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"Another Dime: It Helps!"

Miss Linda Riat, left, and Miss Judy Mills, right, receive a contribution from Mrs. Homer Adams and son, Jack, of College Station. They were among hundreds of contributors to the Teens Against Polio drive conducted Saturday throughout Bryan and College Station. The above scene occurred at the North Gate toll road conducted by College Station TAP members.

Teens Against Polio Drive Begun Here

Despite a chilly breeze and lower than usual temperatures, the Bryan-College Station Teens Against Polio conducted joint outdoor fund-raising campaigns Saturday, starting a month of various planned drives.

Throughout the day, shifts of girls from the College Station TAP organization worked a toll road operation soliciting contributions from passing motorists at the main intersection of North Gate between Ellisons' and the Post Office.

Miss Judy Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mills of College Station, and Miss Pam Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Adams, also of College Station, were in charge of the toll road operation. Miss Mills is chairman

Jan. Graduates

Favorite Pics Due

Seniors graduating in January may bring their Senior Favorite pictures to the Student Publications Office beginning today. Fee for submitting the picture is \$2.00.

The Student Publications office also announced that mailing fees should be paid if the seniors desired their 1962 Aggieland.

COL. HOTCHKISS HERE NOW

1959 Viet Nam Advisor Says U.S. Troops Saw No Combat

By TOMMY HOLBEIN

Battalion Managing Editor
(Editor's Note: Sunday's Houston Post carried a story from the Associated Press stating that the United States is now officially involved in a shooting war in South Viet Nam. The following is an expression of views on the South Viet Nam situation from a former advisor to the Viet Nam Army, who is presently stationed at A&M College.)

Lt. Col. T. A. Hotchkiss, operations officer, Department of Military Science and Tactics at A&M, is one of the few men on the campus who views current developments in South Viet Nam with a personal background of experience.

For 18 months, Hotchkiss was a member of the Military Assistance Advisory Group of the United States, which was formed in 1954 following the Geneva agreements which established North and South Viet Nam. The colonel arrived in Saigon, MAAG headquarters, in October of 1959.

His tour of duty was split between headquarters in Saigon and supervisory work at the only training center for the Vietnamese army located in the country. Hotchkiss was advisor to the advanced training section of the center.

"When I was in South Viet Nam, any officer of United States Armed Forces serving in an advisory capacity was not permitted to participate in operations against communist forces," said Hotchkiss.

"There were special forces troops brought in to instruct the Vietnamese, but they also served in advisory capacities only. If these forces have been actively participating in combat with the Communists, it is something that no one has known about up until this time, he added.

Hotchkiss said the situation might be compared to Korea, in that there is a North and South Viet Nam. The colonel arrived in Saigon, MAAG headquarters, in October of 1959.

terrorist activities increase, people are inclined to expect a full invasion from the Communists.

"Actually, guerrilla activities are the core of the communist effectiveness; these are designed to promote confusion, and if they continue in their purpose as they apparently are going to do, and are steadily as successful in their efforts, they will not launch such an invasion," he said.

"Of course, not all of the terrorist activity can be blamed on the Viet Cong government. There are certain dissident groups within South Viet Nam who are against the present government and particularly the president, who has surrounded himself with loyal and trustworthy but incompetent personnel.

"As the United States pours more and more aid into South Viet Nam, we feel that government should make more reforms and from all indications, it will," he added.

"I am very proud of my little girl, you know. She has never flown a plane before in her life," he added.

The maroon and white Beechcraft, owned by A&M, developed

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Century Study Task Group Ends 'Fact-Finding' Meet

MAJ. GEN. RALPH OSBORNE

Deputy Fourth Army Chief To Speak at Commissioning

Maj. Gen. Ralph Morris Osborne, deputy commander of the 4th U. S. Army, will address A&M's Corps of Cadets seniors during commissioning ceremonies Jan. 20.

The ceremonies are set for 1:30 p.m. in Guion Hall. The commander also will make a liaison visit to A&M on Jan. 19.

