

25 Tessies Make Sweetheart Semi's

By JOHN WRIGHT
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Twenty-five girls have been selected to participate in the Aggie Sweetheart semi-finals to be held at Texas Women's University this weekend.

A selection committee consisting of Robert L. Boone, faculty advisor; David Anderson, president of the senior class; Frank Muller, president of the junior class and Richard Dooley, president of the sophomore class, will fly to Denton to interview the girls Saturday morning.

The committee will select 13-15 finalists who will be notified next week.

THIS YEAR the finals will be held on the A&M campus Oct. 13, Harlan Roberts, president of the Student Senate, said Wednesday night.

The finalists will arrive here Oct. 11, have dinner at Duncan Hall, attend Town Hall to hear the Brothers Four and then attend the midnight yell practice.

They will be treated to a picnic

at Hensel Park Oct. 12 and a formal dinner preceding the football game with the University of Houston.

After the game, which the finalists will attend, they will be honored at a formal dance.

The next morning the final selection will be made. The committee's choice will be announced at the Texas Christian University game in Fort Worth.

THE SWEETHEART will be chosen by a 12-man committee consisting of the President of the Stu-

dent Senate, the Corps commander, the president of the Civilian Student Council, the president of the senior class, the social secretary of the senior class, the deputy Corps commander, the vice president of the Civilian Student Council, the chairman of the student life committee of the Student Senate, one wing commander, one brigade commander and two civilian dorm presidents.

The twenty-five contestants for the semi-finals are: Pat Stone, Nursing major from Rosenberg;

Carol Lynne Cater, occupational therapy major from Waller; Johnnie Jones, sociology major from Clarksdale, Miss.; Nancy Gabriel, fashion merchandising major from El Paso; Mary Lynne Disiere, speech education major from DeBerry; Caula Jane Rich, education major from Brookfield, Mo.; Carol Nerels, H.P.&R. major from Beeville; Judy Mary Hawkins, education major from Fort Worth;

Marilyn Louise Godwin, home economics major from Colorado City; Julia L. Miller, foods and nu-

trition major from Ozona; Judy Allen, nursing major from Houston; Susan Kay Bush, advertising design major from Richardson; Sharon Truscott, speech-education-sociology major from Gledo; Susan Berry, occupational therapy major from Austin; Francis Jackson, nursing major from Cameron;

HARRIET Ann Crump, clothing and costume design major from Irving; Carol Crosby, clothing and costume design major from Denton; Martha McKee, nursing major from Huntsville; Bobbie Sue

Stephenson, health and physical education major from Denton; Nancy Beamer, nursing major from College Station; Charlotte Smith, general curriculum major from Alvord; Betsy Larkin, English major from Dallas; Sallye Marie Stapleton, interior design major from Tripoli, N. Africa; Jane Sullins, advertising design major from Crossett, Kansas; Dee Anne Dyke, fashion design major from Karachi, Pakistan, and Vicki Lynn Caster, merchandising major from Bryan.

U. S. Action In Viet Nam May End Soon

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara and Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor told President Kennedy Wednesday they believed the need for major American involvement in South Viet Nam's anti-Communist guerrilla war will be ended by December, 1965.

The White House said McNamara and Taylor, just back from an on-the-spot inspection tour of South Viet Nam, are convinced that the Communist Viet Cong can be licked by the end of next year or that the security forces of the Vietnamese government will be able by then to suppress the Communist guerrillas without outside assistance.

In a five-point statement of American policy, the White House said that repressive actions against Vietnamese Buddhists by the government of Ngo Dinh Diem had not significantly affected the military effort.

THE STATEMENT said, however, there could be an adverse effect in the future.

"The political situation in South Viet Nam remains deeply serious," the statement said. "The United States has made clear its continuing opposition to any repressive actions."

In addition to reporting their judgment that the major part of the U.S. military task in Viet Nam can be completed by the end of 1965, McNamara and Taylor said that 1,000 American military personnel probably can be withdrawn from South Viet Nam by the end of this year. These would be personnel used to train Vietnamese troops.

KENNEDY APPROVED the policy statement on the basis of recommendations received from McNamara, Taylor and Henry Cabot Lodge, the U.S. Ambassador in Saigon.

The White House said McNamara and Taylor gave Kennedy and, later in the day, the full National Security Council, a report that "included a number of classified findings and recommendations." These will be the subject of further review and action.

The basic presentation made by the defense secretary and the chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff was unanimously endorsed by the security council, the statement said.

The security of South Viet Nam was labeled in the policy document as "a major interest of the United States and of other free nations."

Industrial Ed Club Elects Officers At First Meeting

The Industrial Education Club has elected its fall officers in its first called meeting. Those elected at the meeting were Bill Johnson, vice president; Jim Adams, secretary; James Blaschke, treasurer; Bert Thompson, social chairman; Ken Abendroth, parliamentarian; Ron Malone, reporter. David Barkemeyer was chosen as Junior Representative to the Engineering Council. The Senior Representative at this time has not been chosen and will be announced at a later date.

