

Aggie - Ex Wins Promotion To Marine High Position

Brig. Gen. Raymond L. Murray, USMC, A&M '35, has been selected for promotion to Major General, becoming one of three highest ranking former Aggies in the history

of the college. Gen. Murray started his career in the Corps when he accepted a commission as a second lieutenant upon graduation from Texas A&M.

A member of the "Old Corps," as the rugged members of the "new" Marine Corps are termed, Gen. Murray served as a model for the fictitious commanding officer of the 2nd Battalion Sixth Marine Regiment in the famous WW II novel, "Battlecry" by Leon Uris. Gen. Murray's nickname in those days, as the nickname of the novel's hero was, "Highpockets."

Gen. Murray commanded the unit, serving as a platoon leader, company commander, battalion executive officer and finally as the Commanding Officer during the great war. He was awarded his first silver star with the Regiment on Guadalcanal and his second such award on Tarawa.

Still serving as commanding officer of the 2/6, Gen. Murray won a Naval Cross on Saipan, awarded for his heroism in remaining at his post, although seriously wounded, and continuing to direct his battalion during the initial assault.

As a Lt. Colonel, Murray landed the 5th Marines at Pusan as the Commanding Officer in the Korean War, and won his third and fourth silver star while commanding the unit. For his outstanding combat record during the December "Break-Out" of the Division, he received his 2nd Naval Cross and the Army Distinguished Service Cross.

Again, fiction writers picked up pens and using the Marine Corps in general and the spirit of the 5th Marines in particular, penned another motion picture. "Retreat Hell" told the story of the break-out of the Division from North Korea. Again, as Commanding Officer, he had the starring role.

During his career as a Marine officer, Gen. Murray has seen duty in such famous outposts as Shanghai, with the 2nd Brigade, and the famed Marine Detachment, American Embassy, Peiping, prior to WW II.

He left Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, June 15, where he had

served as Deputy Base Commander and later as the Commanding General. His new duty station will be Marine Corps Base, Parris Island.

Ag Extension Economist Wins Honor

A Texas home economist, Mrs. Florence W. Low of College Station, has been named president of the American Home Economics Association.

Mrs. Low succeeds Dr. Dorothy S. Lyle of Silver Spring, Md., and will serve through 1964.

The new president is assistant director for home economics with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Mrs. Low helps direct the program development and home economics teaching projects of more than 300 home demonstration agents, assistants and subject matter specialists on the Extension Service headquarters staff.

In her acceptance address, Mrs. Low discussed "Challenges—Present and Future," keyed to the general convention theme: Home Economics in a Changing World—Raising Our Professional Sights.

"The program of this convention recognizes the fact that the revolutionary impact of scientific development upon our way of life is causing a growing gap between this new scientific world and our traditional culture. There is an urgent need for home economics to relate itself to the many changes which are occurring in home and family living if we are to bridge this gap. There is much to be done in order for us to make the greatest accomplishments," Mrs. Low said.

In order to meet today's challenges, the American Home Economics Association has adopted a plan of work, increased dues and adopted a budget. Other areas of special concern of the association, Mrs. Low said, are strengthening home economics at all levels, recruiting top members, the international aspects of the program, and improved methods of interpreting home economics to groups and individuals.

Mrs. Low asked that all states give careful consideration to the association program of work for 1962-64 and use it as a guide for determining specific goals related to the major areas of concern in the state and nation. The organization has 28,000 members.

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Miss Wheatheart Of The Nation

Miss Judy Bradley of Hereford, Tex., the reigning Miss Wheatheart, stands in a wheat field during the current harvest near Perryton. Miss Bradley will reign until the next Miss Wheatheart is chosen at a five-state beauty contest in Perryton Aug. 18. (AP Photo)

Senator Runs His Own Art Gallery

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of the rooms in the Senate Office building suite of Sen. John Tower, R-Tex., looks like an art gallery.

The room contains a number of paintings, one an abstract in blue that looks like a picture of a field of Texas bluebonnets out of focus. All of the collection was painted by faculty members of the University of Texas art department.

The fact that they are there is due to the enterprise of Miss Wendy O'Brien, a Tower employee and daughter of Tim O'Brien, an Amarillo rancher.

