

Weather

Partly cloudy and mild through Wednesday with some possible light showers.

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Cusimano Paid Last Tribute

For the second time in a week, the final Silver Taps tribute was paid a departed Aggie sophomore. The traditional ceremony was given last night for Tony Cusimano, sophomore agricultural engineering major from Houston in Squadron 9.

Cusimano was the victim of drowning while swimming in the Brazos River last Saturday — a bare week following the boxing death of Curtis Lyons in Huntsville.

The body of the 21-year-old cadet was recovered from the Brazos near the Koppe Bridge at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, about three hours after he disappeared in the river.

Don Lieske, sophomore geology major from Houston, and Cusimano had gone swimming in the Brazos at about 2:45 p.m. Saturday. Lieske told Bryan Sheriff J. W. Hamilton that he and his companion were swimming in the

river when he looked back and saw Cusimano in trouble.

Lieske said he called to Cusimano asking if he was in trouble and received no answer. Lieske told the sheriff he called a second time before telling Cusimano to return to the bank.

Cusimano then started back, but the stream was too swift and he began drifting downstream. Lieske said Cusimano called for help, then disappeared.

The body was recovered by the Rev. Ray Head, a Wellborn minister.

Funeral services for Cusimano were held yesterday at 9 a.m. at the All Saints Catholic Church in Houston. The intern was in the Garden of Gethsemane Cemetery.

980 Students Are Candidates For Graduation

Nine hundred and eighty A&M students are candidates for degrees at the May 23 commencement. Included are 105 candidates for advanced degrees.

James W. Foley, '32, president of The Texas Co., New York, will deliver the commencement address. Foley holds a B.S. degree in petroleum engineering.

The commencement program will be held at 9 a.m. in the G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The program follows: Procession, "March Triumphant," Mrs. A. B. Medlen, organist.

Invocation, Sammy J. Ferguson, Atlanta, civilian chaplain.

Presentation of Development Fund gift to A&M by Thomas A. Murrah, San Antonio, president of the Association of Former Students.

Announcements and introduction of speaker, President M. T. Harrington.

Commencement address, Foley. Conferring of degrees, President Harrington.

"The Spirit of Aggieland," graduates and audience led by Cadet Robert D. Hyde of Wichita Falls.

Benediction, Cadet John H. Partridge, Jr. of Corpus Christi, Corps chaplain.

Recession, "Postlude," Mrs. Medlen, organist.



'Mother' Takes Salute

Mrs. Dorothy Cleland of Pasadena, Aggie Mother of the Year, takes the salute of the Corps of Cadets shortly after being honored as the Aggie Mother of the Year for 1959 last Sunday. Mrs. Cleland, the mother of three Aggies, witnessed the review with President M. T. Harrington left, and Vice President Earl Rudder.

Wins Two Others

Squadron 4 Receives General Moore Award

Squadron 4 walked away with three top honors including the Gen. George F. Moore Award as outstanding cadets and units were honored Sunday morning.

Commanded by Cadet Roy Davies, the unit won the Houston Chamber of Commerce's Military Affairs Committee Award to the best-drilled unit and also the Woolridge Award, a saber presented to the outstanding Air Force unit, in addition to the Gen. Moore Award.

The presentation of awards was one of the highlights of the annual observance of Parents' Day activities held Sunday and the open houses held Saturday.

The Gen. Moore Award goes annually to the organization having the highest over-all general rating based on academic proficiency,

military proficiency, intramural and extra-curricular activities and is offered by the School of Military Science.

The President's Award, a flag presented annually by the president of the college to the battalion or group with the highest scholastic standing, was won by the Fifth Battalion, 2nd Regiment, commanded by Cadet Lt. Col. Benjamin B. Trotter of Bryan.

The Texas Department, Reserve Officers Assn. Award, a saber presented annually to the Corps Commander was presented to Cadet Col. of the Corps Donald Roy Cloud.

The George P. F. Jouine Scholarship Award, a flag presented annually by the A&M Mothers' Club of Houston to the company-size unit with the highest scholastic standing, was won by A Medical Company, commanded by Cadet Capt. Curtis Wayne Boyd.

The Fritz Award, a cup and key presented to the most outstanding company commander in the cadet corps, went to Cadet Capt. Paul S. Voinis of Houston, commander of B-AAA.

The Caldwell Trophy, a watch presented by Caldwell's Jewelry Store of Bryan to the outstanding non-commissioned officer in the cadet corps, was won by Cadet M. Sgt. William B. Heye Jr. of San Antonio, Corps Staff.

The Federated A&M Mothers' Clubs of Texas Award, a bronze cup and key presented to the most outstanding third class cadet in the cadet corps, went to Cadet Cpl. Paul J. Phillips of Conroe, White Band sophomore.

Marion M. Walton Jr., A Infantry freshman, won the outstanding freshman cadet award.

The Albert Sidney Johnson Saber, presented annually by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, was won by Cadet Col. Charles Howard Robinson, 2nd

Wing commander.

The Daughters of the American Revolution Award of \$200 cash to an outstanding second class cadet went to Cadet M. Sgt. Wiley Wade Dover Jr., Corps Staff.

The U. S. Air Force Assn. Medal presented to an outstanding senior Air Force cadet, was won by Cadet Lt. Col. John Henry Partridge Jr., Corps Chaplain.

