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Students Express Opinions On Proposed Peace Corps

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The Kennedy Administration's Peace Corps has been the subject of a great deal of debate during the first few months of its existence, particularly among the students of America's colleges and universities.

In an effort to determine the overall picture the Peace Corps is painting on the campuses of America, the New York Herald-Tribune has asked the editors of campus newspapers across the nation to survey students at their own schools.

The results of this poll are to appear in the Herald-Tribune Sunday, April 23.

The poll conducted at A&M asked six simple questions—Are you fully informed of the Peace Corps program, or aware of it?

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'Willing To Serve'

To be eligible for the Peace Corps, an applicant must be at

least 18-year-old and willing to serve, without pay, for two years in one of the more undeveloped countries of the world. The Peace Corps promise the work will be hard and the hours long.

A person will be deferred from military service while serving in the Peace Corps, but he would not be exempt from his military obligation and would be subject to the draft upon his return to the United States.

The Corps is accepting applications from both men and women. Husband and wife teams may enlist together, as long as they have no dependents under 18 years.

From your knowledge of the Peace Corps, do you favor it as an instrument to assist underdeveloped countries?

If not in favor, do you have an idea for a better program, or do you have any suggested improvements for the Peace Corps?

Do you plan to apply for enlistment in the Peace Corps?

If not, is it because of parental objections, health reasons, economic reasons, draft status or other reasons?

Would you enlist under ideal conditions? Would you enjoy the type of work the Peace Corps plans to do?

Twenty-two A&M students were polled. These students represented a cross-section of the major subject areas most wanted by the Peace Corps—education, agriculture, engineering, and health. Opinions ranged from an "emphatic no!" to "Yes, I already have," when the question, "Do you plan to join the Peace Corps?" was asked.

For the most part, however, the answer to this question was "No," at least not until some changes had been made.

At the top of the list of suggested improvements for the Peace Corps was, "allow the two years spent in the Corps to exempt one from any military duty."

Another frequent suggestion was to pay the volunteers a substantial salary, inducing them to make the Peace Corps their life's work.

All of the 22 students polled said they knew something about the Peace Corps. Only four, however, said they had done a great deal of reading on the subject. Two had written the Peace Corps asking for information.

All but one said they were in favor of the Corps. The one dissenter said he believed a corps of "experienced teachers and mature technicians" should be recruited rather than young people fresh from college.

Several others said they believed the Corps should be supervised by mature educators.

No one was for scraping the Peace Corps in favor of some other method of assistance to underdeveloped countries, however, and only one person suggested any major revision of its basic goals.

An even half—11 of the 22 students—said they would seriously consider joining the Peace Corps if ideal conditions existed. All 11 said they were definitely interested in the Peace Corps program, but, for various reasons, knew they would not be able to participate.

Two persons said they were planning to go into underdeveloped countries to work, but both said they would rather do so with a governmental agency or private firm that would offer them a good salary and lifetime career.

Only seven said they would not join the Peace Corps under any conditions; four said they didn't know.

Out On Top: Waddell, Barrett, Dodge Elected

Only 1,789 Vote In Class Run-Offs

By RONNIE BOOKMAN

When the polls closed yesterday afternoon 1,789 had voted in the class officer election runoffs. Included in the results was a tie to be broken by "the flip of a coin."

Elected were:

Class of 1962

John Waddell, president. Chuck Cochran, vice president. Charles Moore, secretary-treasurer. Johnny Martinez, social secretary. Don Dodgen, historian.

The race for Memorial Student Center councilman ended in a tie. David Halm and Jeff Wentworth each racked up 222 votes. The election commission of the MSC Council is to determine the winner by flipping a coin as soon as Halm returns from an off-campus trip. College regulations do not stipulate a method for breaking a tie.

Jim Davis, head yell leader. Tom Ralph, yell leader.

Class of 1963

Paul Barrett, president. Charles Blaschke, vice president. Al Weaver, secretary-treasurer. Don Brister, social secretary.

Paul M. Smith, MSC Council. Bill Brashers, yell leader. Tom Nelson, yell leader.

Class of 1964

Mike Dodge, president. George Reynolds, vice president. Lee Grant, secretary-treasurer. Paul Dresser, social secretary. Harry Christian, MSC Council.

Statistics

Here are the official returns of yesterday's class officer runoffs:

Class of 1962

President: Roque Rodriguez—178; John Waddell—273. Vice president: Chuck Cochran—257; Cecil Bailey—195.

Secretary-treasurer: Jan Ahart—196; Charles Moore—256.

Social secretary: Johnny Martinez—227; "Shakey" Powell—226.

Historian: Bob Bates—226; Don Dodgen—226.

MSC Council: David Halm—222; Jeff Wentworth—222.

Yell leader (Candidate receiving most votes is elected head yell leader): Bill McClain—164; Jim Davis—379; Tom Ralph—321.

Class of 1963

President: Roger John—269; Paul Barrett—294.

Vice president: Scottie Brown—233; Charles Blaschke—324.

