

# Senators Receive Petition Opposing Name - Change

More name-change activity stirred yesterday when two A&M students presented a state senator a two-pound volume of signatures of A&M students who don't want the name of the school changed to Texas State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Juniors Joe Easley of Eagle Pass and Jeff Wentworth of San Antonio presented the petition to Sen. Bob Baker,

"44, the only one of five Aggie former students in the Senate who did not sign the bill.

The bill is the controversial "S. B. 302" now on the senate floor under the sponsorship of Sen. W. T. (Bill) Moore of Bryan, also a former A&M student.

According to Wentworth and Easley the list contained the names of 1,488 students, all wanting the name changed

to Texas A&M University.

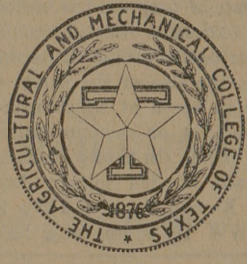
There were 141 signatures of students who favored Moore's proposal and "a few" who didn't want the name changed at all.

Easley said "most of the students realize the word university should go into the title." He reportedly added that grants are assigned by foundations only to universities and

changing the name to a university will make it easier to attract better professors.

"There will be an amendment to Sen. Moore's bill on the floor to change the wording to Texas A&M University," Baker promised.

Both the A&M College System Board of Directors and the college Academic Council have proposed the name Texas A&M University.



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## A & M Is Among America's Best Military Schools

By BOB SLOAN

What is A&M's position as a "military" school? "Good," according to A&M President Earl Rudder. However, Rudder stressed that, although A&M is one of 40 accredited "military schools" in the United States, its primary function is that of a major institution of learning—not limited to just military students.

Half of the student body is civilian, Rudder said, and there are a number of members of the Corps of Cadets who are not taking military science courses.

But still the fact remains that A&M is a recognized military school—one of 40 such schools in the country.

To qualify as a "military school," Rudder said the college had to meet certain standards, among them:

- Require military training for all qualified undergraduate students. This simply means compulsory Basic ROTC programs the first two years of college.

- Organize military students into a corps of cadets under constantly maintained military discipline.

- Require all members of the corps to be habitually in uniform when on campus.

- In general, meet military standards similar to those maintained at the Service academies.

- Rudder said the administration of the college had the prerogative to exempt certain students from

subscribing to the standards of the Cadet Corps and still be enrolled in the ROTC program. These students include athletes and some other special students, he said.

Rudder said the A&M Board of Directors, at their February meeting, voted to continue compulsory military training at the school.

"The matter of compulsory versus elective military training is under constant study," Rudder said. "We do not believe discontinuance of compulsory ROTC at this time would be in the best interest of the nation, state or college."

At present there are 31 schools in the Fourth Army area that offer advanced ROTC training. A&M led all of these schools in the number of new Army advanced contracts offered last fall, Rudder said.

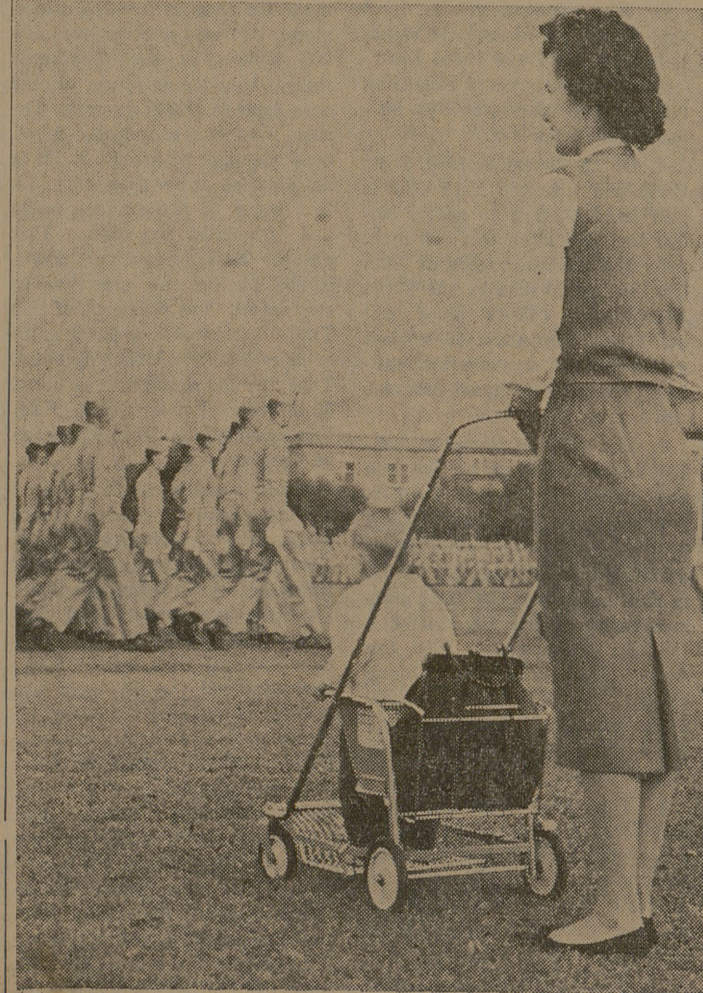
A&M's 327 new Army contracts compared with Oklahoma State University's 140, the University of Oklahoma's 125, Louisiana State University's 110 and the University of Arkansas' 102.

