

Students Form 'Gung Ho' Club

By BOB MITCHELL

"Gung Ho" is an expression which to most people means an over enthusiastic show of emotion. In its original definition, however, "gung ho" means something entirely different.

Actually, the expression comes from the Chinese language and means "working together."

The "Gung Ho" Club, a new organization on the campus, will take this meaning as the basis for its foundation. The Club is the first step in a plan which was conceived about a year ago by some of the students in the college.

Last year a group of students, mostly members of the Sons of Service Club decided that the current program of the ROTC is not rigorous enough to produce the type of fighting man that is needed in our military forces today.

An example of this need was the Korean War. Because of the lack of knowledge of just what the fighting was all about and a lack of confidence in themselves, many of the American soldiers taken prisoner collaborated with the enemy.

Voluntary Membership

The "Gung Ho" Club, which is headed by James C. Smith, the president of the Sons of Service, plans to take cadets on a voluntary basis and train them in these ideas and fundamentals.

"We feel that a soldier must be trained in this period of specialized weapons and mass destruc-

tion to have the ability to operate and maintain modern equipment. But the much touted push-button warfare has limitations and a man must be prepared to defend his own life in any eventuality. A fighter is only as good as his training," said Smith.

"We are interested in producing men who are able to fight high specialized personal warfare on their own terms, not the enemy."

"The advent of thermo-nuclear weapons does not preclude the basic necessity for a thorough grounding in the principles of hand-to-hand combat and complete confidence in their application."

As the program is now set up all the training will be carried on during the cadets' own time and on a completely voluntary basis. Anyone may take the training and once a person starts he is not obligated to stay in the group.

At first the organization will work one hour each day on three days a week; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. Later in the program they hope to be able to have time on weekends to work and make hikes and overnight trips.

Training Schedule

Included in the schedule of training for the group are: hand-to-hand combat technique, bayonet drill, survival, first aid, guerrilla warfare, night fighting, techniques of close combat, knife fighting and self defense.

Since there now is a lack of equipment which is needed for the training, much of the work will be carried on with the use of makeshift material. The unit hopes that later they will be able to acquire some of the needed equipment.

The "Gung Ho" Club hopes eventually it will be able to form into a special outfit which will be a part of the Corps. The unit would take both Air Force and Army cadets and train them on the same basis as the members are to be trained now in order to have a combat-ready unit which will be much more able to defend our country in the event of any future war.



Banker School Participants

Left to right are Charles N. Shepardson, member of the board of governors, Federal Reserve System, Washington, D. C.; Earl Coke, vice president of the Bank of America in California, and Sam Rowe, vice president of Alvin State Bank at Alvin, who were participants in the 10th annual Texas Farm and Ranch Credit School for Commercial Bankers. Shepardson, who founded the bankers school when he was Dean of Agriculture, was presented a plaque of appreciation by Rowe in behalf of the bankers. Coke, former assistant secretary of agriculture, was the main banquet speaker.

\$7.25 MILLION

Liz Taylor, Fisher File Suits Against Magazines

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK—Film star Elizabeth Taylor and her husband, singer Eddie Fisher, filed a \$7.25 million libel action Wednesday against eight film magazines, charging they were damaged through "lurid" front cover headlines.

The action, filed in State Supreme Court, accused the magazines of acting maliciously and irresponsibly for the "crass commercial purpose" of stimulating circulation.

The stories themselves "in no way substantiated those headlines and often belied them," the suits charged.

Defendants named were Official Magazines Corp., publisher of Screen Stars; Interstate Publishing Corp., publishers of Movie World; Fawcett Publications, publisher of Motion Picture; Dell Publishing Co., publisher of Modern Screen; Countrywide Publications, publisher of Movie TV Secrets; Sterling Group, Inc., publishers of Movie Mirror, and Ideal

Publishing Corp., publisher of Movie Stars-TV Closeups and Movie Life.

Some of the headlines were cited in the complaint.

