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Exes Kick Off Annual Fund Raising Drive

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The Association of Former Students held a breakfast at the Triangle Restaurant yesterday morning to kick off their annual fund raising drive.

Contributing speakers were President Earl Rudder, who spoke on "Importance of the Success of the Bold New Program of the Association of Former Students," Dick Hervey, executive secretary of the former student's association, who spoke on "The Association of Former Students and What We are Trying to Do," and Richard Weirus, director of the development fund, who spoke on "Campaigns in

Other Cities and Raised Horizons for the Future."

Campaign chairman Reagan Brown said that "In the next few days, former students and friends of A&M will be asked to invest in a bold new plan developed by the Association of Former Students. This plan is based on a continued program of academic excellence and is designed to help A&M College."

The eventual goal of the Association of Former Students is to provide the college with \$1 million in an unrestricted fund to be used as the college sees fit. This year's campaign is expected to yield \$286,500.00 in unrestricted funds.

The money from this state-wide drive will be used in many ways. The fund for academic excellence which includes supplements to key faculty and staff salaries, faculty research projects, graduate fellowships, faculty staff and department improvement, and funds for the alumni convocation, will receive \$146,000.

The Century Study will receive \$25,000 of this, the opportunity award scholarships will receive \$10,000, the 1962 directory achievement awards will get \$10,000, eight faculty achievement awards get \$1,000 each, the college president and dean's emergency fund receives \$4,500, and \$65,000 will go to an expanded association program.

Wire Review

By The Associated Press
WORLD NEWS

HAVANA — Fidel Castro, in a slashing anti-U. S. attack, declared Tuesday that Washington was trying to destroy the Cuban revolution.

Addressing a mammoth May Day rally, Castro asserted that establishment of what he called a proletarian revolution 90 miles from the United States constituted one of "the most salient and glorious challenges in the world."

LONDON — The Central Treaty Organization CENTO has decided to strengthen the economy of three of its members, Turkey, Iran, and Pakistan, to combat Soviet penetration.

British Foreign Secretary Lord Home announced the decision Tuesday night after the close of a two-day conference of the anti-Communist alliance. Britain is a partner in CENTO with the three nations. Secretary of State Dean Rusk attended the conference as an observer.

U. S. NEWS

WASHINGTON — Legislation authorizing a \$32-million, five-year program of federal aid to educational television became law Tuesday with President Kennedy's signature.

The federal funds are to be matched by educational institutions and nonprofit groups and to be used to provide more educational TV stations.

WASHINGTON — Pierre Salinger, White House Press secretary, is leaving Saturday for a four-or-five-day visit to Russia to discuss information problems. He will also stop in West Germany and the Netherlands.

Telling of his plans Tuesday, Salinger stressed that he was no diplomat and would stick to his speciality, information. He said he has had no indication that he would see Soviet Premier Khrushchev.

FT. POLK, La. — The Army's biggest training maneuvers in the United States this year — Exercise Iron Dragon — began Tuesday.

Its key participants — Texas' 49th Armored Division — rumbled into the piney woods surrounding Ft. Polk to prepare for a 15-day skirmish with aggressor forces.

LA MARQUE — An orphaned 10-year-old girl and a man who watches searchers comb Galveston Bay for his son are the only known survivors of a party of eight who went fishing Sunday morning.

The child is Margaret Elizabeth Smith. When she got in the 14-foot boat she had a mother, father, two brothers and a sister.

Now boats and planes are searching the bay's choppy water in an effort to recover the bodies of her parents.

Requests For MSC Rooms Needed Soon

Requests for Memorial Student Center guest room reservations for football weekends and major events weekends for next year will be accepted all this month according to Mrs. Mozelle Holland, guest room manager of the MSC.

Only one room per family may be reserved for each weekend. Following the May 31st deadline, a drawing will be held to determine who will receive accommodations. Notices will be mailed to each person submitting requests for room reservations indicating whether or not their names were drawn.

Requests not drawn will be placed on a waiting list and persons making requests will be notified at least two weeks before the event if a room becomes available.

