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National Radio, TV Possible For Bonfire

Radio, and possibly television coverage of the 1961 bonfire was announced by Head Yell Leader Jim Davis at a Bonfire Committee meeting Wednesday night.

Davis said the American Broadcasting Co. had indicated to him the bonfire would be featured on the Paul Harvey radio program, and added there was a possibility for television coverage as well.

Immediate problems facing completion of the big fire (set to burn Nov. 22, the day before the University of Texas football game in Kyle Field) are a shortage of big trucks, a Corps' Trip to Houston which will hamper the building schedule and no definite "cutting area" location.

Yell Leader Tom Ralph said some trucks used in the past were no longer available. He asked that anyone having access to a large truck that might be used in building the bonfire get in touch with any of the yell leaders.

Davis said the Corps Trip to Houston for the football game with Rice University Nov. 18 would shorten the building time normally allotted for the bonfire by one full day. He said skeleton crews will work Friday and Saturday, Nov. 17 and 18, but the majority of work will be done Sunday and Monday. No classes will be held Monday in the undergraduate school so students may work on the bonfire.

The Office of Physical Plant said it would erect two mercury vapor lights in the "stacking area" Friday before bonfire work begins so stacking can proceed around the clock. The center pole is also expected to be put in place Friday.

John M. Beakley, a member of the Bonfire Committee, said a definite location for a new cutting area had not been selected. He said the area used last year was not suitable this year. Beakley asked that anyone with an idea for a cutting area call him at VI 6-9907.

Steadman Davis, Bonfire Traffic and Safety Sub-Committee chairman, asked that anyone wishing to serve on that committee contact him at VI 6-4402 or come by Walton Hall, Rm K-10, before Friday, Oct. 27.

County TB Drive Nears Kickoff Date

Agger hands of a group of women from the St. Andrews Church of Bryan were busy Monday at the office of the Brazos County TB Association as nearly 8,000 name labels were stuck on envelopes to be used in the 1961 Christmas Seal Campaign.

Mrs. Hickman Garrett Jr., county campaign chairman, was in charge of the work.

"Sticking name labels on envelopes is just one of the many steps in the preparation of the appeal letters which will be mailed Nov. 11 to residents of Brazos County," Mrs. Garrett said. "All this work is done by volunteers, who save the Association hundreds of dollars and many hours of staff time. This money and time saved can be used in the TB control work."

Those helping Mrs. Garrett included Mrs. E. N. Pianta, Mrs. G. Morris, Mrs. Mackin Jones, Mrs. Walter Doney, Mrs. Leon Hancock, Mrs. Gay Osborne and Mrs. Charles Edge.

Silver Taps Honors Aggie Killed Tuesday

Silver Taps was held last night for Herbert Ernest Rodgers, Jr., '61 majoring in electrical engineering and business administration from Hebronville, Tex., living in Hart Hall.

The 21 year old student was born Dec. 28, 1939. His death, caused by injuries sustained when his car overturned at the intersection of Enfield St. and Texas Avenue, occurred at 11:40 p.m. Tuesday in a local hospital.

Yesterday, the body was flown home by Callaway Jones Air Ambulance Service, where it will rest in state in the Hebronville Baptist Church until interment in Green Hills Cemetery tomorrow afternoon.

Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m.

Immediate survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert E. Rodgers, Sr., of Hebronville; one sister, Mrs. Lily Mae Long of Alice, Tex., and paternal grandmother, Mrs. Lily Mae Clark of Alice.

Post Office Remodeling Set In MSC

Plans are being made for improving facilities in the Memorial Student Center station of the College Station postal department in the near future, according to Postmaster General J. Edward Day.

Day said the planned improvement and modernization of the postal services in the MSC are part of a nation-wide program to stimulate the economy and at the same time improve the efficiency of the postal service.

The present quarters are to be improved and modernized, including refrigerated air-conditioning equipment, fluorescent lighting, interior painting and modernized screenline.

College Station Postmaster Ernest Gregg said the old post office boxes will be torn out and replaced. These new boxes will be trimmed in formica to match the rest of the trimming around the MSC. According to Gregg, there will be new "banker" type service counters also trimmed in formica.

Gregg said the old postal headquarters at North Gate is now undergoing complete remodeling and will have the same improvements as the MSC station but on a much larger scale. The work, which began Aug. 1, will probably be finished by April or May.

State BSU Meet Opens Tomorrow In Dallas Church

Plans are now being completed by the A&M Baptist Student Union for the annual State BSU Convention to be held in Dallas starting tomorrow.