All other schools in the Fourth Army area offered less than 100 advanced contracts last fall.

There were no comparable figures for the Air Force, Rudder said, however, of 3500 advanced Air Force contracts offered throughout the United States last fall, 164 came to A&M.

Besides Army and Air Force contracts, other services, including the Navy and Marine Corps, offer officer training through A&M.

Students enrolled in other service officer candidate courses do not take advanced ROTC training, but attend the summer camp of their service and adhere to other requirements set by the program.



Career Day Comes Early ... class of '81?

## Career Day Finds 1,200 On Campus

More than 1,200 junior and senior high school students from throughout Texas were on campus Saturday for the 13th annual High School Career Day at A&M.

What the visiting students saw and what they heard, Dr. Frank W. R. Hubert, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, said today, "will stand them in good stead when they enter college."

Hubert welcomed the students at a general assembly in Guion Hall.

The students did this: They visited the four schools of instruction—Veterinary Medicine, Agriculture, Engineering and Arts and Sciences. A&M student, faculty and staff members were on hand to answer questions and show them around; they dined in the college dining halls, visited with students from their home towns

and witnessed an intra-squad football game in the afternoon.

### Provide Insight

On the program to provide the visiting students with an insight into college facilities and college life in general, were Cadet Corps Commander Syd Heaton of Tyler; Roland Dommert of Crowley, La., president of the Student Senate, and Robert Laird of Dayton, corps chaplain.

The Career Day, which is open to all Texas high school junior and senior students, was sponsored by the Inter-Council Student Committee of which Anthony Giardina of Beaumont is chairman, Marc Powe of Wichita Falls is vice chairman and the secretary-treasurer is Malcolm Hall of Ballinger.

## Ticket Sale Stalls Junior Banquet

The sale of tickets for the annual Junior Banquet Saturday night has stalled considerably with only one day remaining for the purchase of duets, W. D. Hardesty, director of student affairs, announced yesterday.

The tickets for the banquet are available at \$1.50 per plate at the Cashier's Window in the Memorial Student Center. They will not be sold at the door.

## More Interservice Feuds Feared With Space Issues

By The Associated Press WASHINGTON—Congress learned Monday that a Pentagon decision designed to settle the military space issue may carry the spark for another round of interservice feuding.

The first open warning came from the Army before the House Science and Astronautics Committee which is studying the Defense Department directive giving the Air Force near-exclusive rights to central military space development.

The Navy will be heard next. Secretary of the Army Elvis J. Stahr, Jr., coupled an assurance of support for the controversial order with a pledge to voice a "loud and clear" protest should the Army's space interests be being slighted.

Stahr approved the effort by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara to get "a little order out of a little chaos" but cast

doubts on the finality of the decision. He expressed belief a more nearly perfect solution for American activity in space "will evolve sometime in the future."

Assistant Secretary Richard Morse got to the nub of the Army's unhappiness when he suggested that Monday's directive assigning research authority and money would become tomorrow's decision to give the Air Force operational responsibility for what is developed.

He saw McNamara's directive as a "management tool that really tends to control roles and missions" of the armed services.

Lt. Gen. Arthur Trudeau, Army chief of research, spelled out the Army's space roles and missions, beyond the advent communications satellite that was under way before the directive.

