

# THE BATTALION



Polar Explorer Dr. Paul Siple . . . tells of experiences in Arctic, Antarctic

## EXPLORER RELATES EXPERIENCES

### Conquering 'Fear Of Ice' Big Factor In Explorations

The conquering of man's instinctive fear of the ice of the Arctic and Antarctic polar regions was the greatest step in the eventual explorations of the polar regions, Dr. Paul A. Siple said last night as Great Issues speaker.

"Although an American was one of the first to assert that there was actually a continent at the South Pole, the United States reacted toward the idea of the use of this area in the same way we did when Seward bought Alaska. 'What good is this large hunk of ice?'"

"During the year in which the studies were conducted in the South Pole regions all nations were able to work together in scientific discovery. Since that time there has been a treaty drawn up which allows the use of military forces to assist and support scientific activities, but the treaty prohibits the use of the polar regions for military purposes."

## World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

### U. N. Deferring Negotiations Collapses

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—East-West negotiations aimed at deferring cold war issues in the U. N. General Assembly collapsed Tuesday and delegates braced themselves for at least six weeks of stormy debate.

Frederick H. Boland of Ireland, assembly president, said the special Political Committee will meet Wednesday.

### Tax Shift Proposed For Highway Program

WASHINGTON—More taxes to keep the federal super highway building program on schedule were urged yesterday by a battery of Kennedy administration officials, who said operators of heavy trucks should pay a bigger share of the cost.

"The desirability of such a shift of the tax burden is clearly borne out by various state and federal studies," Secretary of the Treasurer Douglas Dillon told the House Ways and Means Committee.

### U. N. Authorizes Congo Shipments

LEOPOLDVILLE, the Congo—U. N. experts disregarded the Congolese government Tuesday and authorized the shipment of money and gasoline to the blockaded rebel provinces of Oriental and Kivu to stave off famine and economic disaster.

"The blockade is having serious effects," Umbricht told newsmen. "Trade is almost at a standstill and the big centers of population are faced with the threat of famine."

### Industrial Aid Bill Proposed In Senate

WASHINGTON—The Senate Commerce Committee staff proposed yesterday a broad new program, much like the depressed areas aid bill, to help industries and communities which are hurt by foreign imports.

Declaring foreign trade policy must serve the national interest, the staff report said this policy sometimes must involve hardship to a particular industry and the community or region in which it is located.

# Town Hall Series Presents Symphony In Coliseum

## National Orchestra Coming Tomorrow

The world-famed National Symphony Orchestra will be presented in concert tomorrow night as part of the Memorial Student Center Town Hall Series.

The orchestra's concert, under the direction of Howard Mitchell, will begin at 8 p.m. in G. Rollie White Coliseum. The orchestra enjoys a special role in the social life of Washington, D. C., where they are based.

Its list of boxholders is always headed by the President of the United States and Box 13 is known as "The President's Box."

Former President and Mrs. Eisenhower have heard several concerts and the same is expected of the new regime of President John Kennedy.

In former years President and Mrs. Truman were frequently in the audience. Although President Roosevelt loved music, his disability meant that he could not climb the stairs to the box, but members of his family and their friends used it, as did his wife and the family of Herbert Hoover.

Although the orchestra receives no subsidy from either the federal government or the District of Columbia, it frequently participates in official functions. The group has played in two Presidential inaugural concerts and several White House "command performances."

On other occasions semi-official concerts have been given as gestures of welcome to foreign heads of state, with the appropriate national anthem preceding the regular program.

There have been concerts for the foreign ministers of the American republics, their names on the program and their presence in the circle of boxes acknowledged by the evening's soloists.

With each year the National Symphony reflects an amazing record of growth, both artistically and statistically.

Starting in 1931, the orchestra gave 34 concerts. Last year it performed 181 times in the United States before an estimated audience of 385,716.

The current director and conductor, Howard Mitchell, conducted 128 of these concerts. Assistant Conductor Lloyd Geisler conducted 35 and guests conducted the others.

Regular youth concerts are another feature of the orchestra season. Last year the group played to a total audience of 77,994 Washington area school children.

## JFK Urges Appropriation To Aid Latin Americans

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—As a first move toward his heralded "alliance for progress," President Kennedy asked Congress Tuesday to vote \$600 million on aid for Latin America.

The reaction from Latin America was apparent disappointment.

In his message to Congress, Kennedy cautioned that if the United States does not help its neighbors, "we face a grave and imminent danger that desperate peoples will turn to communism or other forms of tyranny as their only hope for change."

His specific proposals, however, asked only that Congress appropriate funds it already had authorized last year. At the request of President Dwight E. Eisenhower, Congress had authorized \$500 million for the U. S. share of a Pan American aid program set up by the treaty of Bogota and \$100 million for rehabilitation of areas in Chile ravaged by earthquakes and fires.

Latin-American governments withheld comment after Kennedy sent his message to Congress. But an undertone of disappointment was evident.

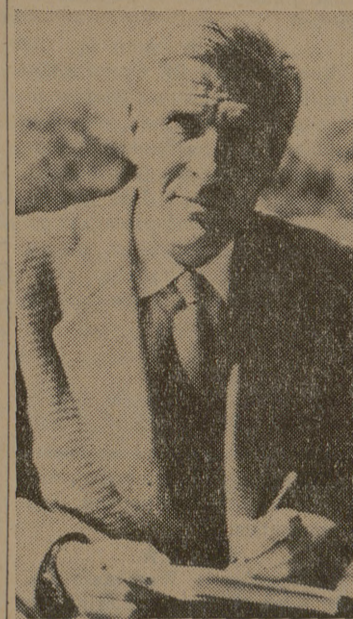
In Buenos Aires, Argentina, for example, officials privately complained of a letdown. They said Kennedy's speech had led them to expect a Marshall Plan for Latin America—with the President itemizing the dollars and cents the United States would put into a massive program.

