

Senate Finance Committee Proposal Includes Funds For TMA Operation

The Battalion

Group Agrees To \$390,000 For Academy

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AUSTIN—The Senate finance committee Monday threw a life buoy to the Texas Maritime Academy, reporting out for debate a bill including \$390,000 for the TMA's Galveston campus.

The House has already passed its appropriations bill, which does not provide for the young academy, now in its first year of operation.

The Senate committee, chaired by Aggie-ex George Moffett of Chillicothe, asked for \$456 million in general revenue funds compared to the House bill which calls for only \$437 million in general revenue funds.

THE SENATE bill could be debated on the floor sometime this week after being placed on the calendar.

If the upper house fails to trim the appropriations bill to correspond to the House's legislation, the two bills will go to a conference committee composed of five members of the House appropriations committee and five members of the Senate finance committee.

The maritime academy's slice of state funds could be deleted either on the floor of the Senate, or in the conference committee.

THE CONFERENCE committee could also cut the appropriation for the TMA in the process of equalizing the two bills, which must then be passed in its final form by each of the houses.

Rep. David Haines of College Station, a member of the House appropriations panel, told The Battalion Monday night that he would not be appointed to the conference group.

He said that there will probably not be an Aggie-ex serving on the conference committee from the House.

Sen. Moffett, however, stands a good chance of being appointed to the committee. Speaker of the House Byron Tunnell will appoint the House members and Lt. Gov. Preston Smith will appoint the senators.

THE \$390,000 awarded to the TMA by the finance committee is \$9,000 less than the school asked for. The figure includes federal help and assistance, which means that the state will be spending slightly less than \$100,000 per year for 1964 and 1965.

Capt. Bennett M. Dobson, superintendent of the academy, had predicted that the senate would put the school back on a firm financial standing after being axed by the House.

Hikers To Meet

In Walton Tonight

Those interested in taking a 50-mile hike April 20 have been requested to meet in the Walton Hall lounge Tuesday at 10 p.m., according to Bob Hood, coordinator of the hike.

The hike, scheduled for the Saturday after the spring vacation and the day before Aggie Muster, is in accordance with President Kennedy's challenge of several weeks ago.

To be included in the discussion is the provision of transportation for those who cannot make the full 50-mile distance.

YR Club Hails Sen. Schwartz In Rules Fight

The Young Republicans Club has elected officers and passed a resolution supporting Sen. A. R. Schwartz of Galveston in his fight for open hearings in the Senate on nominations made by the governor.

The resolution stated:

"Whereas, Sen. A. R. Schwartz, of Galveston, is waging a fight in the Texas State Senate to have open hearings held on nominations made by the governor which must be approved by the Senate.

And, whereas, Sen. Schwartz is encountering undue opposition in this effort by senators who would rather deliberate in secret so as not to be accountable to their constituents for their actions.

Be it hereby resolved that the Texas A&M Young Republicans Club goes on record in support of Sen. Schwartz in hope that the negative action taken by the Senate thus far is not the final word on open hearings of that body."

Sen. Schwartz was also recognized and commended for his support of appropriations for the Texas Maritime Academy. A resolution was proposed to state that commendation and to be voted on at the next meeting of the club.

Elected to offices for next year were Robert Eubank, chairman; Don Rhodes, vice chairman; Mike Hooper, secretary; and David Terry, treasurer.

Wives Planning Party For Spring

Plans for the annual spring Aggie Wives Council party were announced Monday night by council president Mrs. Bernice Smith.

The party will be held Saturday, April 20, from 3-6:30 p.m. at the home of Dean and Mrs. James P. Hannigan, 3600 Old College Road. A weiner roast and games are planned for council representatives, presidents of all wives clubs and their husbands. Sports clothing will be worn.

Wives and their husbands planning to attend or desiring free babysitting should call Mrs. Smith at VI 6-4506 by 5 p.m. Thursday, April 18.

UNIVERSITY' AFTER NEXT YEAR

Name-Change Would Change Ring

In the event of a name change in The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to Texas A&M University, the Class of '64 will be the first graduating class to purchase seniors rings with the name inscribed on them.

The ring committee said the present junior class will have a ring of the old or new inscription if the name-change measure survives legislative action.

B. Hervey, chairman of the committee, said that no other changes will be made in the ring which was initiated by the Class of '64 some 69 years ago.

THE PRESENT sophomore class will be the first class to be required to purchase an university-issued ring, Hervey added.

