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MAJOR MEDICAL INSURANCE

Hospitalization Plan To Be Explained

A new hospitalization insurance plan for A&M System employees has been approved by the Board of Directors. The new plan provides insurance coverage for extremely large hospital and medical service charges up to a maximum of \$10,000.

Meetings to explain in detail the new "major medical" insurance plan will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Apr. 10 and 4 p.m. Thursday, Apr. 13 in the Biology Lecture Room.

Representatives from the Pan American Life Insurance Co. will be present at the meetings to explain the plan to interested employees and answer questions. Additional information may also be had by contacting Personal Insurance and Safety Director John W. Hill in the System Comptroller's Office.

500 Must Sign

The new insurance plan cannot become effective until at least 500 System employees, who are currently insured in one of the three existing hospitalization plans, agree to accept the new service.

If adopted, the additional coverage will be designated "Plan IV." Present plans I, II, and III will remain in effect at their present rates. Plan IV, if adopted, will be strictly an additional optional plan.

Right now, there are 735 System employees with Plan I insurance, 802 with Plan II, and 505 with Plan III—a total of 2,042 persons with some type of System sponsored hospitalization insurance.

The current Plan III insurance offers the most protection now available.

Plan IV would provide its subscribers with coverage up to

\$10,000 in the event of a major health disaster. The amount that would be paid would first be subjected to a \$100 "corridor," which is deducted from the amount left over in a total bill after "base" expenses (room, special charges, and medical and surgical expenses) have been paid by the insuring company.

80 Per Cent Paid

Of this remaining amount, 80 per cent would then be paid by the company and 20 per cent by the insured member.

For example, let's assume a man has a bill for medical and hospital care that amounts to \$5,817.75.

Let's further assume his incurred expenses amount to \$754 for his hospital room, \$1,414.75 for special charges and \$633 for medical and surgical expenses, or a total of \$2,801.75 base expenses. Under Plan IV he would receive \$406 for his room, \$405 for special charges and \$200 for the medical and surgical expenses—a total "base" of \$1,011.

If other expenses (special nurses, office calls, drugs, etc.) amount to \$3,016, the total bill would be \$5,817.75.

Deduct the base amount (\$1,011) from the total and take out the \$100 "corridor." The remaining amount is \$4,706.75.

The insured person would be reimbursed for 80 per cent of this remaining amount—\$3,765.40. His personal expense is what is left—\$941.35.

The new Plan IV is aimed at

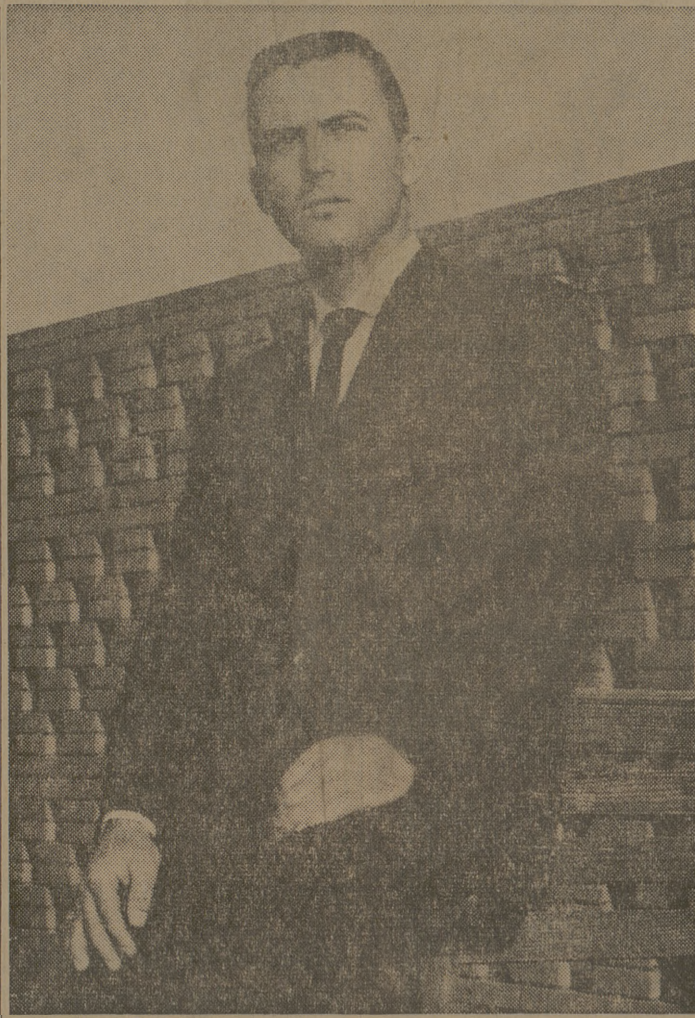
No Backlog providing more protection for long sieges of sickness due to accidents or illness—against which most people have no sufficient backlog of savings.