At a White House reception Monday night, Kennedy unveiled for Latin-American diplomats a 10-year cooperative aid program for the hemisphere. He said the program was of "towering dimension," but he put no price tags on it.

Perhaps mindful of the Latin criticism, U. S. officials privately said there was a great deal more in the President's program and message than met the eye.

The officials said the 10-year Latin-American program could not be compared with the Marshall Plan, which rehabilitated Europe after World War II.

The Latin-American plan, officials said, involves a job that will be harder, longer, and more com-



Augusto Gansser . . . visiting AGI scientist

## Noted Scientist Plans Lecture

Augusto Gansser, a visiting AGI international scientist, will lecture tomorrow night on "Salt Domes and Volcanoes" in Room 105 of the Geology Building.

The public is invited to the 8 p.m. address.

Gansser is director of the Department of Geology, Federal Institute of Technology, University of Zurich, Switzerland.

He was born in Milano, Italy, in 1910. He received his high school training in Trogen, Switzerland, from where he made his first geological excursions into the classical Santis mountains.

He completed his PhD in natural sciences at the University of Zurich in 1935. In 1934 he was able to participate as a geological assistant in the East Greenland expedition of the Danish Government under the leadership of Dr. Laue Koch.

His interest in exploring hitherto unknown regions was fully rewarded in 1936 during a nine-month scientific Himalaya expedition with Prof. Heim, where he ventured alone into Tibet, dressed as a Tibetan Lama in order to carry out his geological research inconspicuously.

As an assistant at the Geological Institute of the Swiss Technical High School he worked on the Himalaya material which led to a comprehensive publication, jointly with Heim, on the Geology of the Central Himalayas, now a classic in Himalayan literature.

South American Work  
Early in 1938 he joined the Shell Oil Co. and began exploration work in Colombia, South America. He traveled extensively in all remote parts of this country and enlarged his knowledge through visits to Ecuador and Peru. He contributed to the geological investigations of the high Andes and particularly the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta.

Later, from 1947-1949, he was assigned the position of Chief Geologist in Trinidad, where he did some regional compilation work with visits to Venezuela. During a leave season he traveled together with his wife over remote parts of southwest British Guiana and north Brazil in order to complete his investigations on the enigmatic mountains covering the Guiana Shield area.

From 1950 to early 1958 he was engaged in exploration work in Persia and was substantially responsible for the discovery of the spectacular oil field of Oum in central Iran. His great scientific interest in regional geology resulted in the completion of a geo-

logical map of Persia, which was worked out together with his colleagues of the Iran Oil Co.

"This excellent sample of a modern regional geological map was subsequently published by the Iran Oil Co.," Dr. Wayne Hall, Dean of the Graduate School says. In 1958 Gansser was appointed professor in geology and director of the Geological Institute of the Swiss Federal High School and the University of Zurich.

Gansser has always remained an enthusiastic outdoor geologist, and whenever possible, he tries to return to his regional studies, be it on the crystalline tectonics in the Alps, the ophiolites in the Alpine chains.

## College To Join Graduate Council

A&M has been invited to become a charter member of the Council of American Graduate Schools.

An organizational meeting will be held in Chicago Mar. 22 to bring this new national organization into being.

Dr. Wayne C. Hall, Dean of the Graduate Studies, has been designated to represent the college by President Earl Rudder.

"The overall purpose of the Council on American Graduate Education," Hall said today, "is to provide graduate schools in the United States with a comprehensive and widely representative body through which to counsel and act together. Its purpose is the improvement and advancement of graduate education and permitting the leading institutions to speak as one voice in matters pertaining to graduate training."

It is planned in organizing the new council, the announcement states, to consolidate into one national organization the six existing organizations of graduate schools: Association of Graduate Schools, Western Association of Graduate Schools, Land Grant Division of Graduate Work, Midwest Conference on Graduate Study, Southern Conference of Graduate Schools and the New England Conference on Graduate Education.

Charter membership in the new council has been extended to only 100 of the top graduate schools of the nation. Rice University and the University of Texas are the only other schools in Texas offered charter membership.

## Grants Given Geophysicists

The Department of Geology and Geophysics has been awarded two scholarships in geophysics, one by Mobil Oil Co. in Midland and the other by Mobil International Producing Co. in New York.

Each scholarship gives the recipient a \$400 cash award and payment of tuition and academic fixed fees to a maximum of \$500.

Any fourth or fifth year student receiving a degree in geophysics before Sept. 1, 1962, is eligible to apply for one of these scholarships. Application should be made through the Department of Geology and Geophysics, S. A. Lynch, Head of the Department, has announced.

## Kiwanis Club Hears Scouts

Mrs. J. R. Hillman, executive director of the Bryan-College Station Girl Scout Council, presented a Girl Scout Week program to the College Station Kiwanis Club yesterday.

At their regular meeting in the MSC, the group heard Mrs. Hillman and Miss Jean Lovless, a senior Girl Scout, tell how girl scouting contributes to girl development.

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