

# Air Defense Course Revealed

Special to The Battalion  
 A two-hour instruction course in the Army Air Defense system, including a review of the Army's latest missiles, will be presented during January and February in 14 Texas cities and three New Mexico cities to Army Reservists as well as other military and civilian personnel interested in attending, according to Col. Merle L. Fisher, VIII U.S. Army Corps commander.  
 The instruction will be given by two members of the Army Air Defense Command, Fort Bliss, Maj. Leonard T. Hawke, Chief, Air Defense Tactics Division, and Capt. Joseph W. Heflin, Battery D, First Guided Missile Battalion.  
 They will be in College Station Feb. 1.  
 Among the subjects presented during the first hour of the course

will be an outline of the Soviet threat with emphasis on Soviet air attack capability, and a review of the Army Air Defense as a part of our country's protection against this threat.  
 Explanations will be given of the North American Air Defense Command and the U.S. Army Air Defense Command, the radar systems presently in effect. Also the Army Nike system presently located around many American cities will be discussed.

The first section of instruction will close with plans for the future, the Ballistic Missile Early Warning System and the anti-missile missile, the Nike-Zeus, expected to be able to knock down ballistic missiles of any type and capability in existence now or expected to become operational in the foreseeable future.

The second hour of instruction will cover the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and a description of such Army weapons as the HAWK, and the new Mauler and Redeye, still in the development stage.



Chairman Maynard Hill  
 ... Presides over Wednesday session

## FIRST ANNUAL

# Range, Forestry Conference Ends

By ROB MITCHELL  
 Students of the Range and Forestry Club, in order to present some of the need to exchange information with people in other occupations, have held the First Annual Range Conference in the MSC.

Basically, the function of the conference, which ended today, was to give those people in attendance some idea of the training in academic, scientific, technical and practical knowledge which the students at A&M acquire. Also they hoped to stimulate the exchange of information among the bankers, ranchers, government service representatives and other people in attendance who would be affected by the practices of good range and forestry management.

This first conference was attended by approximately 100 persons. In the coming years the Range and Forestry Club hopes to be able to expand and have larger and better conferences whereby they can discuss wider and more varied practices in the field of range management.

The high light of the program was a reception held in the Memorial Student Center where students in the Department of Range and Forestry met with prospective employers and discussed the job opportunities open in the field of range management. They also discussed the future of range management and its possibilities as a profession.

Tuesday afternoon Arnold Herwagen, Washington Field Specialist-Denver, Colorado, gave the keynote address on "Range Management—a science vital to ranching and related industries."

Other speakers in the conference were: Dr. G. M. Watkins, director of agricultural instruction, who gave the welcoming address to the conference; Dr. C. L. Leinweber, Head of the Department of Range Management who spoke on the department and its functions; speaking on "Increased profits through grass and livestock management" was Clyde H. Wells, a Hood county rancher.

Representing the Texas Agricultural Experimental Station at Sonora was Dr. L. B. Merrill who spoke on "Recent developments for increasing livestock returns on rangeland." W. R. Horsley, Director of the Placement Office, gave a talk on problems in employment in the field of range management.

Presiding over the meeting Tuesday was Gerald Wakefield, the president of the Range and Forestry Club, and on Wednesday Maynard Hill, chairman of the Range Conference Committee, presided.

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BELGRADE (AP)—Yugoslavia's Communist party paper Borba reported Tuesday, Jan. 10, a letter smuggled out of prison from the Congo's Patrice Lumumba complained of inhuman treatment.

Borba said the letter was sent to Rajeshwar Dayal, U. N. representative in the Congo. Lumumba complained he was poorly fed, not permitted to leave the cell, denied visits by or information about his wife and in 35 days had not been given any clean cloth. Borba's correspondent in Leopoldville did not explain how he got the letter.

# Writer Reveals Experiences Of A First Parachute Jump

By BOBBIE BROUSSARD  
 From the Associated Press

ORANGE—My friends were a big help. Like a sore thumb. There I was finally to the point where I said, yes, I'd jump out of that airplane.

Then my friends began eroding my resolve.

Why take a chance? Are the odds really in your favor?

Some day a parachute may not open, and it may be yours.

The editor didn't assign you to jump. He said just write a story about the Golden Triangle Parachute Club.

I'm afraid of snakes, rats and crawly things. But I'm not afraid of height.

So my courage held. But for how long? If I had time to worry, would I turn yellow.

I had the time, all right. My feet didn't fit any jumpers' boots. That caused a delay.

Then the day I was to jump the winds grounded me.

The next attempt found rains falling so hard jumping was postponed.

Finally the perfect day for jumping came.

Jean Saxon, also of the Orange Leader, wanted to go along. I told her okay, but I probably wouldn't leap.

Nevertheless I went home and changed clothes.

The pilot was Clarence Feuge, operator of the Sky Harbor Flying Service. Skippy Minion of Beaumont, club secretary, loaned me his overalls and helmet. I had Richard's mother's boots.

A new fear overwhelmed me. Would people make fun of me if I turned chicken while in the air?

Call said, "Once you get out there, you'll discover it's easier to jump than to climb back in the plane."

Up we went, and before I'd really decided whether I was a hero

or a coward, Call ordered, "Get ready."

The altimeter read 2,800 feet. The plane slowed to 60 miles per hour.

I crouched with one foot on the step and the other on a landing gear wheel. The jumpmaster touched my shoulder.

I shoved back with arms outstretched. Almost before I realized I was off the plane, my chute opened. The jumpmaster had pulled the ripcord, not waiting for the tug of the static line.

