

Public Safety Department Predicts 26 Will Die in Weekend Traffic

AUSTIN—The Texas Department of Public Safety forecast today 26 persons will be killed in traffic accidents this weekend when the Fourth of July holiday creates one of the most deadly three-day driving periods of the year.

Col. Homer Garrison Jr., director, issued the grim prediction along with an urgent plea to motorists to "prove we have over-

estimated by maintaining unusual alertness to the added dangers of holiday traffic."

He noted that the prediction of 26 traffic fatalities is one more than the 25 victims counted in a similar three-day Fourth of July period last year. The prediction is higher this year, he said, because of a definite upward trend in motorcides.

"Therefore, it can be said that

the streets and highways of Texas will be potentially more dangerous during the celebration of Independence Day this year," Garrison said.

The Public Safety Director announced that "Operation Holiday" will be in effect starting at 12:01 a.m. Friday, July 3, until midnight Sunday, July 5. During this period all radar units available will be in operation, and the Highway

Patrol force will be expanded by some 125 additional patrolmen from the License and Weight and Motor Vehicle Inspection divisions.

"We will do everything in our power to stem the tide of motorcides next weekend," he said, "but the main job belongs to the driving public, who must guard against dangerous driving factors such as speeding too fast for condi-

tions, drinking and driving, fatigue and just general inattention."

Garrison reminded also: "The fatality list, already nearing the 1,000 mark at mid-year, is shocking. But in addition we must remember the untold suffering of thousands of persons who are injured in highway wrecks in addition to the tremendous economic loss involved."

He pointed out that traffic

deaths are up about 10 per cent over last year, with approximately 100 more victims counted to date.

This factor was taken into consideration by N. K. Woerner, manager of the Statistical Services Section, in arriving at the estimate of 26 motorcides for the three-day holiday. Woerner reported that by coincidence, the average Fourth of July traffic death toll over the last eight years

was 26. The highest toll for the three-day period was in 1954, when 33 persons were killed in traffic.

"In addition to the greater traffic hazard, Fourth of July celebrations involve swimming, boating, picnicking and fireworks," Woerner noted. "Drownings, food poisoning and burns are of high frequency during this period. To protect life and property, the public should be extra cautious in all their activities."

Weather

Partly cloudy today, tonight and Friday with widely scattered thundershowers.

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Harrington Named A&M Chancellor

Former Genetics Head

Final Rites Held For E. P. Humbert

Funeral services were held yesterday at 4 p.m. for Dr. E. P. Humbert, 78, of Bryan, former head of the Department of Genetics at A&M, who died in a Bryan hospital late Monday night.

He had been ill for some time. He came to A&M in 1916 to work in the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. In 1921 he was transferred to the teaching division and made a professor of genetics in the Department of Agronomy. In 1922 the Department of Genetics was established with Humbert as its head.

Humbert went on modified service Sept. 1, 1946 and retired on Aug. 31, 1951.

A native of Corning, Iowa, he graduated from Iowa State College in 1906, receiving a bachelor of science degree in agriculture and taught at that institution for one year. Then he went to Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., where he was awarded a master of science

degree in 1908 and a doctor's degree in genetics in 1910.

Humbert worked for one year as a plant physiologist for the United States Department of Agriculture and then for a year at the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Following four years of work as an agronomist at New Mexico A&M, he came to Texas in January of 1916.

He was a member of several professional and honorary societies.

Humbert's hobbies included chess, music and radio.

He was one of the most widely known educators in the field of genetics in the nation.

He was an active civic worker and served at one time as president of the Bryan Rotary Club and as district governor of Rotary International.

Humbert was active in developing the present rules and regulations used by the State Seed and Plant Board. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Certified Seed Growers Inc.

He was a member of the Methodist Church of Bryan.

He is survived by his wife, Ella A. Humbert; a daughter, Mrs. Nelson Fuller of San Diego, Calif.; two sons, Robert of Kansas City and John, a teacher in the San Angelo, Texas, public schools.

Funeral services were held at the Hillier Funeral Home in Bryan Wednesday afternoon at 4.

Graduation Notices

Graduation announcements for all summer graduates are now on sale in the Department of Student Activities, Room 210, YMCA.

The announcements can be purchased until 5 p.m. Friday, July 31.

Leland Grumbles To Attend Course

Dr. Leland C. Grumbles, head of the Department of Veterinary Microbiology of the School of Veterinary Medicine, will participate in a special course at the University of Colorado, July 6-31.

The intensive four-week course on the structure and function of living cells, techniques of tissue culture and interpretation of results will be held under the sponsorship of the Tissue Culture Assn. of the American Institute of Bacteriological Sciences.

Dr. John Paul of the University of Glasgow, Scotland, will direct the course. He is an international authority on the fundamentals and application of tissue culture in many areas.

Stanley Standridge To Enroll at A&M

Stan Standridge, Fort Worth Paschal High School all-State pitcher, recently signed to enroll as a freshman at A&M this fall. Coach Tom Chandler said this week.