Costs for Plan IV for one employee run \$4.91 a month or \$14.73 quarterly; for an employee and one dependent, \$9.35 a month or \$28.05 quarterly; for an employee and two or more dependents, \$12.64 a month or \$37.92 quarterly.

Decision to enroll in the new plan is entirely voluntary, but 500 System employees now holding one of the three current plans must agree to accept Plan IV before it can be put into action.

To protect those who have supported the hospitalization plan in the past, it will be required that any new enrollees, who have never had coverage under the plan, show evidence of good health. However, should 65 per cent of those who have never participated choose to enroll, then evidence of insurability will be waived.

For those persons to whom money is an object, it is recommended that careful consideration be given to the figures on actual costs to members under each plan.



King Cotton 27th ... senior John D. O'Connor of Petty

Initial Planning Undertaken For Aggie Follies, 1961

By TOMMY HOLBEIN

The Aggie Follies of 1961 are on the way! In the form of a traveling medicine show, complete with melodrama, extra acts and various other entertainment, the show will take place during Parent's Day Weekend, May 12-13 in Guion Hall.

An initial planning meeting of members of the cast of over 30 performers was held last night in Guion, headed by Ray Simmons, production manager for the Follies.

Simmons outlined a star-studded agenda of acts for both night performances, based around a central theme of a traveling medicine show of a type that was once very prominent in this part of the country.

The medicine show will revolve around a melodrama, "She Was

Only A Farmer's Daughter," to be performed by members of the Aggie Players under the direction of C. K. Esten.

The program for the Follies includes a grand entrance by the entire cast, with a backdrop of a city or town in the back setting. Entering from all sides, the show people will get under way with over two hours of entertainment.

Acts on the show will include a hillbilly number, complete with wash tub and jug; a female vocalist with smooth voice and style and a famous comedy trampoline acrobatic number, followed by a girl dancer.

The Bengal Bells, famed girls' drill team from Consolidated High School will also perform with 16 lassies on stage, accompanied by piano and drums.

Another featured performer will be Dave Woodard, with his drums and magic; also, another female vocalist will follow Woodard's number. A grand finale will finish out the show.

Another meeting of the cast is set for April 24 in Guion Hall, at which time the first major rehearsal of the show will be held.

This coming Sunday afternoon, all acts needing musical accompaniment will meet in the piano room of the Memorial Student Center to work out problems and begin to prepare for regular rehearsals to come later in the month.

A second project of the Aggie Players is "The Rivals," a play written by Richard Brinsley Sheridan in 1775, which has been adapted for modern performance and will begin playing April 17-22 in Guion Hall.

Under the direction of Vic Weining, the players have been rehearsing "The Rivals" since January, and will present the comedy "in the round" in Guion.

The play is a comedy of manners, written as a light satirical piece poking fun at manners of the gentility; the script has been adapted in some places for present day presentation, according to C. K. Esten, producer.

Featured in the cast are John (See AG PLAYERS on Page 3)

FOR ECUADOR

Livestock Shipment Leaving Tomorrow

A shipment of Texas livestock for a Baptist orphanage and agricultural school in Guayaquil, Ecuador, will leave College Station by truck about 1 p. m. tomorrow.

At Miami, Fla., the livestock will be loaded on a Pan American plane for the overseas shipment.