A flood of relief, mixed with indescribable happiness washed over me. I was drifting downward

at 17 feet a second but felt no sensation of movement.

It was as though I was suspended in space. The silence was uncanny. I felt lightheaded and exhilarated.

I glanced down and saw Richard, Jean and Skippy running in my direction.

Skippy and Richard were shouting advice and even from hundreds of feet up I could hear them clearly. When I was about 200 feet from the ground, they shouted for me to prepare to land and to look straight ahead.

Then I felt a gentle impact. That's all there was to it.



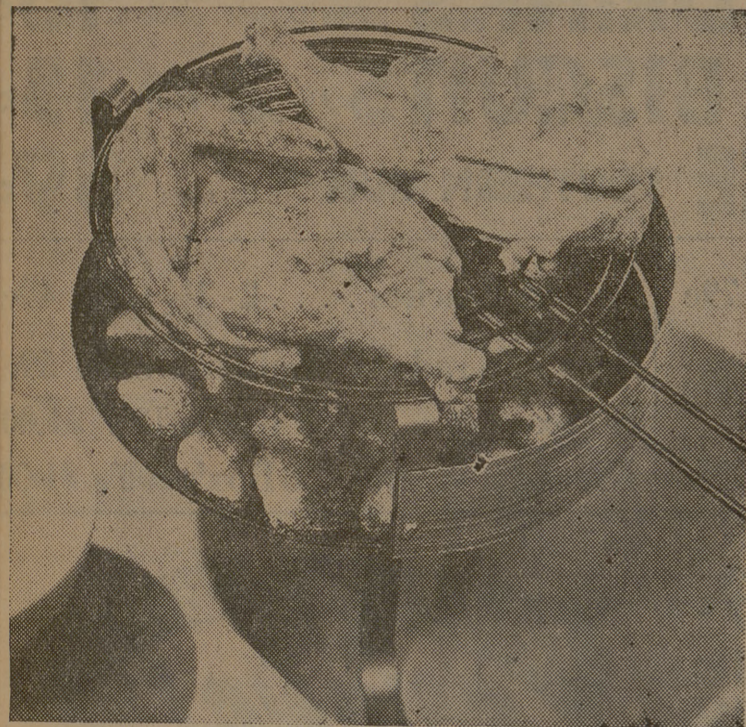
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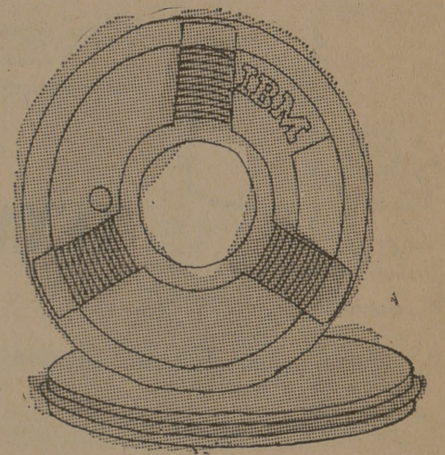
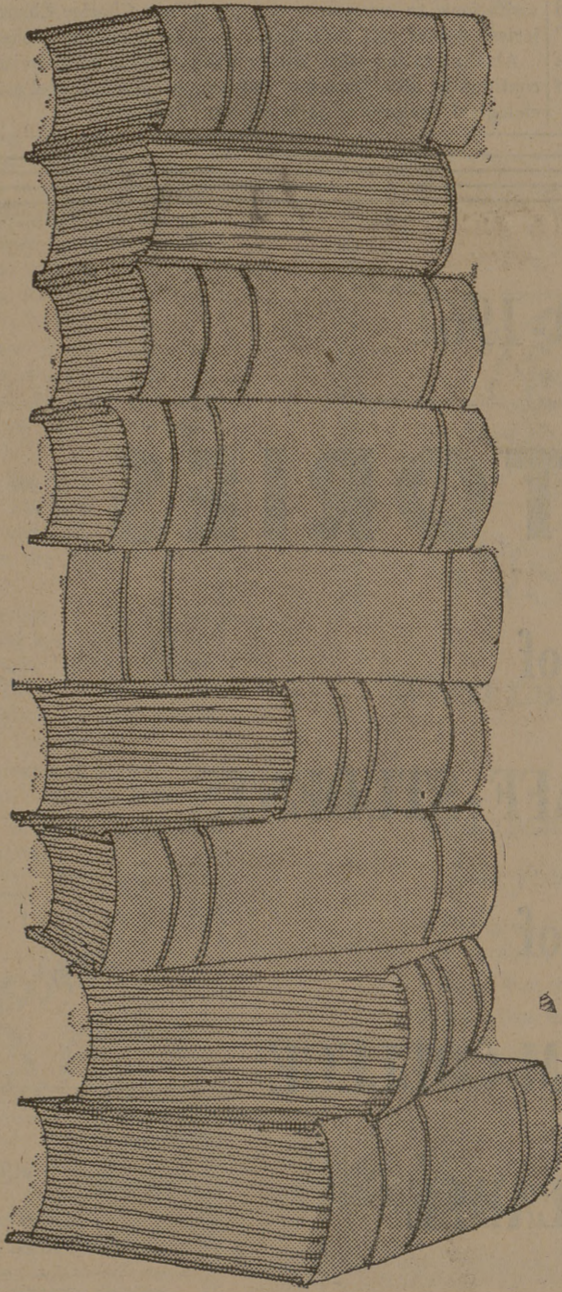
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