State President Bill Harrison, '62, reports that 55 Aggies have signed the list of those to attend. These Aggies will register at the Gaston Avenue Baptist Church in Dallas.

A program of speakers, Bible study and conferences along the theme of "A Living Church in a Revolutionary World" will follow the registration. Harrison will preside at the convention.

Transportation from Dallas to Ft. Worth for the parade and the football game will be provided for those attending the convention. Interested students may obtain additional information from the Baptist Student Center.

Leipper At Meet

Dr. Dale Leipper, head of the Department of Oceanography and Meteorology, is participating in the Shallow Water Conference through Saturday at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md.

Five Tessies Arrive To Kickoff Activities

Corps Trip Day Drawing Near

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Initial Corps Trip activities began today with the arrival of five Texas Woman's University representatives for yell-practice, Student Senate meeting and to invite students to the Denton campus over the weekend.

The five, headed by Aggie Sweetheart Ann Edwards, were greeted at 4 p. m. with a saber arch into the Memorial Student Center.

TWU representatives are Anita Franklin, president of the student council of social activities; Linda Hearn, president of the campus government association; Carole Everhart, sweetheart finalist; Carole Everhart, Miss Texas contestant, and Miss Edwards.

They will be escorted while on campus by Malcolm Hall, John Waddell, Larry Christian, John Anthis and Bill Cardwell, respectively.

The delegates will eat dinner tonight in the college dining halls and will attend yell-practice at 7:05 in The Grove. They will then be guests at 7:30 at a Student Senate meeting.

They will return to Denton by car Friday.

At yell-practice, the five will issue invitations to all students for the pre-Corps Trip Dance at TWU Friday night at 8.

Also on tap on the Denton campus over the weekend is a junior reception at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Saturday, of course, the Corps of Cadets will be in Ft. Worth for a 10 a.m. parade and then the Aggie-TCU game at Amon Carter Stadium.

At the game, Miss Edwards, a sophomore nursing major from Houston, will be officially crowned Aggie Sweetheart for the '61-'62 school year.

Civilian Student Council President Doug Schwenk and Cadet Col. of the Corps Cardwell will preside at the crowning ceremonies.



Ann Edwards



Carole Everhart



Anita Franklin



Linda Hearn



Carole Everhart

'NEED PEACE FOR SUCCESS'

Nikita Says Soviets Can Crush 'Any Challenger'

MOSCOW (AP) — Premier Khrushchev declared Wednesday the Soviet Union means to have all the necessary nuclear and missile weapons of every range to crush anyone "challenging us to war."

But he said his "main challenge" to the capitalist world is the 20-year program he laid before the applauding 22nd Soviet party congress and "it can be fulfilled successfully only in the conditions of peace."

Khrushchev, who Tuesday spoke of exploding a 50-megaton bomb, 2,500 times the size of the first atom bomb at Hiroshima, promised as he has before to "disband our army and sink our atomic bombs and missiles in the ocean."

But this promise was on the condition there is an agreement on general and complete disarmament under strict international control. Western disarmament negotiators never have been able to get a satisfactory agreement on controls with the U.S.S.R.

Khrushchev, in a six-hour speech — his second such in two days — outlined a 20-year program which he said would give the Soviet people the highest production and living standards on earth.

He described it as a blueprint for the inevitable "downfall of imperialism and the triumph of socialism on a world scale" which already has administered a big defeat for aggressive forces "who idolize the hydrogen bomb."

Forty million card-carrying Communists in 87 nations all over the world, he said, have made communism "the most powerful force of our time."

This force, he added, is working in "an epoch of revolutions, social revolutions, anti-imperialist national liberation revolutions, broad peasant movements" and all are merging in a capitalist-undermining process.

"By hailing the torch of liberty, the banner of socialism and com-

munism over the world, our party has glorified the 20th century as a century of fundamental changes in the destinies of mankind," declared Khrushchev in the concluding part of his address to the nearly 5,000 delegates in the Kremlin auditorium.

Tass, the official Soviet news agency, in commenting on the reaction said delegates leaving the Kremlin felt as if they had made a "thrilling trip to the orbit of communism" that would be realized in the near future.

Western reporters noted, however, that many in the audience, rather than being thrilled nodded frequently, only to be brought awake by waves of applause which seemed to break out at about 10-minute intervals.

Toward the end Khrushchev became hoarse and fell into a fit of coughing which lasted about a minute.

"I probably have a cold," he said with a grin, and the audience was swept with laughter.

'57 Soviet Bomb Reported Deadly

NEW YORK (AP)—Fallout from a Soviet atomic test in 1957 was reported Wednesday, in an unofficial and unconfirmed account, to have killed many Russians, caused widespread illness and contaminated water and crops.