Livestock not donated were sold at a special price by leading Texas breeders for this mission project.

Included in the livestock shipment will be 100 Angora goats from Mason, Tex., one young registered Brahman bull from the Luling Foundation Stock and two registered young Santa Gertrudis bulls from the Coulter Hoppers Ranch near Bryan. Luther Cobb, Bryan trucker, will haul the cattle to Miami.

The School of Veterinary Medicine is doing the final health clearance work for overseas shipment. Veterinarians in Mason and Seguin are also cooperating. A brief dedication service will be held at or near the Veterinary

3rd Installment Fees Payable

Third installment fees are now payable at the Fiscal Office. The deadline for payment is next Thursday.

Animal Disease Conference Now Underway

Animal Disease Research Workers in Southern States are holding their 14th annual meeting in the College Memorial Student Center.

Dr. R. D. Turk, head of the Department of Veterinary Parasitology and president of the research workers, said the purpose of the session is to stimulate interest in animal disease problems and exchange information. Most of the persons attending are veterinarians.

Discussion subjects, which are of a technical nature, vary from liver lesions in cattle to bronchitis in poultry.

Registration started at 8 a.m. this morning, followed by an address of welcome by Dr. R. D. Lewis, director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

A&M personnel participating in the program are R. R. Bell, T. J. Galvin, C. F. Hall, L. C. Grumbles, A. I. Flowers, R. W. Moore and H. E. Redmond, all of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

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Pageant, Ball Slated Tomorrow

A group of 170 girls from throughout the state, sponsored by colleges, high schools, A&M former student clubs, A&M mother's clubs, A&M campus clubs, women's and civic clubs and others, will compete Friday night for the coveted title of Queen of the 27th Annual Cotton Pageant and Ball.

The Pageant will begin at 7:30 p. m. in Guion Hall with the Ball following at 9:30 in Sbsia Hall.

The duchesses and their sponsoring organizations are as follows:

Margie Avant, Dairy Science Wives Club, A&M; Linda Gail Bailey, Jasper A&M Mothers Club; Barbara Banks, The Womans Club, Bryan; Charlotte Marie Ball, Dietetics Club, Texas Woman's University; Mary Imelda Barrera, Rio Grande Valley Regional Club; Kathy Beke, Houston Area Hometown Club;

Linda Goldeway, Lavaca County and Yoakum A&M Club; Nancy Conerly, Saddle and Siroin Club; Sara Sue Cool, Philomathia Literary-Social Club; Betty Copeland, Bell County A&M Mothers Club; Nancy Cordell, Insurance Society; Charlene Cordts, Deep East Texas Hometown Club; Martha Coy, Rio Grande A&M Mothers Club;

Judith Kay Cotton, Student Council, Texas College of Arts & Industries; Diana Croix, Texas Woman's University Campus Government Association; Peggy Crouse, Waco-McLennan County A&M Club; Sharron Clifton, Fort Worth Hometown Club; Donna Dale, Bryan-College Station Texas Woman's University Alumnae; Barbara Davis, Bellaire Hometown Club;

Sandra Dietz, Hill Country Hometown Club; Diane Dulaney, Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Alpha Xi Chapter; Novie Jo Dunlap, Tau Beta Pi Engineering Fraternity of A&M; Judith Anne Edman, Houston A&M Mothers Club; Gayle Margaret Ellender, A&M Newman Club; Carolyn Ellison, Quota Club of Bryan; Donna Marie Fadal, Waco A&M Mothers Club;

Nancy Farquhar, San Patricio Hometown Club; Dotty M. Farrar, Corpus Christi Hometown Club; Dona Gaye Fields, Orange A&M Mothers Club; Jayne Flume, Comal County A&M Mothers Club; Bonnie Jean Frame, Navarro County Mothers Club; Jo Iris Frank, A&M Aeronautical Engineering Wives Club; Carolyn French, Refugio County Mothers Club; Wanona Carol Garrett, Bryan-College Station Chapter, National Secretaries Association; Isabel Garza, Sigma Tau Delta-English Fraternity; Deanna Lee

Drive Road-E-O To Be Held Here Saturday

The Bryan Teenage Safe Driving Road-E-O will be held on the A&M Campus this Saturday. It is being sponsored by the Bryan Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Open to area teenagers, the driving contests will take place in the parking lot south of Henderson Hall.

