

# Soph Sweetheart



Pamela Burke, Soph Sweetheart  
Vivacious Pamela Burke, a short brunette, was named sophomore sweetheart Saturday night at the annual Sophomore Ball in Sbis Hall. Mrs. Burke, who lives in College Station, won the title over four other finalists.

# JFK Creates Committee

WASHINGTON—President Kennedy Monday night created a 12-member committee to prevent any hiring-firing discrimination in the government and in companies having federal contracts.

Taking his first action in the civil rights field, Kennedy set up the committee by executive order, without resort to legislation.

The order provides stiff penalties for violations, including cancellation of government contracts under certain circumstances.

Kennedy consolidated two existing government committees into a single President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. He named Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson as chairman and Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg as vice chairman.

"Through this vastly strengthened machinery," Kennedy said in a statement, "I intend to insure that Americans of all colors and beliefs will have equal access to employment within the government, and with those who do business with the government."

Kennedy also announced that he has directed all federal agencies to take immediate action to broaden government employment opportunities for members of minority groups.

The President said he has "dedicated my administration to the cause of equal opportunity in employment by the government or its contractors."

He added that Johnson, Goldberg and the 10 other members of the all-government committee share this dedication.

"I have no doubt that the vigorous enforcement of this order will mean the end of such discrimination," Kennedy said.

Administration officials said they regard the Kennedy order as considerably stronger than the one under which former President Dwight D. Eisenhower created nondiscrimination committees in these fields.

Johnson, who has been sharply

criticized by some Southerners for going along with Kennedy administration civil rights policies, issued a statement saying he agreed to serve on the committee because he "believes deeply that in our country all persons should stand equally before the law and should enjoy their full constitutional rights regardless of race, creed, color or section of origin."

The order calls for a thorough study of government employment practices. The President said he wants an examination of the status of members of minority groups in every department, agency and office of the federal government.

Kennedy's executive order, which is effective in 30 days, may be a forerunner of administration action in other civil rights areas.

The President told his news conference last Wednesday that he was deliberating whether to issue an executive order which would withhold federal funds from schools that discriminate against pupils on the grounds of race, religion or national origin.

# Two Films To Be Shown

The Department of Modern Languages will show two films on Germany tomorrow to the public or anyone interested.

They will be shown in the Biological Sciences Lecture Room at 4 and 7:30 p.m.

There will be no admission charge.

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# 'Image' Big Agricultural Aspect

## Smith Addresses Ag Convocation

By TOMMY HOLBEIN

"If we are ever to do a better job of gearing up for the future and deciding on good policies for agriculture, we must first decide on an image for the future," said Dr. Mervin G. Smith in addressing the annual Agriculture Convocation last night.

The annual event was held in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, with students and professors from all branches of the School of Agriculture in attendance.

Dr. Smith, who is chairman of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Ohio State University, continued his talk by presenting these points:

1. "Besides the image, we need better appraisal of farm policies in line with the long time ideal image for agriculture."

2. Most of the new administration's farm policies are short range instead of long, and farmers tend to expect more from the USDA than is possible.

3. The most important and crucial problems in agriculture today deal with the adjustments to rapid changes in technology.

4. Over the next few decades, the level of education of farmers needs to be improved greatly, that they might become masters of their own destinies.

5. Farmer's incomes can be improved and can even exceed non-farm incomes through technology and management.

6. The land grant colleges and agriculture leaders have a most significant role to play in the international development of natural and human resources—perhaps so significant that it can change the course of world events.

7. There is need for great work to be done in all fields of agriculture in the future.

8. There is a great task and future for young people to take leadership in developing the field of agriculture in the United States and world.

### Could Be Pioneers

"On my last point, I believe that students of agriculture right now could be pioneers through education and research in developing human and natural resources in the lesser developed lands of the world.

"This may be more important than anything else in determining whether or not we have peace in the world, win the cold war, preserve our free, unregimented system, and keep our moral values," concluded Dr. Smith.

The Agricultural Convocation is an annual meeting sponsored by (See AG CONVOCATION, Page 3)

## U. S. Ships Allerted For Congo Action

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—Four U. S. Navy ships have been diverted from a goodwill tour to stand by in case United Nations forces need help in the Congo.

The State Department Monday said the task force was turned back from a voyage to Cape Town, South Africa, and was heading for Congolese waters. It is due there Friday.

The Navy said 500 Marines are aboard in addition to the ships' regular complement of about 750.

The vessels are the destroyer Gearing, the dock landing ship Hermitage, the tank landing ship Graham County, and the Navy tanker Nespelen.

The destroyer Vogelgesang, which completes the five-vessel goodwill task force, is continuing on to Cape Town. It is scheduled to rejoin the task force after picking up mail, fuel and supplies.

The Vogelgesang carries a crew of 274.

The five ships, which have been making calls at West African ports, have been used previously to support U. N. operations in the Congo.

Lincoln White, State Department press officer, recalled they were used to evacuate 738 Guinean soldiers last month when President Sekou Toure ordered them home.

They also have unloaded food and other supplies for the U. N. forces at the Congo supply port of Matadi. Congolese soldiers took control of Matadi this last week-end after bitter fighting.



Students Confer with Smith, Dr. R. C. Potts ... following Ag Convocation address.

## World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

### Rusk Says US-Red China Relations Possible

LONDON—Dean Rusk, the new U. S. secretary of state, declared Monday night there seems slight chance that relations between Washington and the Red Chinese capital of Peiping will improve in the near future.