The report was broadcast by Radio Liberty, a private American-sponsored network which beams programs to the Soviet Union in Russian and 17 other languages.

Radio Liberty said its information came from a man who was an eyewitness. His name was kept secret. The network said it was transmitting his account to the Soviet Union on a 24-hour basis.

The story, as related on the broadcasts, was this: The blast was set off in the Soviet Asian Republic of Kazakhstan. Residents of the area around Semipalatinsk in Kazakhstan were assured that the test would not harm them in any way.

However, Soviet scientists apparently misjudged weather conditions and a heavy fallout descended in the region.

Inspection teams soon discovered radioactive contamination in farm animals and crops. They ordered all crops burned, and fields plowed.

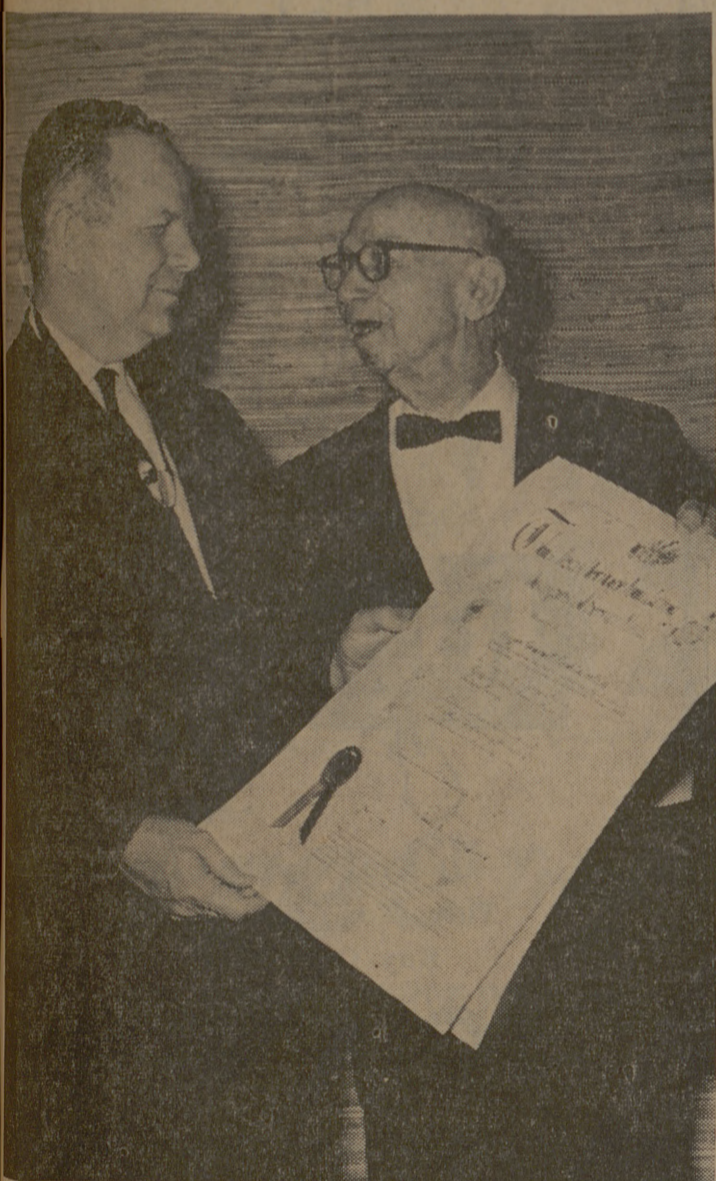
After that, poultry and cattle began to die. Authorities ordered their carcasses burned also, but the contamination continued to spread.

Two weeks after the explosion, officials issued posters warning the area's residents against drinking water from uncovered wells and instructing them to report to doctors any sharp headaches and high fevers.

Between two and four weeks after the blast, effects on humans began to appear. They suffered temporary paralysis, loss of hair, high temperatures, delirium and complications affecting the lungs, kidneys and liver.

A high death rate ensued. Few others failed to be affected in some way.

Soviet authorities sought to minimize the situation in domestic news reports by calling it an epidemic of "virus flu."



Rudder Honored

President Earl Rudder here is presented a Distinguished Service Medal by A. Garland Adair, Executive Director of the Texas Heritage Foundation. The scroll, here being examined by the two following presentation this week, is presented to outstanding Texans "in recognition of distinguished and meritorious public service in preserving the Texas Heritage." Similar medals and scrolls were presented to Travis B. Bryan of Bryan, and Col. Maybin H. Wilson, in the Texas Adjutant General's Department of Austin. (College Information Photo)