A 1960 Smith College graduate, Miss O'Brien knew that artists sometimes displayed their works in public buildings in Texas. She thought the room in which she works, attractive though it might be with the usual government-furnished pictures, could be improved

upon. So, with Tower's approval, she corresponded with art galleries in Dallas and Austin. She was referred to Chairman Donald B. Goodall of the U. of T. art department.

Upshot was the recent arrival of several huge crates bearing the paintings done by the faculty members. The paintings are expected to be on display for several months — unless someone wants to buy one or all. They're for sale, ranging from \$200 to \$850.

Michael Frary, an assistant professor at the university who helped round up the exhibit, painted one of the pictures — a view of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris where Frary studied in 1949 and 1950.

Lending a realistic Texas touch is a painting of a huge oil refinery entitled "Cat Cracker." It is the work of Ralph White who teaches commercial art.

Gulf Coast Official Serves On Faculty

B. I. Boyett of the administrative staff of the Brazosport Independent School District is a visiting faculty member this term in the Department of Education and Psychology.

The appointment was announced by Dr. Paul Hensarling of the department.

Boyett is the president for 1962-63 of the Texas Association of Independent Schools and Supervisors, and he served as the 1961-62 president of the Texas Association of Audio-Visual Education Association.

Boyett is supervisor of instructional services for the school district, which includes the Freeport-Jackson area. The district has an enrollment of more than 10,000 pupils in 16 schools.

He is teaching two graduate

courses. One course deals with the philosophy, organization and administration of supervision of both the elementary and secondary schools. The other deals with teaching methods and such at the secondary level.

He completed his undergraduate work in psychology at Louisiana College and has done graduate work at Stephen F. Austin, Sam Houston State Teachers College and at the University of Houston. He holds the Master of Education degree in administration.

The Division of Instructional Resources which Boyett heads for the Brazosport district has charge of all instructional materials, audio-visual education, libraries and serves in other ways for all schools of the district.

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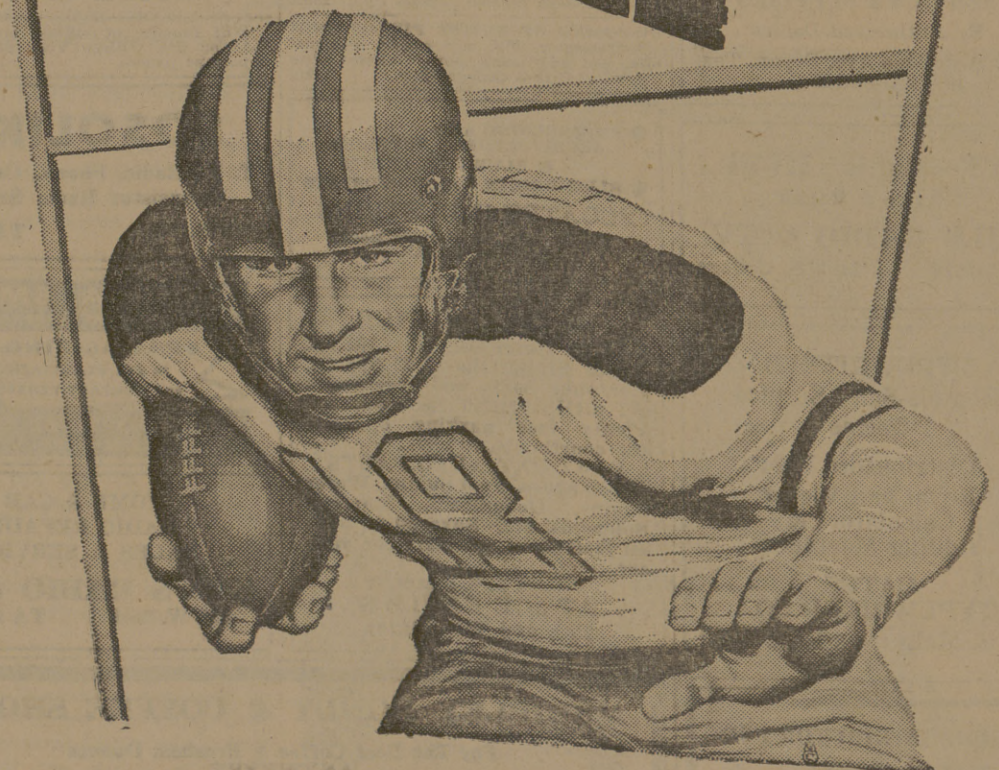
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