Flanked by his civilian superiors, the veteran soldier claimed for the Army the continuing mis-

sion of defense from the ground by transforming the Nike-Zeus antimissile missile into an anti-satellite weapon.

Backing Stahr's view that space is inseparable from the earth and air, Trudeau said that the Army "should be able to expect" assurance that it can push into space its traditional role as map makers.

Beyond mapping—and the Army is already mapping the moon—Trudeau advanced the cause of the Army Engineers, Transportation Corps and Quartermasters with all their research on what it will take to move, and feed man "on the lunar surfaces."

Still unheard publicly and as yet unscheduled to appear at the inquiry is the ranking military adviser to the administration, Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer. The chairman of the Joint Chiefs is known to have entered a written protest against the way the space directive was adopted.

## Blaze Claims Life Of Ag Missionary

An Aggie who had been serving as missionary in Alaska since 1959, Rev. Curtis D. Edwards, perished with his three children Friday when fire swept their home in the Indian village of Tanana, Alaska.

The Episcopal minister was the first Cadet Corps Chaplain at Texas A&M in 1950-51, while receiving a degree in forestry from the college. Mr. Edwards was a 1947 graduate of San Jacinto High School in Houston, and his love for the outdoors brought him to A&M pursuing further studies in forestry.

Edwards, besides being Corps Chaplain, was a member of the Student Senate, Interfaith Council, and the A&M Press Club. His wife is the sister of Clark Monroe,

who was co-editor of The Battalion in 1951.

His outstanding record while in the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M won him the honor of being elected to Who's Who in Colleges and Universities.

Following graduation from college, the cadet entered the Air Force where he was a pilot for two years. After service, he was discharged in 1953 and entered the building contracting business with his father, D. C. Edwards of 1 Grier Hollow Lane, Houston.

Soon after becoming discharged, however, Edwards entered the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin,

## 'King Cotton' Picked; Cotton Ball April 7

### Over 100 Girls To Vie For Queen

John D. O'Connor of Petty, a 21-year-old agronomy major, has been named King Cotton for the 27th annual Cotton Pageant and Ball to be held Apr. 7.

The Pageant and Ball, one of the social highlights of the school year, is sponsored by the student Agronomy Society in honor of King Cotton. The event also recognizes cotton as the main cash crop grown in Texas.

King Cotton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Maness O'Connor of Petty. He was chosen for the honor by the membership of the Agronomy Society in recognition of his outstanding student activity record.

O'Connor is president and past treasurer of the society and a member of Alpha Zeta. He is past vice-president of Region IV of the American Society of Agronomy which covers Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Mississippi. He was a member of the 1960-61 Region IV champion soils-judging team.

He attended Honey Grove High School and was graduated in 1957. He was captain of the baseball and football teams, president of the junior class and president of the Honey Grove Future Farmers of America chapter.

Members of the King's Court are Vernon Yanta, Runge; Allen Swoboda, Victoria; George Alston, Temple; Anton Coy, Weslaco; William Stuhnerberg, Palacios; James Hill, Tulia; Zane Richburg, Roscoe, and Wesley Robinson, Clyde.

According to Walter Wilms, Agronomy Society social secretary, more than 100 young ladies representing Texas colleges and universities; A&M mother's, student wives; hometown, ex-student and campus clubs; TWU campus clubs and other organizations will compete for the title of Queen Cotton.

The Pageant will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Guion Hall. The Ball will be held in Sbis Hall following the crowning of Queen Cotton.

Dorothy Sinz, a Mrs. America contest judge, and Mr. and Mrs. George Dawson, fashion and art authorities of Dallas will select (See COTTON on Page 3)

## Class Election Deadline To Be Tomorrow

The filing deadline is tomorrow afternoon at 5 for positions on the ballot in the Apr. 6 college class elections.

No figures have been released on current applications submitted but all indications are for a lively election. The list of candidates will be released after being approved by their respective deans.

Candidates who still wish to file may do so up until 5 at the Student Programs Office in the lower level of the Memorial Student Center.

Run-offs will be held Apr. 13. Positions open are as follows: Class of '61: class agent.

Class of '62: president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, social secretary, historian, student entertainment manager, one MSC (See ELECTION on Page 3)

## World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

### Public Service Bill To Hit \$2.5 Billion

AUSTIN—A Senate finance group figured Monday it will take about \$2.5 billion to pay for state public services the next two years.