TMA Advisors Established By Directors

Establishment of a 15-member Board of Visitors for the Texas Maritime Academy, to be operated by A&M, was announced here today.

The board will serve in an advisory capacity to President Earl Rudder on matters relative to the academy at Galveston.

Dr. W. J. Graff, dean of instruction; Capt. John T. Everett (USMS), designated by the US Maritime Administrator; and Capt. Thurman M. Gupton (USNR), designated by the Commandant, Eight Naval District, are ex-officio members.

Other members of the board, appointed by the board of directors of the A&M System, include: Capt. Neal S. Storter, Brownsville, consultant to the Lykes Bros. Steamship Company, representing the general shipping industry; Emmett O. Kirkham, personal director, Todd Shipyards Corp., Galveston, representing the shipbuilding industry; Russell Briery, marine surveyor, Houston; Rear Adm. S. B. Wetmore, USNR (Retired), Galveston; Capt. Charles H. Glenwright, manager, marine department of Gulf Oil Corp., Port Arthur; Capt. Robert L. Jones, president, Masters, Mates & Pilots Union, Galveston; Judge Peter J. LaValle, Galveston County Judge; Sam D. W. Low, US Collector of Customs, Houston and Galveston; John A. Parker, manager, Employee Casualty Company, Galveston; J. C. Rudd, marine sales engineer, Mobil Oil Company, Orange; Dallas Gordon Rupe, president, Dallas Rupe & Son, Inc., Dallas; and Capt. Wesley A. Walls, marine surveyor, Corpus Christi.

The Development Fund Drive will be carried on in 400 cities throughout the country. The goal is to get for at least three out of every four men giving to the fund.

"Our aim is to provide for the difference between what the state can give and what is needed for a first class institution," Hervey said. "This is the twentieth year of the development fund, and we have just scratched the surface."

The association has received results from Abilene and Austin, where the drive has already been completed.

1,200 FFA Boys Compete Here

Twelve hundred high school Future Farmers of America members from 300 chapters will test their skills in the annual FFA State Judging Contest here Saturday.

John Holcomb, contest chairman and an associate professor in the Department of Agricultural Education, said the FFA teams are the best from the 10 FFA areas in Texas. They were chosen in recent area contests.

Judging starts at 7:30 a.m. and awards will be made at 3 p.m. in Guion Hall. First place teams will then compete in the National FFA Judging Contest in October at Kansas City, Mo., and Waterloo, Iowa.

Holcomb said the contest at A&M has five divisions — livestock, dairy cattle, poultry, dairy products and meats judging.

About 200 School of Agriculture students and many staff members will assist in the events. Supervisory staff members are Doug Wythe, livestock; Dr. Murray Brown, dairy cattle; Dr. Cecil Ryan, poultry; Dr. A. V. Moore, dairy products; and Dr. Gene King, meats.

Administration Asks Student Opinion Poll

ABOUT 200 TO ATTEND

Accountants Meet For Conference

Accountants from several major Texas cities as well as Washington and the New York area have roles on the program of the 15th annual Accounting Conference scheduled Monday and Tuesday.

Between 150 and 200 accountants from all sections of the state are expected to attend the conference, which is dedicated to Thomas W. Leland, who recently retired as head of the Division of Business Administration.

The major objective of the two-day conference is to raise even higher the standards of performance and development of an even finer degree of professional competence.

Speakers during the morning session on May 7 will include Dr. Frank W. R. Hubert, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, who will give the address on welcome on behalf of the College, and Earle Martin of Webb & Knapp, Inc., New York City.

J. Gordon Peterson, director of personnel at Texas Aluminum Company, Rockwall, will give the invocation. Mr. Peterson also will be the speaker at the final session, the luncheon on Tuesday.

R. E. McEam of the Texas Steel Co., Fort Worth, is the honorary conference chairman and will preside as the conference opens.

"Accounting in the Year 2001" is the topic of W. J. Hollenkamp, who will speak during a general session Monday afternoon. He serves as manager of market planning, Data Systems Division, International Business Machines, White Plains, N. Y.