All previous graduates who desire new rings will be allowed to purchase them if House Bill 755 passes the state legislature, the committee decided.

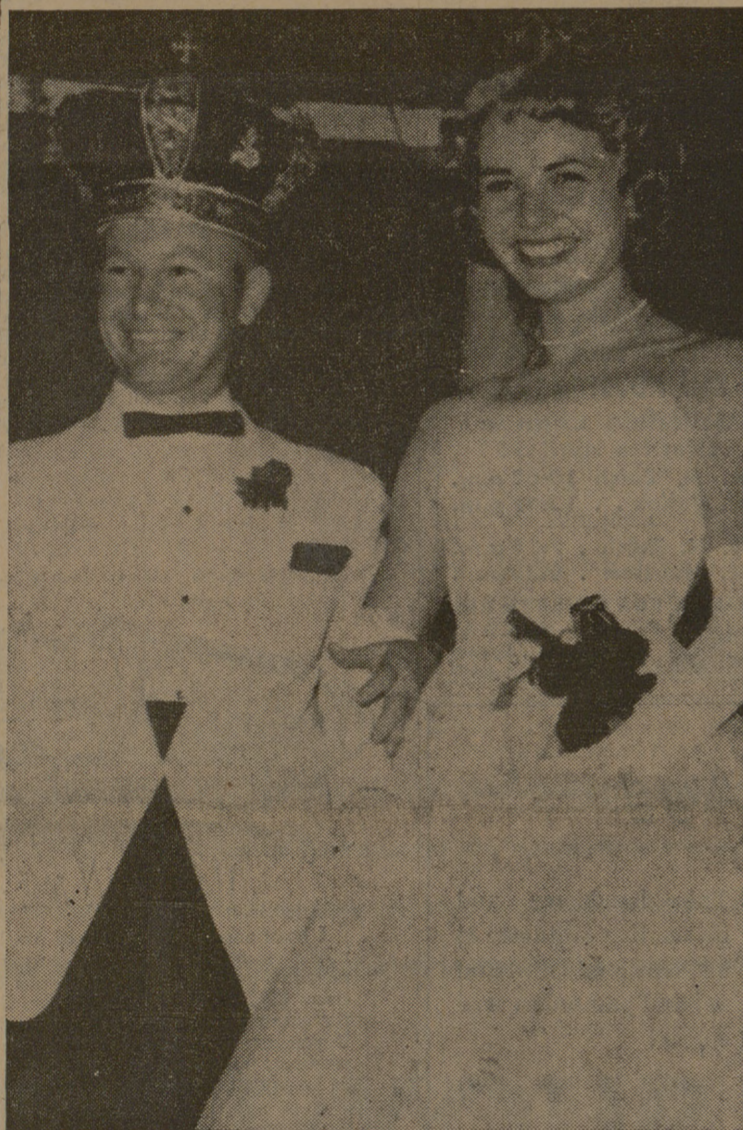
"Ring favors would follow the procedure as the ring," Hervey announced.

Further action on the ring situation must be delayed until a decision is made by the legislature regarding the name change. The proposal is now under study by the House subcommittee.

THE legislature takes positive action toward the proposed change, the ring committee's decisions will take effect beginning in 1964.

Other faculty and staff committee members are H. L. Heaton, Harry Zinn, B. E. McCrory and E. McQuillen.

Student committeemen are Charles Blaschke, senior class president; Paul Dresser, junior president; James Love, sophomore vice president; and C. W. Milliken, chairman proxy.



New Queen Cotton Reigns

Miss Elsie Swendsen of Danevang beams proudly Saturday night after being named Queen Cotton at the 29th annual Cotton Pageant and Ball here Saturday night. The 20-year-old Wharton County Junior College student, was chosen from 154 girls. Nathan R. Boles of Winters was King Cotton.

FOR LAW, PURYEAR

New Locks Put In Two Dorms

Sixty-two new locks are being installed in Law Hall and Puryear Hall and more are on the way. W. H. Parsons, superintendent of the Department of Buildings and Utilities, said Monday that his department is installing all the locks they have in stock and have ordered enough to replace all the locks in both dorms.

"The first 20 locks we replaced were in response to the 20 requests we had received," Parsons said. He pointed out that the work started last Friday.

In recent weeks thieves have entered rooms in the two dorms and taken students' property. The total estimated value of property taken from seven rooms is \$1,000.