They included: "Eddie named father of Liz' child, Liza Todd,"—Modern Screen, Oct., 1960. "Will Liz' children be taken away from her?"—Screen Stars, Oct., 1960.

"Is Liz breaking her marriage vows?"—Movie World, Nov. 1960.

"Liz-Eddie-Debbie: Are they

planning to live together?"—Movie Mirror, Nov. 1960.

"We dare to print the facts. Trouble between Liz and Eddie"—Motion Picture, Feb. 1960.

"Stephen Boyd has split up Eddie and Liz!"—Movie TV Secrets, Dec. 1960.

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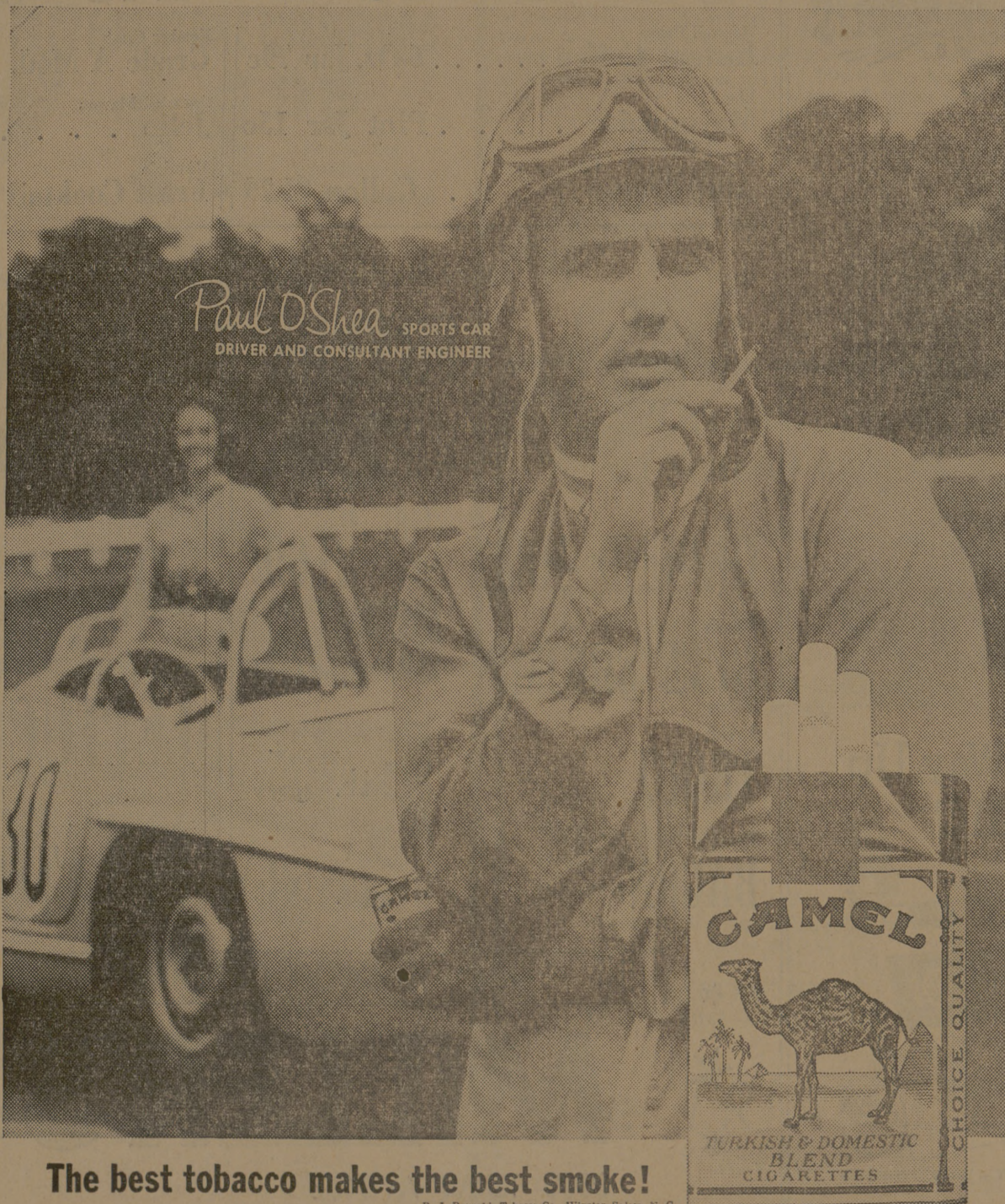
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amplify problems in the fiscal and monetary fields.

