. Other awards have been provided by the Association of Former Students and other citizens and organizations of the state. Most of these are unrestricted as to the course of study.

Student Filings Close Today For 10 Posts

Filings for student offices close today at 5 p.m., with 10 positions to be filled at the general election Thursday of next week.

Of the 10 positions, eight are on the Student Senate. The other two positions are class agent for the Class of '59 and civilian yell leader.

The eight Student Senate offices consist of president, who must be academically classified as a senior next fall; vice president, required to be a junior next fall; parliamentary, required to be a senior; and recording secretary, who must be classified as a sophomore at the beginning of the fall semester.

The remaining four positions on the senate are chairmen for the Issues Committee, Student Life Committee, Student Welfare Committee, and the Public Relations Committee. These positions require that candidates be classified as a junior or senior for the 1959-60 term and have an overall grade point ratio of 1.25.

Only qualification for the class agent post is that candidates be members of the Class of '59. Candidates for civilian yell leader must have a 1.25 overall grade point ratio.

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'Silvertones' to Entertain

Leipper to Speak Monday At CSC Banquet in MSC

By DAVE STOKER
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Dr. Dale F. Leipper, head of the Department of Oceanography and Meteorology, will be the guest speaker at the Civilian Student Council Banquet Monday evening, it was reported at the Civilian Student Council meeting last night.

The banquet will be held at 6 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center.

The Silvertones, Aggie singing group, will be at the banquet to provide entertainment. The group consists of James Hickey, Robert Blakewood, Sonny Flores and Ramon Perez.

Highlighting the banquet will be the naming of the outstanding Civilian Student Councilman of 1959. Various other awards will be given.

In other business at the meeting last night, the members voted in favor of supporting a \$2. compulsory fee to be paid at registration by all members of the Civilian student body to finance Civilian student government.

A report on the purpose of the fee will soon be presented to college executives. The report points out mainly the problems of Civilian government finance, and how such a fee would help finance Civilian government.

The councilmen agreed that it would take the support of all members of the Civilian student body as well as the support of Council members. It was reported that all dormitory councils seemed to be in favor of such a fee.

New members to the Civilian Student Council were elected this week and they will take over their positions at the Council's next regular meeting. New members introduced at the meeting last night were James Lively, Mitchell; Mike Carlo, Leggett; John Garner, Law; Thomas Butler, Dorm 16; Larry Clark, Bizzell; Jim Hall, Day Student; Dusty Thames, Senior Class; and Kenneth Dorris, College View. Other new members not present at the meeting are Guy Pittman, College View; Wayne Allen, Project House; and Thomas M. Butler, Miller.

The Civilian Student Leadership Retreat at Bastrop Park May 2, was also discussed at the meeting. An outline of the event was presented to Councilmen by Dennis Ryan, chairman of the retreat.

The retreat is expected to be attended by all Civilian government leaders. Registration is \$5, per student and covers room and board at the park during the retreat. Deadline to register is today at 5 p.m. Interested Civilian students should register in the office of Robert O. Murray, Jr., in the basement of the YMCA.

During the one day retreat, Civilian leaders will discuss ways to improve Civilian government at A&M.

In other business Tommy Beckett, president, appointed a Civilian Chaplain Selection Committee. On the committee are Sammy Ferguson, Don Houston, Jack Little and Roland Dommert. The committee is expected to have a new chaplain chosen at the Council's next meeting. Ferguson has been the chaplain the past year.

Senate Picks Mrs. Cleland 1959 Mother

The Student Senate last night chose Mrs. Dorothy Cleland as the Aggie Mother of the Year in a special meeting in the Memorial Student Center.

Mrs. Cleland, widowed since 1954, has taught school for the last 15 years to help send her three sons, Robert, Franklin and Wilfred, through school.

Robert Cleland graduated from A&M with the Class of '48 and Franklin Cleland graduated with the Class of '54. Her younger son, Wilfred, is currently a senior physics major.

Her nomination as the Aggie Mother of the Year was unanimously by the Senate.

Meteorology Prof To Be Decorated By Argentine Navy

A Naval decoration from the government of Argentina will be presented to a staff member of A&M in a ceremony in Washington, D. C., Wednesday.

The decoration, a medal and a citation, will be awarded to Guy Franceschini, assistant professor of meteorology and a research scientist in the Department of Oceanography and Meteorology.

The ceremony will be held in the Argentine Embassy and the presentation will be made by Admiral Mario Robbio, Argentine Naval attache in Washington.

Franceschini is being decorated for exemplary services rendered during an Antarctic expedition to the Weddell Sea in January and February, 1958. He accompanied the expedition as an observer on the invitation of the Argentine navy.

While in Washington, Franceschini will attend the joint meeting of the American Meteorology Society and the American Geophysical Union, May 4-7, to present a scientific paper on radiation.