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There's No Week Like 'Dead Week' To Give Quizzes

By RON TREAT
"Dead week" at A&M, which comes next week, is supposedly the "calm before the storm" or, to be more specific, the week of rest preceding final examinations. During this week, as the name implies, students are supposed to have no work to do except that of studying for terminal tests.

The actual schedule of this week of misnomer, however, is that most of the instructors will squeeze in one last major quiz at this time because "all of the other profs will be following the rules and honoring 'dead week'."

THE ONLY TROUBLE with this reasoning is that, inevitably, all instructors will make use of it. This leaves the poor student to face a battery of pre-final tests.

Such practices have caused many students to rename the week, "I-wish-I-were-dead week" or "What're-they-trying-to-do-kill-us? week."

All of the happenings surrounding "dead week," however, aren't entirely somber. There are always the graduating seniors to provide amusement.

SINCE FINALS ARE not required of graduating seniors, it is interesting to note the actions and reactions of this jubilant group. Their grades are recorded, their diplomas are waiting and the exes-to-be are fulfilling the lone requirement of their college careers — that of simply going to class.

If you were to stand on some busy sidewalk between classes on a typical day of "dead week," you could easily recognize the guys who are getting out.

More than likely, some will be laughing and talking as they carry their pillows to class while others will be strolling along with their magazines and newspapers carefully tucked under their arms.

ALTHOUGH THERE has been no account of an Aggie's appearing for class in pajamas, it would not be too surprising.

Occasionally a group of guys with bent heads and bloodshot eyes may drag by and, if you listen close, you may hear one of them mutter, "I don't know why I let you guys talk me into going to Uncle Jimmy's — you know I'm not graduating." Another may come back with, "Relax, you have to practice up for next semester, don't you?"

Regardless of the situation, students will probably vote unanimously that "there's no week like 'dead week' at Aggieland."



"... I hate graduating seniors!"

GREAT ISSUES FEATURE

Potter Travelogue Describes India

By GERRY BROWN
Battalion News Editor
"India, Land of The Spectacular," was the subject of a narrated travelogue presented last night in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom as part of the Great Issues Committee International Adventure Series.

Russ Potter, who began his travel film career in 1956, narrated the all-color motion picture in a vivid view into the temples, scenery, past history, future hopes and daily life of the Indian people.

"Anything you might wish to

say about India is very likely to be true," stated Potter as he emphasized the varied cultures and religions which have contributed to the India of today.

Shown in rich color were such famed structures as the Red Fort of Delhi, the Pearl Mosque and Great Mosque of the capital city, the Taj Mahal built by Shah Jahan for his wife, and the fortress of Jodhpur.

The film described the life of the Indian people as it exists in the teaming markets of Delhi, the irrigated plains of the Punjab, the lofty valley of Kashmir, and the tropical coast of Malabar.

During intermission Potter told the audience that legally there is no caste system in India. He went on to say that the system, which exists unofficially however, can be broken down into five primary groups ranging from the Brahmins, or spiritual leaders, to the panchamas, more commonly, the untouchables.

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Two Students Charged In Theft Of Paintings

Two students have been charged with felony theft involving \$2,000 worth of paintings from the Memorial Student Center, as the hunt for the missing paintings continues.

Charged before a Bryan justice of the peace were William T. Roberson, 20, and Jorge Gonzalez, also 20, Roberson is a sophomore from Wilmington, N. C. and Gonzalez is a freshman from Laredo.

The pair signed a statement for Campus Security chief Fred Hickman admitting the theft of four paintings by the artist "Cowboy" Kelly. Each painting is valued at \$500, according to MSC director J. Wayne Stark.

DEAN OF STUDENTS James P. Hannigan told The Battalion last night:

Civilians Plan Celebration For Spring

Preliminary plans for next semester's Civilian Student Weekend, which will feature a semiformal dance and a barbecue in the Grove, were discussed in last night's Civilian Student Council meeting.

The Civilian Student Weekend will be highlighted by the selection of a civilian sweetheart March 30 at the dance.

The slate of civilian sweetheart candidates will be made from sweetheart representatives of the civilian housing areas. Richard Moore, chairman of the sweetheart selection committee, said that the deadline for receiving applications from the housing areas will be March 2.

He also said that second and third runner-ups will be named this year. The sweetheart candidates will be presented to the civilian student body at the barbecue and at the dance. Selection will be made by ballot at the dance.