Standridge, who performed outstandingly in the State High School Baseball Tournament this year, was one of the most sought after baseball prospects in the state.

The Paschal righthander pitched a one-hitter to defeat Raymond Culp and his Austin teammates 1-0 in the opening game of the state tourney. Culp has since signed a major league contract. Beaumont downed Paschal in the finals for the state title.

Standridge, who is about 5 feet, 10 inches tall and weighs 170, played baseball under Joe Hardgrove, a former Aggie hurler. Standridge was also a football player at Paschal but will not play football at A&M because of a knee injury.

Chandler said he rated Stand-

ridge as one of the best high school pitchers in the state and was very happy to get him to come to A&M.

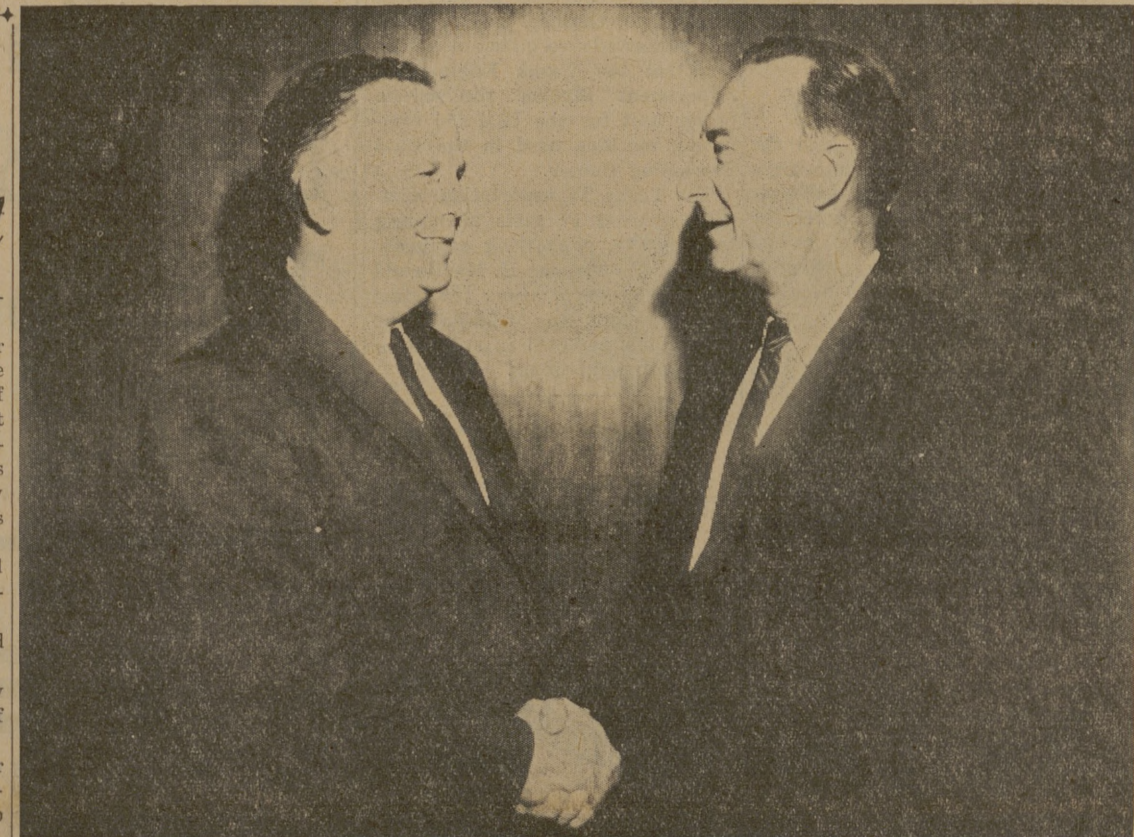
Standridge will join Don Sanders, Paschal end, at A&M. Sanders, an all-State footballer, previously signed a football letter of intent.

Third 'Den Dance' Scheduled Tonight

A "Special Dance" Monday night, featuring a Latin American floorshow and Bill Turner's Aggie-land Combo, will highlight the week's activities of the Memorial Student Center Summer Directorate Program.

The dance is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. in the Ballroom.

The third "Den Dance" tonight at 8:30 in the MSC Fountain Room will provide students and young people of the Bryan-College Station area entertainment by juke box.



Congratulations

Dr. M. T. Harrington, right, newly appointed chancellor of the A&M System, congratulates Earl Rudder on his being appointed president of the college. Rudder will now

hold the position previously held by Harrington. The two were promoted by the board of directors at the board's meeting here last Saturday.

Wilson and Paxson

Talented Performers Mark Nearing Summer Operetta

Carolyn Ann Wilson and John B. Paxton will play the leading roles in the summer operetta, "Trial by Jury", to be presented in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center July 14-15.

