

Band Sweetheart



**Official Congratulations**  
White Band Commander Aubrey C. Elkins gives the new-named band sweetheart, Loretta Young of Mansfield, La., her crowning kiss after she was named sweetheart at Saturday night's Band Ball. Miss Young won the title over four other finalists.

FOR JOHNSON'S POST

Senate Candidates Vie In Earnest

By The Associated Press  
Sen. William Blakley, serving under appointment from Gov. Price Daniel, and 35 other aspirants to the U. S. Senate seat vacated by Vice President Lyndon Johnson, squared off in earnest Monday.

One new candidate entered the race to make a total of 36 running for the seat. He was Thomas E. Barton, Sherman teacher, who called himself a "Southern Conservative Democrat."

The 43-year-old Barton said he was a native of the Lake Texoma area.

Former State Rep. Maury Maverick said in San Antonio he favors President Kennedy's plan to provide medical care for the aged through the Social Security program.

Maverick, who has drawn the

Biehunko, '56, Dies In Crash

Air Force First Lt. Ernest F. Biehunko, Class of '56, and an honor graduate, was killed last week in the crash of his F-106 Delta Dart Jet plane in California. Biehunko, known as "Buddy" on the A&M campus, was a Cadet Lt. Col., holding the position of Corps Operations Officer, he was also commander of the Ross Volunteers and a member of SAME. Biehunko was a native of Moulton, Tex., where he was an honor graduate of the Moulton High School. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Biehunko.

He was assigned to the 329th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron at George Air Force Base near Victorville, Calif. He had been in the Air Force more than two years, but was only recently assigned to the F-106 squadron.

Before that he flew F-86 Sabres and F-102 Delta Daggers. Survivors other than his parents are his wife, Dorothy; a one-year-old daughter, Becky and a brother, Maj. L. T. Biehunko of Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.

Funeral arrangements in Moulton are pending the arrival of the body from California.



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THE BATTALION

Footnote Questions Man's Destiny

Speaker Discusses 'What About Man'

By TOMMY HOLBEIN

"What About Man" was the topic discussed by Dr. Gaston Foote in his second address as Religious Emphasis Week Convocation Speaker in Guion Hall this morning from 10 to 11.

In his talk, Dr. Foote said Man may perish because he has lost the vision of his own greatness and has become an animal of self-destruction.

"There are various basic concepts of Man, such as the behaviorist idea that all actions of Man are results of glandular reactions, and he is a psychological Frankenstein. Biochemists say Man is a chemical compound, and biologists might assume that man is only an educated animal, kin to all other animals," said Dr. Foote.

"But the most miraculous of all things is man, himself. Man's body is so wonderful that he, himself cannot begin to understand many of its abilities. For example, Man invented the telephone, yet within his own ear, there is a far more efficient telephone system.

"Man's heart is another structure far more powerful in relation to the hydraulic pumps he has developed. His heart pumps over 280,000 tons of blood a year, yet is so small it must be located with a stethoscope," said Dr. Foote.

The minister continued by explaining the Christian concept of Man, that he is God's thought in action; an expression of the Mind of the Universe.

"Man is the only animal who can say 'I Am', for the plants in the universe cannot say it; he can say 'I Believe' and his efforts are in accord with his beliefs. He is also the only animal who can say 'I Ought', and has a moral conscience. The tapestry of God's design has been woven into his spirit.

There are four levels of existence, the inanimate, animate, human, and divine; Man is suspended between the human and divine, and can say, 'I Will.'

"Within limitations, man is the master of his fate," concluded Dr. Foote.

Yesterday's opening talk by the convocation speaker concerned the three elements of Man, mind, body and soul.

"When a person leaves out one of these basic ingredients, he is not a whole man," said Dr. Foote.

"Many people in the 20th Century have left out the spiritual part of self, and no life is complete without the spirit. But there was a time when scientist were noted for their agnostic or atheistic beliefs. This is no longer true, and major leading scientists today are expressing their faith in a 'mind behind the universe.'

Babcock Essay Contest Offers \$250 Prize

It's that time of year again. Yes, the title for the Babcock Essay Contest has now been announced and the \$250 prize is waiting for some Aggie to carry it off.