Students who have civilian activity cards will be able to pick up tickets for the dance and the barbecue from the offices of their respective counselors.

Faculty members and students who did not purchase civilian activity cards will be able to buy tickets for the affairs beforehand or at the doors.

Other discussion at the meeting was about Religious Emphasis Week, to be observed Feb. 18-22.

Don Nuemann, civilian student chaplain, reported that the annual observance will be de-emphasized this year, mostly consisting of services in churches near the campus. In the past, Religious Emphasis Week featured speakers at the Inter-faith Chapel and group discussions in dormitories.

"We are not sure just what will happen to the students yet. Everything will depend of whether or not they are convicted in court. Restitution of the paintings will be considered, too."

Before the pair can be tried they must face the Brazos County grand jury. The intensive investigation of the theft was conducted by campus and local law enforcement agencies aided by Texas Rangers.

THE PAINTINGS, which Roberson and Gonzalez claim they dumped on a sidewalk at the North Gate sometime last fall, are originals by the late West Texas artist "Cowboy" Kelly.

Stark said the students don't remember exactly when they took the paintings from the second floor of the MSC. No one at the center missed the pictures, all outdoor scenes, until shortly before the Christmas holidays.

The MSC director explained that the paintings are often loaned out for exhibit with other Kelly work for art shows.

He said the students contend they abandoned the four scenes after learning of their real values. In their statement the students say they took the pictures to decorate their dorm room.

THE STUDENTS said the pictures wrapped in brown paper and were left on the sidewalk in front of the A&M Photo Shop at the North Gate.

The paintings are 14 inches by 16 inches, framed and behind glass. They are all the outdoor scenes for which Kelly became world famous.

The pictures were presented to the MSC by the Ford Motor Co. in ceremonies attended by the artist eight years ago. Kelly was a "Grandma Moses" type who never painted until he was about 60 years old, Stark said. He said Kelly was noted for his small but exact and clear detail.

Two Faculty Members On Bank's Board

Two members of the faculty have been reelected to the board of directors of the College Station State Bank. Dean of Engineering Fred J. Benson and Agricultural Economics and Sociology head Dr. T. R. Timm will serve for the coming year.

Dr. L. G. Jones, retired head of the Department of Agronomy, and T. W. Leland, former business administration professor, were also reelected to the board at the annual stockholders meeting.

Other board members for 1963 are Harold Sullivan, H. E. Burgess, R. B. Butler, Coulter Hoppes and T. E. Whiteley.

Officers to continue in their present positions are Harold Sullivan, president; R. L. Ayres, cashier; H. Leo Moon, assistant cashier; Lowell F. Jones, assistant cashier and Lois Bethea, assistant cashier.

Melvin Young Ag Education's Top Senior

Melvin Young of Lockhart has been named outstanding senior among students here majoring in agricultural education.

The selection, made by members of the Collegiate Future Farmers of America Chapter, goes to the graduating senior each semester who has the best overall scholarship and leadership record.

Young has been active in collegiate FFA work and is a past president of the A&M chapter. He was a member of the A&M junior poultry judging team twice and a member of the senior team once.

He has served as associate editor of the magazine, "Texas A&M Agriculturist," and is presently the student advisor. He also has served as secretary-treasurer and is now advisor to the Agricultural College Magazine, Associated.

His scholastic accomplishments have earned him a "Distinguished Student" rating for four semesters. He received the School of Agriculture's outstanding freshman award and has been selected to Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges. He also is a member of Alpha Zeta and Phi Eta Sigma honorary societies.

Scholarships won by Young include the Sears Foundation Scholarship for three semesters, the Jesse Jones Scholarship four semesters and the Charles Pfizer Scholarship for two semesters. In 1959 he spent two weeks in Michigan on a Danforth Leadership Training Scholarship and in 1961 he spent four weeks on a Danforth Summer Fellowship.



MELVIN YOUNG

Wire Review

By The Associated Press
WORLD NEWS

WARSAW, Poland — Premier Khrushchev broke a train journey to East Berlin for so-called talks Thursday night with Polish leaders as the Soviet government newspaper warned that a Berlin crisis more dangerous than the one over Cuba may be coming.

Ever since it became known that Khrushchev would attend the sixth East German Communist party congress next week speculation has mounted that the Soviet leader would make it the scene for a new effort to settle the Berlin problem.

His stopover here, his first visit to the Polish capital since 1959, was viewed as a preliminary to a possible East-bloc summit in East Berlin.