THE LATEST of the series of thefts occurred Saturday night, March 30. At that time two rooms on Ramp 9 of Law Hall were entered.

Van Calcott and Robert Shivers, 9-I, reported someone removed a portable typewriter, slide rule, jewelry box and an electric razor. The two estimated the value of the goods to be \$125.

Tim Marcum and Lewis Ellis, 9-F, told of the loss of a stereo phonograph, an electric razor and a slide rule. Marcum said the value of the things was \$150.

The first of the robberies was reported by T. D. Windham and Bill Sturgeon of 5-A Puryear the weekend of Feb. 16. Robert Smallwood of 6-D Puryear reported a theft on the same weekend.

Board OK's A&M Bills; Rejects Third

Changes in two A&M educational programs were approved Monday by the Texas Commission on Higher Education, but a third proposed change was rejected.

The commission, policy-making body for Texas' 20 state colleges and universities, approved a proposed reorganization of college educational programs and a graduate program in veterinary microbiology.

Rejected were proposed graduate programs in agricultural education and education leading to a degree of education degrees.

The commission adopted a staff recommendation that the legislature appropriate state money for colleges' development programs.

A staff recommendation at last month's meeting to ban use of state funds for fund-raising campaigns drew heavy criticism from the University of Texas. The recommendation was revised.

The commission also recommended that state colleges continue to allow private agencies to supplement state salaries of college officials.

Approved a proposed graduate program in drama theatre at the University of Texas.

Referred to the staff proposed graduate programs in engineering, mathematics, physics and government as chairman; elected John [Name] as Texas Tech.

Re-elected Lee Lockwood of [Name] as Beaumont vice chairman; re-elected Rex Baker of Hous-

Recess Schedule Set For Cushing

Cushing Memorial Library will be open special hours during the spring recess, while the branch libraries generally will be closed from 5 p.m. Thursday until 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Librarian Robert A. Houze said Cushing library will be closed at 5 p.m. Wednesday, open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday, closed on Friday, open 8 a.m.-noon Saturday, and closed Sunday and Monday.

The Texas Engineers Library schedule will be the same, except that it will not be open Saturday morning.

Wire Review

By The Associated Press
WORLD NEWS

SANTIAGO, Chile — The left-leaning Christian Democrats emerged Monday as the glamor party of Chilean politics — wooed by President Jorge Alessandri's pro-Western coalition and the Castro admirers on the far left.

The Red-dominated Popular Action Front was snuffed under by Alessandri's mid-road ruling bloc in Sunday's municipal elections watched as a warmup for the 1964 presidential campaign.

The big surprise, however, was the strength of the Christian Democrats. Shying away

from both big blocs, the party racked up a vote that could give it the balance of power in the campaigning already shaping up for the presidency.

TORONTO — The Liberals emerged as Canada's top party in Monday's election, but late Monday night seemed to have only a hairbreadth chance of gaining a majority in the House of Commons.

Liberal leader Lester B. Pearson was assured that his party would replace Prime Minister John Diefenbaker's Conservatives as the biggest party in Commons.

As a result he was expected to become prime minister, but without a clear majority he would have to depend on support from another party.

U. S. NEWS

WASHINGTON — Another draft — Goldwater move was launched Monday and Sen. Berry Goldwater said he is giving up trying to stop efforts to get him into the presidential race but will give no help to such projects.

Goldwater, commenting on the formation of a national committee to draft him as the 1964 Republican presidential candidate, repeated that he is "running only in Arizona" for re-election to the Senate.

"I'm not taking any position on this draft movement," he told a reporter.

"It's their time and their money. But they are going to have to get along without any help from me."

Senior Officers Clarify Exes' Association Questions

Seniors' questions about Former Students Association magnetic tape questionnaires were clarified Thursday in a meeting of the senior class officers.

According to senior class president Charles L. Blaschke, seniors who do not yet know where they will be living and working after graduation should leave these questionnaires blank and return the questionnaires to the Former Students office.

In order to be listed correctly in the Former Students Directory, seniors should notify the association about their address, type of job and place of employment as soon as possible.

Seniors who will not know the answers to these questions before they leave A&M should send the information to the association with their first contribution.

Contributors may specify that their donations be channeled to a particular department or area of need.

Money not earmarked for a special purpose will go into a general fund.

The Former Students Association says that the size of contributions is not important. Main purpose of the donation is to get seniors identified with the association.