

# African Nations Favor Not Choosing In Congo

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The president of the United Nations General Assembly, visiting far away Kenya, has made a point which goes directly to the attitudes of the Western powers regarding the Congo.

He said United Nations Congo policy is largely determined by its African members and "they should know the situation and needs."  
They desire, said Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, of Pakistan, "that the unity of the Congo should be maintained on a territorial basis within the boundaries drawn by the former Belgian ad-

ministration."  
An overly loose and partial translation of this attitude is that all of the new African countries have enough trouble without being forced, by politics or economics, to make an eventual choice between two governments in the Congo.

What a good many of the politically more sophisticated African leaders would like to see is some peace within which to work out viable economic arrangements for the continent to overcome the results of arbitrary non-ethnic boundaries established during the period of European colonialism.

Whether some Katangan tribal leaders have asked for U.N. and Leopoldville protection as reported and denied by the contending factions, the reception given to the U.N. convoy between Elisabethville and the Rhodesian border Thursday does suggest a

desire among at least some people for order under the law. The fact that a reopening of the trade route between Elisabethville and Northern Rhodesia was the first concrete action of Moise Tshombe to cooperate in the reestablishment of this order is just one evidence of interest among the Africans.

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### Aggieland Pic Scheduled

Civilian seniors, freshmen and graduate students will have their pictures made for the Aggieband '63 according to the following schedule. Portraits will be made in suits and ties at the Aggieband Studio between 8 a.m.—5 p.m.

- January 9-10 — A-E
- January 11-12 — F-J
- January 14-15 — K-O
- January 16-17 — P-S
- January 18-19 — T-Z

### Bulletin Board

Churches  
Hillel Foundation will conduct services Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Unitarian Fellowship will meet at 8 p.m. Sunday in the home of Allan Schrader, 723 Inwood in Bryan. Mrs. Joyce Luke of the Brazos County Youth Counseling Service will speak.

Wives Clubs  
Aggie Wives Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Brooks Room of the YMCA Building.

Campus-Wide Clubs  
Aggie Players will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Music Hall. Casting will be conducted for the group's major spring production. United Nations Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the YMCA Building. Robert D. Thompson of the Department of Business Administration will speak.

## Looking Back... At This Week

### ROTC Shake-Up Causes Concern

Students and the administration began the week with an effort to interpret a weekend decision by the Department of Defense to eliminate compulsory ROTC at land grant colleges and to reduce enrollment in all ROTC programs.  
President Earl Rudder finally announced Monday that A&M won't be affected by the program because of its status as a military school.

The plan, released by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, calls for an end of ROTC in high schools, elimination of compulsory ROTC in land grant colleges and reduction of the four-year ROTC program in most colleges and universities to two years.  
Rudder's announcement seemed to ease most feelings among students on the subject. In a cross-section poll made Thursday, The Battalion found that a good percentage of the student body is not really concerned about the proposal. Many students said that since Rudder's announcement, there has been little discussion of the change.

### Graduate Exams Made Compulsory

Dean of Instruction W. J. Graff announced Wednesday that the Academic Council has made the Graduate Record Examinations a requirement for graduation.  
The examinations, first given here last year, are currently on a voluntary basis. The compulsory ruling goes into effect in 1964. Each senior takes the examination during the semester immediately prior to his graduation.  
Graff said the primary purpose of the tests was to evaluate instructional programs with other schools and with norms established here in the past. Also most students entering graduate school will be required to have

### Officials Seek Stolen Paintings

The Battalion learned late Wednesday that college and MSC officials are seeking to find four paintings stolen from the second floor of the MSC in late November.  
Two students have confessed taking the paintings, valued at \$500 each. In later developments, charges have been filed against the students. (See Page 1)

MSC Director J. Wayne Stark said the students dumped the paintings on a North Gate sidewalk when they found out how much the pictures were worth. Now the paintings cannot be located.

Stark said the exact date of the theft and the date the paintings were abandoned is not certain.

### Permanent School Fund Gives Over \$21 Million

(Special to The Battalion)  
Texans who created a Permanent School Fund more than 100 years ago left a memorial every Texas tax payer can understand and appreciate today.

In size of the fund and money earned, no other state in the nation has a comparable source of non-tax funds dedicated solely to public education.

The fund provided more than \$21 million of non-tax money for use in public schools in 1962; a sharp increase of about \$3 million more than in 1961.

The increase in revenue is attributed to investment in corporate securities, the refunding of certain treasury bonds and normal growth of the investment account.

Investments in the Texas Permanent School Fund totaled more than \$477 million at the end of November, 1962, and current rate of return from the fund has been increased from 3.38 per cent to 3.51 per cent.

In the past 25 years, the fund has earned in interest more than \$162,000,000, not including money transferred from the principal.

In the next 10 years, interest earned should exceed \$200 million if the current rate of growth and returns continues.

For this period this sum would represent a tax savings of more than 40 per cent of the current total valuation of \$477 million.

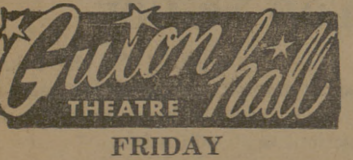
The money will be needed as the scholastic population of the state is increasing rapidly, about 65,000 to 70,000 children each year.

The problem of financing public education is not new since the rapid increase in the number of school children was the object of concern as far back as 1856 when Gov. H. R. Runnels addressed the seventh legislature.



"... I get th' feeling these graduating seniors are rubbing it in!"

Runnels said, "As each year passes, there will be more (children). In the wise provisions of God, to whom He grants no riches, He grants children in abundance."  
The Permanent School Fund has proved to be a rich and profitable legacy from the early Texans, but it is doubtful if even they could have dreamed that by 1972 Texas will have an estimated three million school children to share in the benefits of men who planned to make certain, "equal educational opportunities for all."



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"ISLAND IN THE SUN"  
With Harry Balafonte and Joan Fontaine

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"DESERT RATS"  
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"PORTRAIT IN BLACK"  
With Lana Turner and Anthony Quinn

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"MY FAVORITE SPY"  
With Bob Hope and Hedy Lamar

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"HERO'S ISLAND"  
(In Color)  
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JAMES STEWART  
In  
"FAR COUNTRY"  
&  
"HELL IN KOREA"  
With Stephen Boyd  
STARTS WEDNESDAY

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