The contest is sponsored by a Beaumont insurance man C. L. Babcock, Class of '20, to find an outstanding composition on some facet of life at Aggieland.

The subject for this year is "Educational Assets I Find Here at Texas A&M."

The essays will first be screened by the staff of The Battalion and the best ones will be sent on to a judging committee selected by President Rudder.

In addition to the first prize of \$250, ten Honor Certificates will be given to the runner-ups. Previous winners of the contest have had their essays printed in publications throughout the state and in the Congressional Record of the State of Texas. The winners and runner-ups will be announced at the annual Student Publications Banquet May 4.

To enter the contest, one must follow these rules: manuscripts must be turned in by Apr. 14, and should be typed in regular form with double spacing. One should make two carbon copies of the manuscript and turn them in to The Battalion Office on the ground floor of the YMCA Building. Manuscripts can be no shorter than 250 words and no more than 1,000 words in length.

The essays will be judged on the basis of the four principles of good journalism: "Is It the Truth?", "Is It Fair?", "Will It Build Good Will?" and "Will It Be Beneficial?"



Dr. Gaston Foote, convocation speaker ... kicks off RE Week activities

Death Claims Dr. Walton, Ex-President

Funeral services were conducted Sunday for Dr. Thomas Otto Walton, 77, a former A&M president who died Saturday morning in Bryan's St. Joseph Hospital.

Walton served A&M as the president who has held the longest reign—17 years. He was one of the best-known figures in the history of A&M and an internationally known agricultural leader.

Walton was born an East Texas farm boy in Gary, Mar. 8, 1884. He worked his way up from country school teacher to county agricultural agent to head of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service to president of A&M.

A graduate of Carthage, Tex., high school, he attended State Teachers College (now North Texas State College) in 1899. He was awarded the honorary L.L.D. degree by Baylor University in 1925 and studied in the Scandinavian countries in 1937.

Progress Noted

During Walton's 17 years as A&M president, enrollment grew from 2,084 to 6,500 and the value of the college fiscal plant rose from \$4,750,000 to \$15,000,000.

Upon retirement from the college in 1943, Walton served a year as vice chairman of the War Labor Board, then became postmaster of College Station. He held the latter position until retirement in 1953. Since retirement he has devoted his time to ranching interests and his hobbies of hunting and fishing.

Survivors are his wife, Ethel Turner Walton, 104 Lee St., College Station; two sons, Dr. T. T. Walton of Bryan and Dr. T. O. Walton, Jr., of College Station; two daughters, Mrs. Herschel Burgess of College Station and Mrs. Frank Bortle of Ames, Iowa.

There are eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Also surviving are a sister, Mrs. Clyde Thomas of Snyder and a brother, J. H. Walton of Beaumont.

The services were held Sunday at the Hillier Chapel.

World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

Nationalist Plane Shot Down

TOKYO—Peiping radio reported Tuesday that pro-Communist forces in Laos shot down a Chinese Nationalist plane over Laos Sunday morning. It said all six aboard were killed. The broadcast, quoting the clandestine Pathet Lao radio, said "a U. S.-made military plane of the Chiang Kai-shek clique" was shot down at Ban Ou, northeast of Tha Boun.

Supercarrier Readied For Sea Trials

CAMDEN, N. J.—Workmen swarmed over the decks and through the holds of the super-carrier Kitty Hawk yesterday preparing for her first sea trial. The 60,000-ton aircraft carrier is to leave its berth at the New York Shipbuilding Corp. yards Tuesday for a 59-mile trip down the Delaware River to start a four-day builders' test of her engines and operating equipment.

Baudouin Dissolves Belgian Parliament

BRUSSELS, Belgium—King Baudouin dissolved Parliament Monday because of a widening rift between Premier Gaston Eyskens' Social-Christians and their coalition partners, the Liberals.

The king decreed March 26 as the date for a general election, which may prove one of the hottest ever fought in this country and could open the door for Paul Henri Spaak to return to the helm with his Socialist party.

Scotland Based Missile Subs Protested

GLASGOW, Scotland—Two Scotsmen lay down in the hall of the U. S. consulate here yesterday and wouldn't budge. They were there, they said, to protest the basing of Polaris-armed submarines in the River Clyde.