Secretary-treasurer: Bob Gar-

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Song Fest, Pan-American Style . . . during play "The Browns Go South of the Border"

"The Rivals" Starts Monday In Guion Hall

By TOMMY HOLBEIN

Blending comedy with expert stagecraft, the Aggie Players present "The Rivals" starting Monday night and lasting through Friday, presented "in the round" in Guion Hall at 8 each night.

The play is an internationally famous comedy written by the British playwright, Richard Brinsley Sheridan, and was first presented in Covent Gardens, London, England. It has been hailed as one of the most popular works for theater written in the 18th century.

A uniqueness in presentation will exist as the Aggie Players incorporate several unique elements designed and executed for a consistent treatment of "The Rivals."

Emphasis is on the wit and absurdity of the characters and situations, and the play gently pokes fun at many of the pompous and grandiose formalities of manners in the time in which it was written.

At the same time, the play is viewed as a museum piece, a gem of the 18th Century. To emphasize this theme, the set designers, Dave Woodard and Charles Hearn, have produced a creation which is witty and gay, and which also jabs gentle fun at the rococo mannerisms.

The group's costume designer, Jane Eisner, has created colorfully humorous costumes that suggest the period and elegantly characterize each of the 13 people in the comedy.

Striving for perfection in performance, the cast has been at work for three months rehearsing the play to attain the proper degree of stylized acting that the artificial characters Sheridan created are credible in their believability and absurdity, according to Vic Weining, play director.

Cast includes Oscar Saunders as Fag, Keith Thompson as Thomas, Sue Abbott as Lucy, Doris Hampton as Lylia Languish, Jayne Coulter as Julia Mellville and Gail Wilson as Mrs. Malaprop.

Also in the production are John Paxton cast in the role of Sir Anthony Absolute, Jerald Fletcher as Jack Absolute, David White as Faulkland, Bob Hipp as Bob Acres, Sam Cely as Sir Lucius O'Trigger and Randy Yeagen as David.

Preceding the play will be a prologue written especially for the production by Weining, and presented by Eva Arndt Stern and Keith Thompson.

The production staff includes the set designers, Woodard and Hearn; lights, handled by Hearn and Corky Couvillan; costumes designed by Jane Eisner; seamstresses, Nina Stelly, Marlene Rushing, Betty Simmons, Libby Alexander, Betty Isham, and Sue Abbott; properties, Hearn, Sue Abbott, and John Paxton.

'BROWNS GO SOUTH'

Three-Act Play Entertains Pan-American Week Patrons

"The Browns Go South of the Border," a one act play written and produced by the Pan American Club, was presented in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom last night.

The scene of the entire play was a small restaurant in Mexico, and the action was built around a couple from the United States on vacation and their problems with the language and the tourist prices.

Mr. Brown, played by Johnny

Penrod, sophomore English major, constantly became entangled in the actions of the waiter and the other patrons of the cafe.

The waiter, played by Manuel Comache, from Colombia, was the big problem to Mr. Brown. Each time Mr. Brown would ask a question, the waiter would very pleasantly answer it, then he would react behind the back of Mr. Brown by making faces and mimicking him.

Mr. Brown, played by Johnny

With the arrival of a combo, "Panama Joe and His Hot Peppers," there was singing and dancing during which Mr. Brown became very interested in the singer played by Annette Adams. Mrs. Brown, played by Kathy Blackburn, showed her disapproval of this interest to the amusement of the audience by several times kicking him in the shin.

Directing the play were Juan Alberto Terrassa and Eduardo Alvarez Tostado, with the help and advice of C. K. Esten, director of the Aggie Players.

Also taking part in the play were several girls from Stephen F. Austin High School's Spanish classes. The girls took the parts of dancers and patrons in the cafe to add to the entertainment of the audience.

The play came to an end with all the cast dancing on the stage in a line and Mr. Brown feebly attempting to follow the rest of the group.

After the play there was a short period of entertainment provided by "Panama Joe and His Hot Peppers." They played several Latin American pieces interspersed with singing.

Tonight on the schedule for the Pan American Week observance will be a Latin American Smorgasbord, featuring special dishes prepared in the MSC from recipes furnished by the students from Latin American nations.

The dinner will be open to the public in the MSC Dining Room at a cost of \$1.75 per person. Serving will begin at 6 p.m. and last until 8 p.m.

Following the meal will be a talk by Dr. Martin Cattani, Consul of Paraguay, beginning at 8 p.m. in the MSC Assembly Room.

The talk will be entitled "Economic Future of Latin America." Cattani will be honored with a reception in Rooms 2A and 2B immediately after his address. The speech and reception will be open to the public at no charge.

Ultimate Solution: Latin-Am Union

(Editor's note: The following article is an account of the ultimate solution reached by the panel during Pan American Week concerning the problems of Latin America. The article encompasses the joint opinion of the entire panel as written by Rene E. Bucaram of Ecuador. The panelists and the Latin American problems that they presented were: Orlando Cossani of Argentina, education; Francisco Garza of Mexico, economics; Peter Heiz of Honduras, Quo Vadis; and Bucaram, the solution of the problems: the Latin American Union.