Entrants in the Road-E-O are required to have no record of any driving offense for the past six months.

Plans are also underway for the State Teenage Safe Driving Road-E-O to be held here June 3-4. The state contest will involve about 60 contestants.

Jimmy Holland of Bryan and Dick Haddox of College Station are in charge of arrangements for the event.

Gilmore, Health and Physical Education Club;

Mitzi Golden, A&M Consolidated High School; Blanca Alicia Gonzales, L'Allegro Literary Social Club; Dickie Ann Grimes, Alpha Beta Alpha (Library Science); Sharon Grisham, College Station Lions Club; Rita Guidry, Baytown Hometown Club; Jacqueline Harder, Texas Society, Children of the American Revolution; Kathleen Heaton, Brazos Valley Folklore Society;

Carolyn Herdman, Brown County A&M Mothers Club; Sarah Lu Hardy, Sonora A&M Mothers Club; Kay Hart, Bryan Lions Club; Judy Hecht, A&M Mothers Club of Junction; Luine Heizer, Erath County A&M Club; Ann Holdredge, College Station Kiwanis Club; Monna Homer, Aglaian Literary Social Club; Toni Katherine Horn, The Campus Study Club; Ann Grace Hornsby, The Preparatory Law Society;

Paula Hudson, Society of Automotive Engineers; Lola Huitt, Architectural Wives Society; Kay Irvin, Galveston County Hometown Club; Shirley Jamison, Brush Country A&M Mothers Club; Marilyn Cathleen Jenkins, A&M-Student Chapter, American Meteorological Society; Jo Ann Johnson, (See DUCHESSSES On Page 5)

World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

Soviets Withdraw U.N. Charges

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y.—The Soviet Union Wednesday withdrew its U.N. complaint against the United States stemming from last year's U2 and RB47 plane incidents.

But the action, taken with the avowed intention of easing international tension, failed to win United States agreement to dropping Hungary and Tibet from the list of issues still listed for debate by the General Assembly.

Life Imprisonment Ruled For Murderers

LOS ANGELES—Dr. R. Bernard Finch and his sweet-heart, Carole Tregoff, yesterday were sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his socialite wife.

The same jury of 10 men and 2 women that convicted them last week thus spared the wealthy surgeon and his ex-mistress from death in California's gas chamber.

Kennedy, Macmillan Talks Open

WASHINGTON — President Kennedy and Britain's Prime Minister Harold Macmillan started probing discussions Wednesday aimed at strengthening Allied unity for a long time to come.

The most inflammable crisis of the moment, Laos, was on both American and British minds as the two leaders met at the White House in the first of three days of intensive consultations.

Pre-Election Fighting Flares In Viet Nam

SAIGON, Viet Nam—Months of Communist terrorism have mushroomed into open warfare as this Sunday's presidential election approaches, government sources said yesterday night. They estimated the Reds have suffered 530 casualties in the past eight days.

Communist Viet Cong rebels now are operating in battalion strength and are reported to have lost 200 killed and wounded in one battle alone, informants said.

Oil Probes Planned For Ireland

HOUSTON—Three United States oil companies plan to conduct oil and natural gas exploration throughout the Republic of Ireland.

Continental Oil Co., Ohio Oil Co., and Ambassador Oil Corp. Wednesday announced the plans under an exclusive agreement Ambassador negotiated last year with the Irish government.

Laotian Rebels Ready For Negotiations

TOKYO—The Pathet Lao rebels are ready to negotiate for a cease-fire in Laos, Peiping radio reported Thursday.

The broadcast quoted a statement by Prince Souphanouong, leader of the pro-Communist Pathet Lao military forces and chairman of the Neo Lao Haksat party.

Physicist Wins Scholarship — Page 3



Arkansas Vocalist Dorothy Nelson ... returns to campus for Cotton Pageant