Recommendations of the sub-committee were expected to be approved this morning by the full Senate Finance Committee and debated on the floor either Wednesday or Thursday.

### Officers Blamed For Texas Tower Disaster

WASHINGTON—The Air Force Monday announced three officers have been charged with dereliction of duty in the collapse of a Texas Tower radar island off the New Jersey coast two months ago. Twenty-eight persons aboard were lost.

A Pentagon statement said the charges were filed after an initial investigation by the Air Defense Command with headquarters at Colorado Springs, Colo.

### Mrs. Clark Gable Delivers Son

HOLLYWOOD—The first-born son of the late Clark Gable wanted so much was born Monday, an 8-pound carbon copy—except for the ears—of his handsome dad.

"What a handsome boy," was Kay Gable's first comment. The infant was Gable's only offspring in five marriages.

### Officers Kill Farm Hand

SLATON, Tex.—A farm hand died in a hail of bullets from about 20 officers Monday night after he critically wounded a farmer for whom he worked almost 40 years.

Slaton Police Chief Eugene Martin suffered powder burns on the face when Chester Tatum, about 55, fired his pistol at the officer as Martin attempted to hurl a tear gas bomb into the building in which Tatum was hiding.

### Two Youths Rescued From Crevasse

JUNEAU, Alaska—Two bruised, battered, shivering 19-year-olds were hauled Monday from the bottom of a 50-foot-deep crevasse where they spent the night huddled together.

The rescue was staged in a driving rainstorm that sent mud and stones pouring into the crevasse on nearby Mendenhall Glacier and hampered the search for them.

## LONE REPUBLICAN . . .

## Democratic Opposition Mounts Against Tower

By The Associated Press

Democratic wheelhorses running in the special U. S. Senate campaign Monday threw new punches at the lone Republican candidate as the man they want the most to beat.

Rep. Jim Wright, D-Tex., and Atty. Gen. Will Wilson told audiences in South and West Texas that John G. Tower, the GOP's officially-endorsed candidate, is not the man to succeed Lyndon B. Johnson as senator from Texas.

Candidate Maury Maverick, Jr., Sen. William A. Blakley and State Sen. Henry B. Gonzalez also carried their vote appeals over a wide area of Texas in their bid for reelection in the April 4 balloting.

Tower was warmly praised by another national Republican figure at a Fort Worth luncheon while his Democratic opponents sniped at this tactic in his campaign.

Sen. Hugh Scott, R-Pa., was the Fort Worth speaker. Last week, Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., urged Texans to elect Tower.

Wright, in a news conference at Corpus Christi Monday, said Goldwater was making a "deliber-

ate attempt" to embarrass Johnson in some of his Texas speeches for the Republican candidate.

In other appearances Monday at Goliad, Beeville, Aransas Pass and Port Lavaca, Wright said his six years experience as a member of Congress from Texas qualify him for the Senate post.

One of the reasons Lyndon Johnson was an effective senator was that he had served with distinction in the U. S. House, had fully mastered the national legislative processes and had developed a group working relationship with the congressional leadership and the Texas delegation," Wright said.

Wilson called the appearance of non-Texas Republicans to work for Tower in Texas is a "means of subsidizing the candidacy of Tower with out-of-state money and out-of-state speakers."

"Texas does not need any foreign aid, particularly Republican-sponsored foreign aid," Wilson said at Big Spring.

Tuesday members of the Wichita Falls "Womanpower for John Tower" organization join the GOP

candidate and his family on a bus-borne barnstorming tour. It will carry women workers from his home town, Tower's wife and three daughters—all in red, white and blue—"Tower for Senator Uniforms."

The Tower tour starts in Dallas, Tuesday night moves to San Antonio and ends in Houston Wednesday night.

Maverick campaigned in the Lower Rio Grande Valley Monday, calling for state and federal legislation to "improve the lot of a hundred thousand Texas migrant farm workers."

"The American of Mexican descent who works as a migrant farm hand has fewer rights than the bracero Mexican citizen worker from south of the Rio Grande," Maverick said. Tuesday he goes to San Antonio for day appearances, then to Odessa at night for a fund-raising dinner.

Gonzalez told a rally at Port Lavaca Monday night that he would not be a rubberstamp for the Kennedy-Johnson administration.