The R. D. Hinton Awards, medals presented annually in memory of the late R. D. Hinton, to the outstanding color bearers and color guards, went to 2nd Regiment color guards Cadet T. Sgt. Robert Bruce Keith and Cadet T. Sgt. Robert Forrest Martin; and 2nd Regiment color bearers Cadet Cpl. Jerry Ivey Gilliland and Cadet Cpl. Billy James Thompson.

Three other units received recognition as the best drilled units in the Cadet Corps this year. They were B-AAA, Squadron 11 and Squadron 9.

Final Interviews Set for Town Hall

Town Hall staff member interviews will be held for the last time tonight at 7:30 in the Corps Conference Room in Dorm 2, according to Bill Phillips, next year's Town Hall student entertainment manager.

Phillips said that next year's staff members will do mainly usher and publicity work while receiving such benefits as attending two steak fries, getting into all unscheduled shows free and getting a first-hand introduction into the background of show business.

Interest, scholastic classification as a junior and an over-all grade point ratio of 1.25 are the only requirements for becoming a member of Town Hall staff, said Phillips.

Compulsory Corps Also Mentioned

By JOHNNY JOHNSON
Battalion Editor

State legislators took another jab at A&M's decreased enrollment as the Senate passed a resolution calling for the A&M System Board of Directors to study the feasibility of making Aggieland co-educational.

The resolution also asked the board to study the possibility of dropping the present compulsory military training.

Sen. Martin Dies Jr., Lufkin lawmaker, presented the resolution with Bryan's Sen. W. T. (Bill) Moore, '40, and Sen. Preston Smith of Lubbock going on record as co-sponsors.

The resolution passed by the Senate was a watered-down version of the original resolution offered by Dies.

While one former student was backing the stronger measure calling for the board to consider the proposals, Sen. Bob Baker, '44, of Houston, proposed an amendment to the proposal which had just passed the Senate by a tight 15-13 vote.

Baker's amendment called for the board to merely study the possibilities of the changes and was passed by a voice vote.

President M. T. Harrington said last night that the resolution is simply asking the board to study and that is all.

"The board is and always has been willing to study anything that will improve the school," said President Harrington.

The move in effect gave the senate's approval to the making of A&M a co-educational institution and also doing away with military training in its present compulsory form.

The displays were judged on their appearance, skill in organization, originality and initiative displayed in the show, the skill used in displaying the layout and how well it was manned during the contest, said Benson.

Guide Posts

"Freedom is not worth having if it does not connote freedom to err."—Mahatma Gandhi



Miss Universe Entries

Peggy Wilson and Janis Hooks, Sam Houston State College coeds, are entries in the Bryan Miss Universe Regional Contest scheduled for Thursday night. The event will be held at the Townshire Shopping Center. The winner will be named Miss Brazos Valley of 1959 and will represent the area in the Texas Miss Universe Contest at Lake Whitney.



Tony Cusimano
... drowning victim

Vanity Fair Pics Ready for Pickup

Pictures submitted to the Aggieland '59 as Vanity Fair entries may be picked up in the Office of Student Publications on the ground floor of the YMCA, Rod Stepp, Aggieland '59 editor, said this morning.

Vanity Fair nominees will be announced in Friday's issue of The Battalion and will be honored Friday night at the annual Student Publications Banquet.

Moore Trophy Finals Released

Final standings for the Gen. George F. Moore Award were released yesterday by Lt. Col. Taylor W. Wilkins, assistant commandant.

The award is based on scholarship, military proficiency, intramural proficiency, and extra curricular activities.

The standings are as follows:

- 1—Squadron 4
- 2—White Band
- 3—B AAA
- 4—C Composite
- 5—Squadron 17
- 6—Squadron 13
- 7—Squadron 3
- 8—A Medical
- 9—Squadron 9
- 10—A Signal Corps
- 11—A Chemical
- 12—C Field Artillery
- 13—A Ordnance
- 14—A Composite
- 15—Squadron 21
- 16—A Veterinary
- 17—B Field Artillery
- 18—Squadron 22
- 19—C Infantry
- 20—Maroon Band
- 21—Squadron 20
- 22—B Composite
- 23—A Athletics
- 24—A Infantry
- 25—A Quartermaster
- 26—Squadron 8
- 27—Squadron 1
- 28—Squadron 5
- 29—Squadron 6
- 30—Squadron 16;
- C AAA (tie)
- 32—B Infantry
- 33—Squadron 2
- 34—A AAA
- 35—Squadron 12
- 36—A Engineers
- 37—Squadron 11
- 38—B Armor
- 39—Squadron 10
- 40—B Ordnance;
- A Field Artillery (tie)
- 41—A Field Artillery
- 42—B Athletics
- 43—A Transportation
- 44—Squadron 19
- 45—B Engineers
- 46—A Armor
- 47—Squadron 7
- 48—Squadron 18
- 49—Squadron 14
- 50—Squadron 15;
- C Engineers (tie)
- 52—Squadron 23
- 53—C Armor

Storm Hits College With Heavy Winds, 3.15 Inches Rain

High winds and heavy rains blanketed the College Station area Sunday evening in part of a storm that lashed destructively across South Central and Central Texas.

Wind, recorded atop the college radar tower during the storm, reached a maximum of 46 miles per hour at 8:30 p.m.

The storm hit here around 6 p.m. Sunday and by 8:30 a.m. Monday a total of 3.15 inches of rainfall was recorded at the college weather station.

Near Munford one of the state's five tornadoes injured seven persons and ripped down trees and buildings on Brazos valley plantations and near Wellborn.

Four children and three adults were treated for injuries at the in Hearne after their homes were demolished by a tornado.