Consul General Maxwell McCullough told them protests should be addressed to British authorities but the men wouldn't get up so the cops were called and hauled them away.

Venezuelan Revolt Squelched

CARACAS, Venezuela—A disgruntled guard colonel and a few henchmen revolted against the government Monday and were squelched without bloodshed, a communique announced. The colonel was arrested.

For a nation by rioting, insurrections and assassination attempts since moderate President Romulo Betancourt took office two years ago, the early morning uprising was a tame affair.

Flood Smashes Peruvian Village

LIMA, Peru—Dispatches from Madre de Dios in southeast Peru yesterday said a flood caused by an overflow of the Chinchanao River caused 17 deaths and injuries to about 100 persons.

The reports said heavy rains not only raised the river but loosed logs and rocks which smashed into huts near the village of Pilcopata, where most of the deaths and injuries occurred.

The Battalion Wins National Safety Contest

The Battalion has been named national winner of the annual Lumberman's Mutual Casualty Co. safety edition contest.

The contest is conducted every December for safety editions of college newspapers throughout the nation. The Battalion has previously been named first in 1953 and 1956 and has placed for 10 of the past 12 years.

A \$500 cash prize will be awarded the staff at a meeting in Chicago in the near future.

The contest also embraces five individual divisions, with the results of judging in these not yet announced.

Second place went to the University of Texas. The Daily Trojan of Southern California won first place last year.

FLYING KADETS HOST

NIFA Air Meet To Be Held Here

The National Intercollegiate Flying Association will hold its thirteenth annual air meet on campus April 27-29, it has been announced.

The keynote speaker at the event will be Lt. Gen. Benard A. Schriever, commanding general of the USAF Air Research and Development Command.

Special attraction of the meet will be an exhibition of precision flying by the Air Force Thunderbirds, world-famous for their acrobatics in Super Sabres.

Hosting the event is the A&M Flying Kadets, a 75-member group of students of the college who are interested in flying.

Composed of 94 member colleges and universities in the United States, the NIFA air meet is held annually to promote skill, safety and sport for its members who range from commercial pilots to those who are just learning to fly.

The A&M meet will mark the third time the event has been held in Texas. Texas Christian University in Fort Worth hosted the group in 1949 and 1955.

Charles Murphy of Abilene, a senior aeronautical engineering student and president of the NIFA and the Flying Kadets, said that more than 300 participants are expected to compete in the meet. Basically, competition will be in three categories including power-on and power-off spot landings, flour bomb dropping and filing and flying a cross-country course. Climaxing the conclave April 29 will be an awards banquet at which time more than 20 trophies and awards will be presented to top pilots and teams.

Weekend Accidents Leave Aggie Injured, Ex Dead

Traffic accidents claimed the life of an Aggie-ex and injured five in the Bryan area over the weekend.

Accident investigators blamed the weather in at least two of the accidents.

Victor Livingston, a freshman pre-veterinary medicine major from Cleburne, was injured Friday night when he was struck by a car.

Livingston had both his legs broken in the accident. It occurred Friday night on Texas Ave. at Twin Blvd.

Livingston and Kenneth Burkhalter, another Aggie Fish, were

trying to catch a ride into town when he was hit.

Burkhalter was not hurt.

The car was driven by Martha Grace Ball of 308 Elm in Bryan. Livingston is in satisfactory condition at St. Joseph's hospital in Bryan now.

He is a member of Company G-3.

Arthur Courtade, a 47 year old agriculture instructor at TCU died of injuries sustained in a collision outside of Calvert Friday afternoon.

Courtade, who graduated from A&M in 1938, was returning from

a field trip, when an oncoming car skidded out of control on the rain slicked highway.

The students with Courtade were Izadore Gonzales, 21, of Miami, Fla.; Patricia Ann Hurley, 20, of Gainesville, and James Robbins, 18, of Breckenridge.

They were taken to a Hearne hospital.

The occupants of the other car were not injured seriously.

A third traffic mishap broke both legs of the driver, Ray Armstrong of Bryan.

Armstrong was alone when he lost control of the vehicle.