The president, Wallace Johnston, and program chairman, Joe Whitaker were elected at the last meeting of the past spring semester. Johnston said, "I have been very pleased with the response and enthusiasm shown this fall and feel this will be an outstanding year for the club."

The next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m., Room 107, M.E. Shop Building.

L. B. Hardeman and J. L. Boone are co-sponsors for the club.

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OLD, OVERCROWDED CONSOLIDATED GYM
New facilities would be provided by bond sales.

A GROWING SCHOOL SYSTEM

Construction Will Begin Soon If Voters Pass Bond Issue

By JAMES ESTES
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The proposed \$250,000 school bond issue, which will go to the voters Tuesday, could result in a \$375,000 expansion of the facilities of the A&M Consolidated High School.

Proposed additions to the high school are three new classrooms, a library, a language laboratory, and a health and physical education building. The present library will be converted into two more classrooms.

If the bond issue is passed, Superintendent W. T. Reidel said, construction will start approximately 30 days after the election.

Reidel said the program is necessary to take care of increased enrollment and expanded curriculum.

Reidel said, "Enrollment at the high school has increased from 266 in 1958 to 434 in 1963, and is expected to reach 602 by 1968."

THE PRESENT library is not equipped to handle personal work and research, he said.

"Individual research and use of a library is one of the most important parts of a high school education today," Reidel added.

The language laboratory is needed to make use of new methods of language teaching, the superintendent added, and also to handle the high school's expanding curriculum in languages. Three years of Latin and two years of Spanish are presently offered.

"French and/or German will be added next year," Reidel announced.

The present health and physical education building was built in 1941 when there were 88 students enrolled in high school. This facility is now used by 398 junior high students and 434 high school students. This building will be used solely by the junior high students when the new health and physical education building is built.

INFORMATION sheets will be mailed to residents of the A&M Consolidated School District giving pertinent facts about the bond issue.

"In order to continue to provide our children with the best education possible, your School Board urges your favorable vote and support of this bond issue," said the Board of Education on the information sheet.

A surplus of \$100,000 has been accumulated over a six-year period. This money, along with a \$250,000 short term loan and the \$250,000 bond issue, makes up the proposed \$375,000 building program.

THE BOND issue would result in a tax rate increase of eight cents per \$100 evaluation. Valuation for

school tax purposes is 40 percent of market value. To the average homeowner — who has a \$10,000 home — this will mean an increase of \$3.20 yearly over his present school taxes.

Voting will be held in the Junior High School Music Room from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday. Absentee votes must be cast at the Brazos County Clerk's Office by 5 p.m. Friday.

To be a qualified voter a person must have a poll tax receipt or exemption, have property on school tax rolls, reside in the A&M Consolidated School District, and have been a resident of Texas for one year and of Brazos County for six months.

Russian Wheat Deal Meets With Approval Of Growers

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Sentiment in favor of selling U.S. wheat to the Soviet Union appears to be increasing in wheat-growing areas.

However, some objections are being raised.

Humanitarian reasons figure in the favorable opinions as well as the possibilities of profit and of reducing the vast wheat surplus. But some question the desirability of helping the Communist system, which has vowed to overcome the United States.

ALTHOUGH the Soviet Union has not asked officially to buy U.S. wheat, President Kennedy was reported on the verge of approving such a deal.

Leonid Matveev, head of the Soviet Grain Board and chief negotiator in his nation's \$500-million purchase of Canadian wheat, said in Winnipeg, Canada, Wednesday that Russia is not likely to buy wheat from the United States. He confirmed that the Russians

held preliminary talks with American grain dealers in Ottawa, but told an interviewer Russia now feels it has enough wheat to last until next summer.

DESPITE this second Soviet knockdown of a possible wheat deal with America — Soviet Premier Khrushchev said much the same Tuesday — the subject was still very much alive in Washington.

A joint statement by presidents of the Farmers Union in North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Minnesota and Wisconsin said that since the Soviet Union becomes a signatory of the international wheat agreement with the 1963 crop year it would be reasonable to explore the possibilities of sale of wheat for dollars or gold.

"The Farmers Union has historically taken the position that as long as there is hunger in the world we should seek every way to make our abundant production available to the people," it said.

Local Duo Pushes Industrial Growth

By The Associated Press
Local Chamber of Commerce members Hill Westmoreland and Jacob Beal were among touring East Texas businessmen who were guests at a luncheon Wednesday sponsored by the Equitable Life Assurance Society in New York.

The luncheon was part of an East Coast tour sponsored by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. The tour has the purpose of promoting the general growth of industry in the East Texas area.

COLLEGE STATION Chamber of Commerce president Ford Albritton Jr. said the local representatives will be concerned with this area and will split from the rest of the group over the weekend to work on industrial prospects gained during the past year.