The moderator was R. Thompson of the Department of Business Administration).

By RENE E. BUCARAM
Manta, Ecuador, S. A.

It was in 1492 when Spain discovered the Americas and held it for over 328 years, until 1820, when the Continent became free of the Spanish rule.

America was productive under the rule of Spain and Portugal, to such an extent that, while their empires lasted in America, they were the dominant and most powerful countries in the world. It was the richness that America gave these two countries that kept them economically sound, politi-

cally strong and militarily invincible.

This empire proved the weakness of Spain and Portugal, and when England attacked the Achilles Tendon of Spain, that is, their supply lines to America, these two countries crumbled and became secondary powers.

Spain and Portugal, ransacked the American Colonies, but in spite of this vicious exploitation, this Continent was so rich that it seemed to carry this burden only lightly.

In 1810 Simon Bolivar began his fight for freedom from Spain and for a unified Latin America. His dream was "One people under one flag from Mexico to Magallanes."

Bolivar gave his life for that concept of union, as did other great leaders like San Martin, and if he would have been listened to, that country, composed of the 20 smaller countries of today, would stand united and would be a counter-balance to any world power.

The unhappy truth is that we are now separated, fighting among ourselves with little reason. Had we listened to Bolivar, today we would not have land disputes (such as the Nicaragua-Honduras land

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RV Banquet, Ball Tomorrow

Dr. Walter K. Kerr will speak tomorrow night at the 6 p.m. Ross Volunteer Banquet in the Dining Room of Bryan's Triangle Restaurant.

Kerr's address will kick-off RV Ball and Banquet night, one of the prominent social events of the year for the college honor guard.

Following Kerr's talk and the banquet, the RV Ball will begin at 9 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center. Music will be furnished by the Aggieband Combo, with the MSC Patio to be available for dancing.

Campus Chest Drive To End

The year's second Campus Chest drive will end tonight as solicitors pass through college dormitories in quest of funds that will possibly total the \$3,000 goal.

The drive was kicked off yesterday as tubs were available in the Memorial Student Center and solicitations were made in dormitories.

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World Wrap-Up

By The Associated Press

South Korean Students Demonstrate

SEOUL, South Korea—Three thousand high school students marched through the streets of Pusan, Korea's major port in the east coast, yesterday shouting slogans against two security bills now before the National Assembly.

The government says the two bills are necessary to curb Communist activities and unruly demonstrations. Opponents say they will stifle civil liberties.

Congressmen Grill Top Space Officials

WASHINGTON—Bewildered and bewildered congressmen grill America's top space officials on the grill Thursday over the latest and most dazzling Soviet space orbit feat.

Date Set For Senate Runoff

AUSTIN—Gov. Price Daniel said yesterday he will call the runoff election in the Senate race for Saturday May 27.

Votes of the April 4 election in which Republican John Tower and the interim senator, William Blakley, were the top vote getters, will be canvassed April 21.

CSC Sets 'Weekend' Stage

"We need man-power, a veritable army of ants" to get ready for Civilian Weekend," Civilian Weekend Chairman Randy Sanders told the Civilian Student Council Thursday night.

Sanders said work on the dance and the barbecue, both scheduled for Saturday, April 22, is progressing.

Milner Hall will set up The Grove for the barbecue, College View civilians will serve the barbecued chicken and Hart Hall will handle the clean-up, he said.

The CSC has volunteered to decorate Sbsa Hall for the informal dance. Mitchell Hall will clean up afterwards.

Half a barbecued chicken will be served everyone who attends the barbecue beginning at 5:30 p.m. in The Grove. Tickets for the event will cost \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12. They may

be purchased from housing area counselors.

Students who bought Spring Semester activity cards may present them to their respective counselor in exchange for a ticket to the event.

However, no tickets to the barbecue will be sold or exchanged after noon, Thursday, April 20, Sanders said.

The dance will be held in Sbsa Dining Hall from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight Saturday, the Bennie Paruse Orchestra providing the music.

"Dance tickets will cost \$1.50, stag or drag," Sanders said. "The tickets may be purchased from housing area counselors, or purchased at the door. Students may also exchange their Fall Semester activity card for the dance ticket."

A highlight of the dance will be the selection of the Civilian Sweet-

heat from 14 finalists. Every civilian dormitory or housing project with the exception of one, has a sweetheart entered in the competition.

In other Council business, a secret ballot was taken to determine the most valuable man on the 1960-61 Civilian Student Council.

Babcock Contest Deadline Extended

The deadline for entries in the annual Babcock Essay Contest has been extended from today at 5 p.m. until the same time next Friday, contest officials have announced.

The change was facilitated by the fact that the officials said they will be allowed more time to

The recipient of the award will be announced at the Civilian Student Council Banquet May 15.

Council President Mike Carlo announced that representatives of next year's Council will meet with the present Council May 11. Dormitory elections must be completed by that time, Carlo said.

judge the entries before the winner is announced at the Student Publications Banquet May 19.

"Educational Assets I Find at A&M" is the title chosen for the essays. Entries may be submitted at the Student Publications Office in the YMCA Building.