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Yule Tree Sale

Tommy and DeDe Wolters, noting the spread of Christmas and the nearing day, examine Yule trees on sale at East Gate by the College Station Lions' Club. Proceeds from the sale will be used in the various club service projects.

Dewey Speaks To Kiwanians

Brownrigg Dewey, state representative from Brazos County, was guest speaker at the regular Tuesday meeting of the College Station Kiwanis Club.

Roy Wingren, club president, presided at the meeting. Wingren turned the program over to Lloyd Keel, assistant professor in the Department of English, who introduced Representative Dewey.

Dewey spoke to the group on the accomplishments of the 56th legislative session, which lasted from Jan. 13-Aug. 6. He explained the extraordinary length of the session was caused by the appropriations bill and tax bill fights.

According to Dewey, Governor Price Daniel signed 592 bills passed during the session.

He pointed out \$2 1/2 billion was appropriated to the state government, and the increase in appropriations had to be offset by taxes, such as the cigarette tax and the natural gas tax.

Almost \$500 million was appropriated for use in public schools, Dewey said. Higher education took

a step forward this year, he added, because of the formula established by the Commission on Higher Education.

The legislature created three new colleges, said Dewey, and he added the University of Houston is attempting to attain college status.

President Wingren announced two holiday meetings of the club would be held, one at the Sabre Motel Tuesday and the other in the Fountain Room of the Memorial Student Center the following week.

Wingren also announced that a board meeting would be held on Thursday night in the Mechanical Engineering Shop.

Who's Who Sketch Listed on Page 3-4

Beginning on Page 3 of today's issue of The Battalion is a resume of the activities of each of the 36 A&M students selected for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Freshman Class Completes Officer Slate in Run-Off

Gibbs, Threadgill Annex Top Posts

Four top offices in the freshman class were filled Tuesday as Jack Gibbs, Jack Threadgill, Dennis McIntosh and Earl Henderson captured positions in run-off elections in the Memorial Student Center.

Gibbs, science major from Lampasas, was elected president; Threadgill, industrial engineering major from Brady, took the vice president slot; McIntosh, pre-veterinary major from Alief, took the secretary-treasurer position; and Henderson, aeronautical engineering major from Houston, annexed the social secretary post.

Tabulations were released late yesterday evening by Floyd Kaase, chairman of the Election Commission.

An unofficial 525 frosh cast ballots, according to a total public counter. However, the actual count of freshmen voting is only approximate since those casting ballots need not vote for every position.

The vote was down somewhat from the previous election when 955 frosh narrowed the more than 100-man field to 8 run-off candidates.

Opponents in the run-offs were Robert Gay, electrical engineering major from Dallas for president; Charles Blaschke, liberal arts major from Skidmore, for vice president; William Barnhart, electrical engineering major from Temple, for secretary-treasurer; and Paul Bergstrom, electrical engineering major from Dallas, for social secretary.

All class officers required a 1.0 grade point ratio.

In the Dec. 3 elections, the Class of '63 placed James Carter, George Johnston, James Taylor and David Chapman on the Student Senate over 25 hopefuls.

Jerry King, James Johnson, Billy Ward, Delfino Villereal and Ben Boyd also gained places on the Election Commission.

The Student Senate recording secretary slot was still another post filled at the crowded Dec. 3 election with Norris Gilbreath taking the spot in an all-class vote.

Classified junior in the School of Agriculture selected Leo Riggs for the junior agriculture representative to the Student Senate, rounding out the elections.

Nixon Quiet As President On World Tour

WASHINGTON, — (AP) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon is testing out the theory that political silence may be golden.

While President Eisenhower is away on his good will tour, Nixon has put a self-imposed silence on all statements about controversial political matters.

In recent days the vice president has declined comment on New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller's invitation for Nixon to get busy and settle the steel dispute.

Nixon has refused to say whether he supports the proposal of Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, one of his close Cabinet friends, that management and the steelworkers submit their disagreement to a third party for settlement.

As a potential candidate for the 1960 Republican presidential nomination, Nixon apparently is content to let Rockefeller take the center of the political stage temporarily.

Nixon is holding to a schedule calling for a public declaration of his candidacy early in February.

Nixon's associates are convinced Rockefeller already is running. They are reported to have found nothing as yet they regard as threatening to Nixon's prospects.

Full Docket Heads Fine Arts Festival

The A&M Fine Arts Festival will be held Feb. 8-Feb. 19 with a full slate of programs and exhibits filling up the two week schedule.

The Festival, which is being held for the second year, will use the call letters AMFAF. The Festival chairman is Gordon Reynolds.

The Town Hall Committee of the Memorial Student Center will present "Vienna on Parade" in G. Rolie White Coliseum on the night of Feb. 11, under the leadership of Bill Phillips, committee chairman.

The Recital Series Committee, headed by Don Reynolds, will present two concerts in connection with the Festival. The first, Feb. 9, will be the Grishman-Ryse Duo, a duo consisting of a singer and a violinist. The second, Feb. 12, will feature David Bar-Illan, a pianist.

During the second week of the festival, the Aggie Players will present several performances. The feature performance will be Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." The student president of the Aggie Players is Reynolds.

The MSC Creative Arts Committee will sponsor an art exhibit and a speaker, Dr. Peter W. Guenther, who will speak on the exhibit. Nick Setanni is chairman of the Creative Arts Committee.

The Singing Cadets, under the leadership of Student President David Bunting, will also present a concert, but a definite date for this concert has not been decided upon.

The last main attraction of the Festival will be a presentation by the MSC Film Society.

Reynolds concluded by adding there may be several more attractions for the festival before it actually begins.