U. S. NEWS
BOSTON — The Roman Catholic archbishop of Boston revealed Thursday he raised \$1 million to help liberate prisoners from Cuba.

Richard Cardinal Cushing released a statement late Thursday identifying himself as solely responsible for the collection of the \$1 million.

He said he finally identified himself as the often rumored "mysterious donor" because of pressure from news sources.

The prelate said he also wanted to clarify reports that the gift had come from sources "with which I have no identification."

WASHINGTON — The United States dropped plans Thursday for another probe of Venus and decided instead to try a spacecraft look at Mars.

The major shift in the interplanetary research program results from the unexpected success of the first Venus launch, Mariner 2.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said that, in the light of the mass of data obtained by Mariner 2, it had decided against another Venus launch planned for March 1964.

Instead a somewhat similar craft will be sent to Mars in November or December 1964, and there will be later Venus missions with an improved type of Mariner spacecraft.

Love Allowances Made In Japan

TOKYO (AP) — To travel allowances, housing allowances, food allowances and other amenities contrived to make life easier, something new has been added: The love allowance.

To the 130 employees of the Kyomeisha Musical Instrument Co., in the central Japan city of Ina, the system developed by Muniyuki Kitahara, 31, the company president, works like this:

A male and female worker are attracted to each other and want to go steady.

They so inform Kitahara, who officially announces them to be in love.

Then, for the duration of their courtship each receives a "love allowance" of 500 yen \$1.38 a month.

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MORE THAN 300 MARCH

Aggie Band, Ross Volunteers To Attend Inauguration

Approximately 335 Aggies representing the Texas Aggie Band and the Ross Volunteer Company will travel to Austin Tuesday to participate in the inaugural ceremonies for Governor-Elect John Connally.

Ninety-five Ross Volunteers commanded by Roger John, will serve once again as the honor guard to the new governor. The company has acted in this capacity for so many years that it has almost become a part of the tradition of the inaugural ceremonies.

The Texas Aggie Band, which is no stranger to the inaugural festivities, will have more than 240 members marching in the parade. However, they might be doing so without the direction of the Aggie Band drum major, Ronald Moon.

Moon, who recently broke his arm, may be on the sidelines for the activities. A final decision concerning Moon's participation has not been made, according to band commander, Bill Barnhart.

The band will leave at 10 a.m.

Tuesday traveling by chartered buses, have lunch in Austin, participate in the parade and return to the campus by 5 p.m. Barnhart said.

The Ross Volunteer Company will have approximately the same schedule as the band but will travel in private cars. The company will also be called on to present its precision drill movements during the parade, according to Charles L. Nichols, executive officer of the company.

Texas Congressmen Pledge Oil Depletion Cut Fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — Members of the Texas congressional delegation Thursday promised vigorous opposition to a recommendation for a 5 per cent cut in the oil and gas depletion allowance and a 10 per cent reduction in maximum net profit deduction.

One source said he was told the treasury took the view that the administration must recommend some reduction in the depletion allowance, now at 27½ per cent, in connections with tax revision and tax reduction.

A CAPITOL tax committee source said several treasury proposals have been discussed with committee members. They included oil depletion allowances, but he did not know whether this might be included in the President's tax message.

The position of Texas' two members of the tax writing House Ways and Means Committee which would handle such questions made it plain any proposal to change the oil depletion allowance will have rough going.

Rep. Clark Thompson, Democrat and usually an administration supporter, said:

"MY POSITION is perfectly clear. I favor the present 27½ per cent. There's been no change

in my view on that and there is not going to be."

Rep. Bruce Alger, Republican, said:

"Unless new information is developed showing the allowance to be unfair or inequitable, I would not change my position in support of the present level."

Sen. Ralph Yarborough, D-Tex., said:

"I would hope that we would get more done."

In justification of this sort of approach to problems among allies, Kennedy said "the fact is you can't possibly carry out any policy without causing major frictions."

The President's remarks were made as part of a background briefing for 35 newsmen on Dec. 31 at the winter White House in Palm Beach, Fla.

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Kennedy Statement On Record For More Positive U. S. Role

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy put on the record Thursday his conviction that the United States must be prepared to accept increased criticism from abroad "in order to get something done."

Spelling out a more positive U.S. role in leadership of the West, Kennedy said:

"So I think what we have to do is to be ready to accept a good deal more expressions of newspaper and governmental opposition to the United States, in order to get something done, than we have perhaps been willing to do in the past."

"I don't expect that the United States will be more beloved, but