In a recorded television interview with the British Broadcasting Corp., Rusk said: "We have seen no indication of any fresh thinking on their side that has any bearing upon anything like normal relations. They have continued a most vituperative campaign against the United States and against America."

### JFK Asks Money To Fight Crime

WASHINGTON—President Kennedy asked Congress Monday for additional \$1,158,000 to battle two phases of crime—organized syndicates of hoodlums and juvenile delinquency.

The money would go to the Justice Department. Of the total \$540,000 would be used to hire attorneys to fight the crime syndicates. The other \$618,000 would pay for a program aimed at wiping out juvenile delinquency.

### Senate Candidates Square-Off

AUSTIN—Campaigning in the big, free-for-all special U. S. Senate race warmed up Monday as candidates sparred with each other throughout the state.

The field, which multiplied rabbit-like as the Saturday filing deadline approached last week, solidified at 71 candidates.

Secretary of State Frank Lake's office hustled to get the certified roll call of would-be senators completed and mailed to county election officials. Lake said the list would be in the mail either late Monday or early Tuesday.

### Board Member Blasts Texas Education

AUSTIN—A Harris County member of the State Board of Education said Monday large counties are paying more than their share of Texas' education program.

The board set up a special committee to re-evaluate the percentages of payments by counties to the minimum foundation school program after Jack Binion, Houston, pointed out that 30 per cent was being paid by Harris, Dallas and Tarrant counties.

### Committee Approves Improvement Bill

WASHINGTON—The Senate Banking Committee Monday approved a \$394-million depressed areas bill designed to create new jobs in communities long hit by heavy unemployment.

The measure, sent to the Senate floor by voice vote, largely followed the recommendations of President Kennedy.

The committee adopted 8-7 an amendment which Sen. Paul H. Douglas, D-Ill., called a compromise of differing views as to how the program should be administered.

### Tornadoes Slash Midwest

Tornadoes—grim harbingers of spring—slashed through parts of the Midwest Monday killing at least four persons, injuring more than a dozen others and causing heavy property damage.

Heavy snow plastered wide-spread areas north of the storm belt, closing scores of schools and tying traffic in knots.

Freezing rain slicked highways in central and western Lower Michigan, making driving treacherous.

### Supreme Court Refuses Sit-In Hearing

WASHINGTON—In its first action on a Southern lunch counter sit-in case, the Supreme Court Monday refused a hearing to eight Negroes and four whites convicted in a Florida lunchroom demonstration.

They were convicted in Municipal Court in Tallahassee in connection with a sit-in demonstration at a Woolworth store Feb. 20 and March 12 last year. Each received a sentence of 60 days in jail or a \$300 fine.

## 'Man In Revolt' To Be Given Tomorrow

"Man in Revolt," the second of a series of talks by outstanding speakers, will be presented in the All Faiths Chapel here tomorrow night.

The speaker will be the Rev. Edward V. Long, pastor of the St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Austin.

Rev. Long received his BA and BD degrees from Capital University. He has served pastorates in Ohio, Galveston and has been at St. Martin's since 1952. His church has honored him with a number of outstanding assignments.

He was one of the Religious Emphasis Week Leaders on the campus in 1957 and the presentation is sponsored by the YMCA, the Newman club, the Chapel committee, the Interfaith Council, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation and the Student Christian Federation.

## Visitors Tour Ag Facilities

Approximately 115 junior college students visited the A&M School of Agriculture here yesterday.

The purpose of the visit was to inspect agricultural facilities. The students will soon be transferring to senior colleges.

Schools represented were Tarleton State College, Kilgore Junior College, Ranger Junior College, Navarro Junior College and Tyler Junior College.

Dr. R. C. Potts, assistant director of agricultural instruction, said the group toured 15 departments in the School of Agriculture.

The students met for discussion periods with representatives of each department.

## Hours Changed At Library

Operating hours for the Texas Engineers Library have been extended to 8 a.m.-9 p.m. on weekdays, according to an announcement from Michael V. Krenitsky, assistant librarian.

Krenitsky said the change resulted from the increasing demand for materials and services of the library.

The Saturday hours of 8 a.m.-12 noon will remain unchanged.

## Graduate Course Offered Teachers

The graduate extension course being taught by the Agricultural Education Department is benefiting public schools throughout Texas. The department is nationally known for work in the field of guidance and counseling. It is given credit for the nationwide trend toward including guidance and counseling in the vocational agricultural programs.

According to W. F. Herndon, superintendent of schools at Lamar Industrial Consolidated Schools at Rosenberg, more than 40 teachers and administrators are enrolled in a graduate guidance and counseling course. It is taught by E. V. Walton, head of the Agricultural Education Department and Dr. J. R. Jackson, associate professor.

Dr. Earl Knebel, superintendent of schools at Cameron, reports 35 teachers from Cameron and surrounding schools are enrolled in graduate work taught by Walton.

Knebel said the leadership in guidance and counseling by the Agricultural Education Department comes at a critical time since Texas public schools must meet accreditation standards in guidance and counseling next year.

C. D. Holmes, superintendent of schools at Industrial Consolidated Schools at Vanderbilt, said the program in guidance and counseling developed there in graduate workshops taught by Walton has been so successful that the program is being used as a model by the Texas Education Agency for other public schools.

The program was originally developed for teachers of vocational agriculture, but other school personnel began to enroll and develop guidance and counseling programs along the lines suggested for teachers of vocational agriculture, Walton says.

Workshops are also being conducted at Bryson, Woodson and Columbus. The superintendent at Columbus, Marley Giddens, says the program has been effective in guiding youngsters into suitable vocations.