Aggie Trying For Place On NCAA Team

Aggie Joe Pompa, '64 education major from Corpus Christi, has advanced to within one step of representing the United States in the international ice-skating championships this July in Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Pompa placed 10th in the recent national NCAA warm-ups, thereby qualifying for the final eliminations sometime this summer in Colorado Springs, Colo. The top finishers in his category, speed skating, will become eligible for the foreign trip and competition.

Teamed with Houston high schooler Linda Combest, Pompa placed second in "pairs" competition. A place in the top ten in the national finals will make the team eligible for the Prague meet.

Pompa, who started skating seriously after becoming attached to the sport at Lake Placid, N.Y., has now competed in around 10 meets. This is the first time he has placed as high as 10th.

In addition to his regular competition, Pompa skates approximately three days per week at a Houston rink, for as much as four to five hours per day.

Should Pompa gain a berth on the U. S. team, he will be the first Aggie to represent the U. S. in international competition since Darrow Hooper and Walter (Buddy) Davis were members of the U.S. 1952 Olympic delegation to Helsinki, Finland.

General Osborne last visited the campus on Nov. 11, when he reviewed the Corps of Cadets.

The officer has a long and distinguished military career. In Korea, he served as the army member of the United Nations' armistice delegation. At the conclusion of the armistice, he directed Operation Big Switch, the prisoner of war exchange program.

His earlier tour of duty includes service with the 11th Field Artillery Regiment in Hawaii, after graduating from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and numerous army schools.

At the time of Pearl Harbor, he was a military observer in England. In 1942, he was assigned to Research and Development Division of Army Service in Washington, D. C., and later became director.

In January 1945, he was assigned to the European Theater of Operations for duty as assistant of staff for personnel in the office of the deputy theater commander.

In May 1945, he was assigned to the Intelligence Division of the Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces in Europe, in June 1946.

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and in August 1945, Gen. Osborne became chief of the U. S. element of that agency under the office of military government.

After graduation from National War College in 1948, Gen. Osborne was assigned as artillery commander of the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington.

He continued service with the Division until July 1949, when he was assigned to the G-4 Division of the Army General Staff.

In July 1952, the general was assigned to Korea as artillery commander of the 53rd Infantry Division where he served until becoming artillery commander of the 11th Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Ky., in December 1953.

Other assignments include commander of XVII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 1955; assistant chief of staff for material development at Fort Monroe, Va.; Chief of staff of G2 of USEARUR in Germany; U. S. commander in Berlin in December 1959.

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Additional Math Requirements Begun for Entering Engineers

More mathematics are scheduled for students entering the School of Engineering.

Dean Fred Benson, dean of engineering, said increasing demands made upon today's engineers have caused engineering schools throughout the nation to raise requirements in both mathematics and science.

Beginning the fall semester of 1962, freshman students entering the engineering curriculum will be expected to begin their math studies with a combined course in analytical geometry and calculus.

This demands that students must have a thorough working knowledge of algebra and trigonometry before beginning the engineering program or be prepared to spend time making up the prerequisite courses, Benson announced in a bulletin to Texas high school superintendents, principals and counselors.

"Students who graduate from high school without this thorough grounding in math should attend a six-weeks term of summer school to take college algebra and trigonometry," he said.

In previous years, the analytical geometry and calculus courses

were not taken by engineering students until their sophomore year. More recently the courses were included in the second semester of the engineering freshman man's studies.

Today the demands in both the general and technical education of a professional engineer requires an earlier understanding of advanced math courses.

Students who do not take the prerequisite courses in high school or summer school before their freshman year may take the work the first regular semester in the engineering school but the extra six hours extends the total credits required to 148 credits for a bachelor's degree in engineering.



Architecture Critique

A "jury" of two practicing architects look over the fourth year design project, "A Civic Center for Bryan," during the second annual Winter Design Critique now in progress in the Division of Architecture. Left to right are Charles Lawrence, design with the firm of Caudill, Rowlett and Scott, Houston, and Tom Shefelman, a professional architect and critic at the University of Texas School of Architecture, the "jury" in the competition; and Bill Leftwich, and Louis Hampton, both fourth year design students.