Leading the Texas group are E. B. Germany, chairman of the Lone Star Steel Co.; Fred Pool, general manager of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce; and Alf Jernigan, assistant general manager.

At the luncheon, given by the Equitable Life Assurance Society, the president, James F. Oates Jr., said it has more than \$1.5 billion of life insurance in force in Texas.

He said the company also has more than \$215 million invested in Texas real estate and mortgages.

ASSISTING as host at the luncheon was J. J. Fraley, member of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce and Equitable's agency manager in Dallas.

Merle A. Gulick, senior vice president, described the company's exhibit for the 1964 New York World's Fair—a demograph—which gives a minute-by-minute, state-by-state count of the U. S. population.

After the luncheon, the group was taken on a tour of the company's 2-year-old headquarters building at 1285 Sixth Avenue.

Research Group Receives 2 NSF One-Year Grants

The A&M Research Foundation has received two National Science Foundation grants totaling \$101,300 for studies by the Department of Oceanography and Meteorology.

The total includes \$90,000 to support a project titled "Operating Research Vessel Alaminos" and directed by Dr. Hugh J. McLellan. The "Alaminos" is a research ship being readied for the Department of Oceanography and Meteorology.

Research titled "Trace Elements in Antarctic Bottom Sediments" will be supported by a grant of \$11,300. Directing the project is Dr. Ernest E. Angino.

Both grants cover a period of approximately one year, according to Dr. C. R. Sparger, vice director of the Research Foundation.

New ID Cards At Coke Building

Many students have failed to pick up their 1963-64 identification cards, H. L. Heaton, Director of Admissions and Registrar, announced Wednesday. They are now being issued in the Registrar's Office, located in the Richard Coke Building. The old identification card will not be honored after October 8.

The Texas group is visiting financial centers to present the possibilities for industrial development and expansion in East Texas.

FFA Book Pictures Set For Monday

All agricultural education students will have their photographs taken Monday between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the Department of Agricultural Education for the Collegiate Future Farmer of America yearbook. Photographers will be Provine Studios of Houston.

The chapter will provide a picture for the yearbook whether the student decides to buy any or not, said Bill Irick, chapter advisor. These photographs will also be used to aid seniors with their job placements.

Wives and children of agricultural education students may take advantage of this opportunity to have photos made, Irick said, but these photos must be purchased.

Dress for the photographs will be coat and ties, except for corps students whose dress will be the appropriate uniform.

Statistics Course Replaces BA 303; Starts In Spring

The Department of Agricultural Economics has added a new course, Agricultural Economics Statistics 406, for the next semester. To be a four-hour course, it will take the place of B.A. 303 which is now required in the curriculum.

This new course is designed to apply statistics to agriculture. At present agricultural economics students must take a business course which does not emphasize agriculture. By taking Ag. Eco. 406 students will have the opportunity to associate agriculture, instead of such things as mining and industry, with statistics a spokesman said.

Wire Review

By The Associated Press
WORLD NEWS

WASHINGTON — President Kennedy tentatively has decided to permit the sale of American wheat to Russia but wants Republican leadership approval of the move before acting, an administration spokesman said Wednesday.

Before he announces any such decision, the President is expected to invite GOP leaders of both houses to canvass the situation with him.

The administration is reported to have been informed that the Soviets are willing to buy \$150 million worth of American wheat for gold. This was some \$100 million less than previously had been indicated.

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LONDON—A crown prosecutor said Wednesday that Christine Keeler committed perjury and bribed another witness to lie—in an attempt to put a discarded Negro lover behind bars. A male witness at the hearing

Both men were popular, highly respected, church workers and civic leaders.

"IT BROUGHT the town to a stunned, sudden standstill," said A. C. Pape, editor of the Burleson County Citizen.

Pape said he talked to nearly a dozen county and district officials and none of them was aware of any difficulties between the two men.

Between them, they had four children who were classmates at Caldwell High School. A fifth was a recent graduate.

Deputy Sheriff Milton Lewis said, "At this time we assume it was murder and suicide but we have no witnesses to the shooting and must make a thorough investigation before a verdict is rendered."

Deputy Sheriff Edward Ward said the limited evidence indicated that Philip shot first and that the pistol, which was described as .22 caliber, belonged to Philip.

THE JUDGE died almost instantly. Philip died later from a bullet wound while undergoing an operation in Temple.

Officers said Judge Bravenece suffered three shots in the chest. Philip suffered two wounds in the head.

Deputy Ward said that the offices, although blood-spattered, showed no evidence of a struggle preceding the shootings.

Ward said Bravenece's body was lying near his private office, with Philip nearby. The pistol was on the floor. The offices are on the second story of the Burleson County courthouse.

THE SECRETARY was in her office but officers said she did not witness the shooting.

County Clerk John Toupal, 49, said he was the first on the scene — his office is across the hall from that of the judge.

Toupal said the judge's secretary ran into his office and said the judge had been shot.

Toupal said he called the sheriff's office and then started toward the judge's office and heard two more shots.