"It also may temporarily, but only temporarily, conceal difficulties in agriculture, in the resource industries and in several manufacturing industries which must be

solved if we really to prosper during the 1960's," Johnson said.

Another feature of the conference was the awarding of the Bankers School Scholarship to Bob Davis of Houston, an outstanding senior in agricultural economics.

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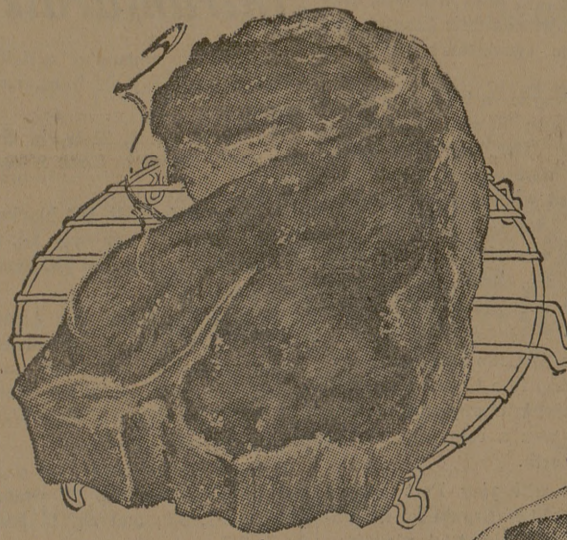
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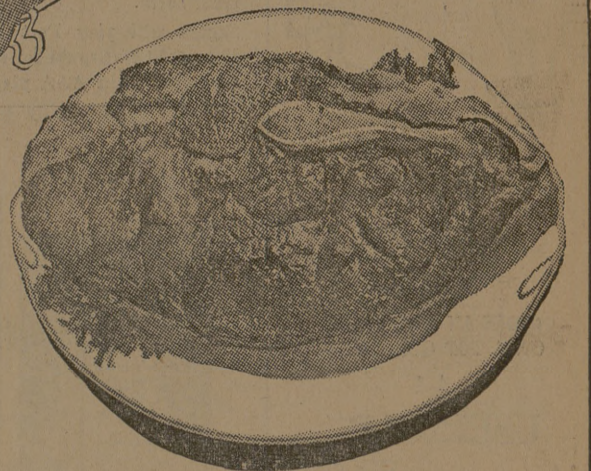
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ference, drawing 106 student delegates from 48 colleges and universities in 16 states, and two localities in Canada and Mexico.

From that early beginning, SCONA has grown into a mammoth operation, requiring months of careful planning and hard work. This year, delegates from 70 colleges and universities in the United States, 10 in Mexico, and two Canadian universities have been invited to attend SCONA VI.

Partial transportation, all meals, and housing costs are paid by SCONA for each conferee. For this reason, the budget for SCONA has steadily grown from the \$12,000 used to underwrite expenses for SCONA I, to a top budget for SCONA VI of \$16,500.

SCUSA to SCONA

The SCONA idea was born in 1954 when Don Friend, vice-president of the Memorial Student Council flew to West Point to represent A&M at SCUSA—The United States Military Academy's Student Conference on United States Affairs.

Friend returned with a glowing report of the meeting and a proposal that A&M promote a similar conference for students of the South and Southwest.

The MSC Council approved the idea and the college administration added its blessing.

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