Robert W. Carson To Lecture Here

Robert W. Carson, senior editor of the Product Engineer, McGraw-Hill Book Co., will be the speaker here Thursday night for another in the Graduate Lecture Series.

He is scheduled to speak at 8 p.m. in Room 146, Physics Building, on the topic of "Writing for Technical Publications." The public is cordially invited to attend.

Carson is an engineering graduate of Purdue University and has been associated with McGraw-Hill Co. for most of his professional career. He has written or edited innumerable articles for McGraw-Hill journals on technical discoveries, advances and products.

He joined the publishing firm after serving as an instrument designer in the Weston Electrical Instrument Co.

Although he has spent most of his career in the field of technical writing, he has continued an active role in invention, design and manufacture of delicate instruments and is the holder of various patents relating to electrical micrometers.

Commencement Regalia Set

Graduation regalia for degree candidates in the May commencement exercises has been announced by C. E. Tishler, chairman of the Convocations Committee.

All students who are candidates for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy are required to order hoods as well as the doctor's cap and gown. The hoods are to be left at the registrar's office no later than 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 22.

This is to be done by a representative of the Exchange Store according to Tishler. The Ph.D. hoods will not be worn in the procession, since all candidates for them will be hooded on stage as a part of the ceremonies.

Candidates for the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine will wear the doctor's cap, gown, and hood appropriate to their degree, said Tishler.

Candidates for the master's degree will wear the master's cap and gown.

All civilian students who are candidates for the bachelor's degree will wear the bachelor's cap and gown. ROTC students who are candidates for the bachelor's degree will wear the Class "A" uniform in lieu of academic regalia, he said. Senior boots are optional.

Tishler said that rental of caps and gowns may be arranged with the Exchange Store. Orders may be placed from now until 12:00 noon Saturday, May 19. The rental, according to Tishler is as follows:

Doctor's cap and gown, \$5.25; Master's cap and gown, \$4.75; Bachelor's cap and gown, \$4.25. Hood rental is the same as that for cap and gown. The 2% Texas state sales tax is applicable to these rentals, added Tishler.

Three Questions To Be Answered

By GERRY BROWN
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The college administration requested Monday that the student election commission conduct an informal student opinion poll on three questions of campus interest, according to Johnny Anthis, chairman of the election commission.

In response to this request, all A&M students will be eligible to go to the polls Wednesday, May 9, to vote on the following questions:

1. Would you favor coeducation at A&M?
2. Would you recommend a name change for Texas A&M eliminating "college" and adding "university"?
3. Would you favor maintaining the present compulsory two years of ROTC?

MSC Bridge Committee Sets Tourney Here

The MSC Bridge Committee has announced plans for the second annual A&M Bridge Tournament to be held in the Memorial Student Center Saturday and Sunday.

Registration for the tournament will be from 1-5 p.m. in the Serpentine Lounge.

The tournament will consist of two sessions, one Saturday evening from 7:30 p.m. until about 10:30 p.m., and the other on Sunday morning from 8 a.m. to noon, in Rooms 2-A, B, C and D.

Saturday evening fractional master points will be given, and on Sunday morning full master points and trophies will be awarded.

Students interested in playing in this tournament are requested to sign up in pairs with Miss Black in the food service department. Registration fee is \$1.50. All interested should sign up by Friday, so an estimate may be taken of the number of tables to set up.

In the A&M Tournament held last Feb. 19, the East-West winners were C. P. Conner Jr., and G. C. Priddy. The North-South winners were Gary R. Carey and John W. Johnson.

Johnson and Carey were the winning North-South team in the Region IX Tournament also.

A&M failed to place in the national championship matches.

"Why should it not be significant?" Hall said, "I know perhaps as well or better than anyone else that the administration and the Board of Directors do value student body opinion, which is indicated by their asking us for this poll."

"As far as the results are concerned, the outcome is anyone's guess," Hall stated.