Miss Wilson will play the part of the plaintiff in the show produced by Bill Turner and directed by Mrs. Joe Barron.

While in high school at A&M Consolidated, Miss Wilson was a chorus soloist for four years, a night of music soloist for three years, winner in the high school talent show for two years and a first place soloist in the state contest for two years.

She has been soloist for the A&M Methodist Church Choir for the past five years and has appeared in the MSC Recital Series.

Miss Wilson is currently majoring in voice at the University of Houston on a scholarship and is in the University of Houston concert and grand choir. She also has appeared on Television.

She was a high school cheerleader for two years, appeared in the high school junior and senior plays and appeared in a district and regional one act play.

John Paxson, graduate student teaching fellowship at A&M, will portray the part of the defendant in the Gilbert and Sullivan play.

Paxson sang lead in the 1957 summer operetta, "Smokey Mountain."

He has done solo and chorus work in Boston, Mass. He studied voice five years in Boston and was a member of the Houston Choral for three years.

In playing the defendant role, he will portray Edwin, a roving lover who is being tried for breach of promise.

The judge in the play will be portrayed by Charles Mitchell and Jim Rector will portray the part of the usher.

The show is being sponsored by the Department of Student Activities.

Rose and Wamble Return From Meet

Dr. Aaron Rose and A. Cecil Wamble have returned from attending the recent convention of the International Oil Mill Superintendents' Assn. at Galveston.

Rose, director of the Texas Engineering Station, was in Galveston for the final day of the sessions and Wamble, head of the Cottonseed Products Research Laboratory of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, was a delegate at all the sessions.



John Paxson



Carolyn Ann Wilson

Rudder Promoted To President Spot

The Board of Directors of A&M named Dr. M. T. Harrington chancellor of the college system and Earl Rudder president of the college at a meeting here last Saturday.

The board also named Dr. Jack Woolf president of Arlington State College. Woolf had been acting president since November.

Harrington had been president of both the A&M System and of the college.

Rudder, an A&M alumnus, resigned as land commissioner to become vice president of A&M Feb. 1, 1958.

The board said that "with the change in status of Arlington State College and Tarleton

includes four senior colleges, appreciably increasing the responsibilities of the top administrative officer of the system.

"The board therefore believes it wise to relieve Dr. Harrington of his dual responsibilities as president of the system and president of A&M College, returning him to the position of chancellor."

Rudder's appointment as president of A&M and Woolf's appointment as president of Arlington State was made on the recommendation of Harrington.

Rudder was an Aggie letterman in football and a World War II combat hero. He is a native of Eden, Concho County, Texas, and a 1932 graduate of A&M. He also attended Tarleton State College his first two years.

A former teacher and football coach and one-time mayor of Brady, he commanded Ranger forces in assaults in Normandy and commanded the 10th Infantry Regiment of the 28th Division in the Battle of the Bulge.

Woolf, a native of Trinidad, Texas, joined Arlington State in 1957 as dean. He formerly was employed at Convoir, Fort Worth.

Harrington, a native of Plano and a graduate of A&M, previously served as chancellor from Sept. 1, 1953, to Sept. 1, 1957, when the title was eliminated and he was assigned to the dual responsibilities of president of the system and the college.

In other business the directors passed a resolution honoring the late Egbert W. Hooker, chief clerk of the Experiment Station and associated with A&M for 32 years. The resolution said in part:

"During all of these years, Mr. Hooker was known to his many associates as a man of great integrity, of gentle courtesy, and as a loyal, diligent and conscientious worker, and in his death there is a great loss to the Texas A&M College System and to all with whom he has been associated."

College Honored At AAC Meeting

A&M was honored Sunday night with a share in the annual direct mail campaign award at the 44th general conference of the American Alumni Council which ends today at Mackinac Island, Mich.

The A&M volunteer officers kit was cited for special recognition.

J. B. Herve, executive secretary of the Assn. of Former Students and E. E. McQuillen, executive director of the Development Fund, are attending the conference.

The American Alumni Council, headquarters in Washington, D.C., is an international association founded in 1913. It specializes in the field of alumni relations and educational fund raising, aiming "to mobilize behind education the full strength of organized alumni support in all its spiritual, moral and practical manifestations."

Dance Tomorrow

A Junior High School Dance will be held at Consolidated School tomorrow night from 7:30 to 10:30, sponsored by the College Station Recreation Council. Music will be furnished by records.

Dr. Rupel Serving At Dairy Congress

Dr. I. W. Rupel, head of the Department of Dairy Science, is serving as a delegate and adviser to the United States delegation to the International Dairy Congress, London, England.

The international congresses on dairy science are held about every three years, and are designed to promote exchange of late information on all phases of dairying.

Following the London congress, Dr. Rupel and his wife will spend about 10 days visiting in Guernsey and Jersey and in the Normandy section of France. They will tour the areas from which many of the major American milk cow breeds originally came.