Pickets at Texas Education Agency Building

This group from Del Rio picketed the Texas Education Agency Building in Austin John Dissler and behind the huge sign are protesting that the agency had discriminating against a south Texas school district. The pickets, left to right, are: Robert Galan, John Dissler and behind the huge sign are protesting that the agency had discriminating against a south Texas school district. The group claimed TEA was "unfair" and "against Latin American children". (AP Wirephoto)

Allies Watch with Anticipation

U.S., France Hold Steadfast To Views in NATO Fight

PARIS, (AP) — The United States and France showed no sign today of giving ground in their deep division over the military structure of the Western alliance.

As this quarrel within the North Atlantic alliance moved toward a showdown, the rest of the NATO allies watched uneasily from the sidelines.

With the NATO ministerial council planning a full day of debate on defense matters, the French-American disagreement seemed bound to be thrown into a bold light clearly visible to Moscow.

Secretary of State Christian A. Herter, at the opening council session Tuesday, insisted once more on integration of NATO military forces under a unified command to counter the growing striking power of improved Soviet arms.

With equal firmness, France has been holding out for a system to preserve what President Charles

de Gaulle refers to as the "national entity" of the participating forces, that is each nation retaining full control of its forces.

French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville appeared to be conducting a diplomatic delaying action until President Eisenhower arrives Friday and can meet with de Gaulle. The French hope the two old wartime associates can iron out the dispute.

As his allies understand it, de Gaulle wants American forces to remain in Western Europe. But he also wants France to have a bigger role in NATO and a stronger voice in world affairs. And he is looking toward a future, perhaps a distant one, when Western Europe will be able to negotiate with the Soviet Union on equal terms and will no longer need to take shelter under American armed might.

There may be some effort to find a face-saving partial solution to the dispute.

One suggestion is a step-by-step arrangement to unify Western defense, at least in the air. In return, the alliance for the time being would officially overlook de Gaulle's refusal to accept stocks of U. S. nuclear weapons in France provided as has sole control of them. The United States insists

on joint control, a system accepted by Britain and Italy.

Such an arrangement would present a facade of unity to the Russians. But America's top military men, and probably those of other NATO nations, will probably tell their political chiefs privately that it would not do nearly enough to increase the military effectiveness of the alliance.

Informed diplomats reported meanwhile that West Germany has won approval from her allies to build warships up to 5,000 tons and submarines up to 1,000 tons. These sources said the tonnage ceiling on West Germany's growing navy was raised at a secret session last summer of the Western European Union, a seven-nation group set up in 1953 to "contain" a rearmaged Germany.

The sources said, however, that Britain vetoed a West German bid to make acoustic mines because they were regarded as offensive weapons, which the Germans are not supposed to manufacture.

West Germany's present tonnage limits are 3,000 for surface warships and 350 for submarines. The bigger ships are needed to mount naval rockets and to fill the larger role assigned to Germans in the defense of the Baltic.

Dorms To Close Friday at 6

In order to conserve utilities and protect student property, all dormitories except Ramps A and C of Hart Hall and Ramps B, C, E, F, G, H and J of Walton Hall will be closed and locked at 6 p.m. Friday.

Air Force Reserve Information Ready

All Prior Military service personnel in the Bryan-College Station area interested in a future in the Air Force Reserve may call TA 2-1963 for information on membership in the local Air Force Reserve unit located at 3600 S. College or go by the 9807th Air Reserve Squadron Headquarters and discuss with T.Sgt. John P. Chumbley the Air Force Reserve.

Lt. Col. William O. Davis, commander of the 9807th said, "The Air Force Reserve offers many advantages to the reservists. Some of these advantages are pay, train-

day.

Any student who will have difficulty clearing his dormitory by the time indicated for it to be locked, because of transportation or other problems, should contact his Tactical Officer or Dormitory Counselor for arrangements, Housing Office officials said yesterday.

Students other than those living in Ramps B, C, E, F, G, H and J of Walton Hall and Ramps at any time during the Christmas holidays should contact students in the above mentioned ramps who will not remain during the holidays, concerning the use of their rooms.

In order to secure a room a student must bring a note of permission from the occupant of the room he expects to occupy in one of the ramps to be left open, to the Housing Office in the YMCA, where each student will sign a roster showing his location for the holidays. In this way a student can

be reached in case of an emergency. This must be done by 5 p.m. Friday.

Any student finding it necessary to gain entrance to a dormitory which is closed for the holidays must check at the Housing Office for clearance.

All students are urged to close the windows and lock the doors to

their rooms. First floor windows particularly should be locked for security purposes.

The dormitories will be opened again at noon, Saturday, Jan. 2, 1960.

The College Dining Halls will close after supper Saturday and will remain closed until the evening meal, Sunday, Jan. 3, 1960.

Revised Holiday Schedule Of Hours for MSC Given

A revised schedule of Memorial Student Center hours has been released for the Christmas holidays.

The MSC will close at 5 p.m., Dec. 21 and remain closed until Monday morning, Dec. 28. The only exception will be the Western Union Office, which will remain open all week with the exception of Christmas Day and

Saturday afternoon, Dec. 26.

The main desk and all offices will be open after Dec. 28 to accommodate a square dance school which will hold sessions in the MSC Dec. 21-Jan. 1. The main desk will even remain open on New Year's Day, however all offices will be closed. The fountain room will be open from 8 a.m.-11 a.m. on New Year's Day.



Proposed Cullen Center

The family of the late Hugh Roy Cullen, oilman-philanthropist, announced in Houston plans to build this \$100,000,000 Cullen Center in downtown Houston. Included would be (1) a 500-room hotel, (2), (3), and (4) office buildings of 25, 40-45, and 25 stories, and (5) parking garage. Behind (4) is a sketch of the 44-story building being planned by Humble Oil & Refining Co., and behind the Humble building the steelwork can be seen for the First City National Bank Building. (AP Wirephoto)