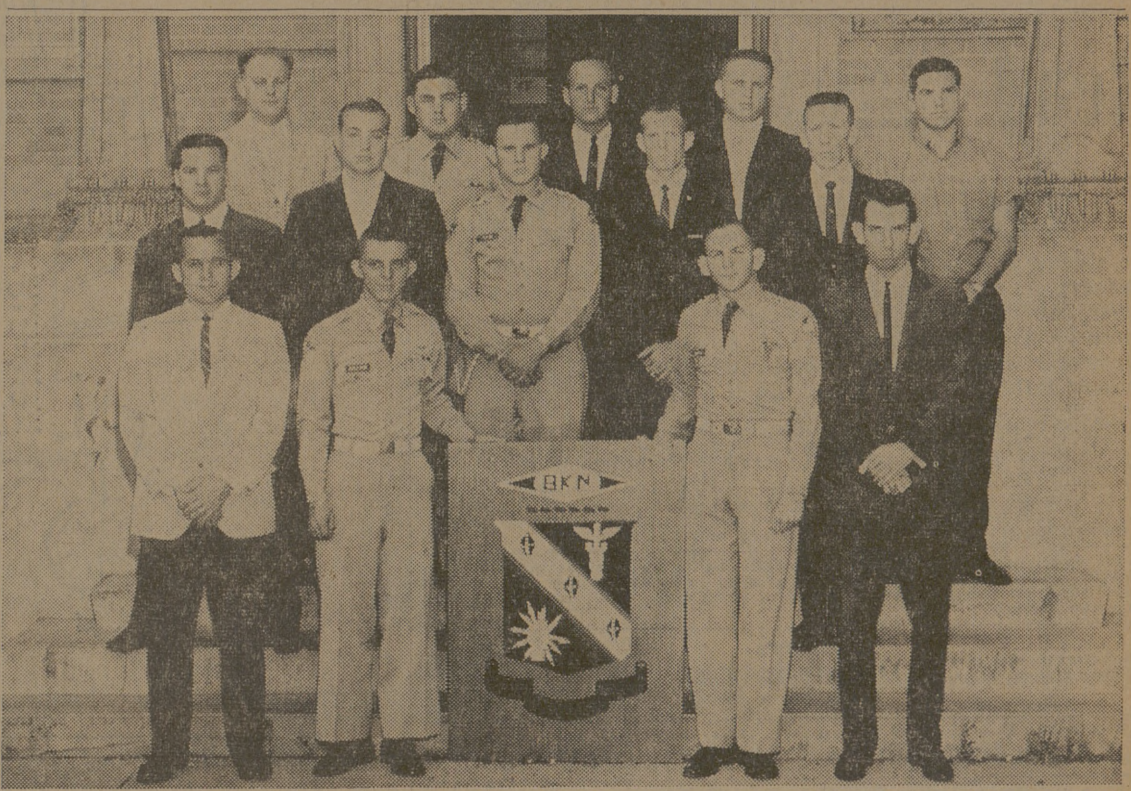
According to Anthis, the opinion poll will be conducted through regular voting procedures. Voting machines will be placed on the breezeway adjacent to the Bowling area of the Memorial Student Center barring inclement weather.

The student election commission will announce the results of the election to The Battalion, Anthis went on to say. The results will then be available to the students.

Students are reminded that college identification cards will be needed to vote.

Also discussed at yesterday's meeting of the student election commission was a recommendation to the Student Senate asking for approval of a change in the present student election campaigning regulations.

The proposed change would eliminate all campaigning by candidates in the MSC on the day of the voting.



A&M Electrical Engineering Students Honored
This group of electrical engineering students has been initiated into the Eta Kappa Nu national honor society in recognition of their high academic standing. Front row left to right, Earl L. Hammerquist of Bryan; Paul E. Gergstrom, Dallas; Larry E. Collier, Corpus Christi; Jerry W. Mills, College Station. Middle row, left to right, Richard E. May, Teague; J. A. Thomas, Texarkana; Dewey R. Tipton, Jacksonville; Ernest L. Ener, Jasper; Kenneth J. Kutac, Seguin. Back row, left to right, Elmer E. Mooring, Texarkana; William T. Barnhart, Temple; John W. Hamm, Houston; Michael D. Spense, Dallas; Salvador G. Santos, Eagle pass. (A&M Photo)