



## EXERCISE BIG LIFT



READY AND WAITING FOR "BIG LIFT" ARRIVALS  
U. S. Army vehicles wait for personnel scheduled to arrive in "Exercise Big Lift."

## Bad Weather Worries Army As Fog Fouls U. S. Air Lift

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Fog raised problems Wednesday night in completing the vast movement of 15,000 U. S. soldiers from Texas to Germany in Exercise Big Lift. The mist put a damper on earlier hopes of beating planned schedules.

The \$20-million venture is designed to prove American ability to swing a military punch overseas anywhere in perilous time. The fog also had Germans questioning whether a similar weather would prevent rapid reinforcements of U. S. troops here in the event of an emergency. They raised this issue in the light of a persistent theory in Bonn that the big airborne maneuver may be a prelude to a cut in U. S. Army strength in Europe in favor of similar lifts to any future trouble spots.

Seeking to quiet these fears, a high U. S. official said in Washington Tuesday night that Secretary of State Dean Rusk will announce on a visit to West Germany this weekend that the United States expects to keep all of its 250,000 men in Europe.

Forecasters said the Rhein-Main airbase near Frankfurt, destination of all the lift's C135 jet transports, probably would be shut down for jets starting early Thursday.

Globemasters, propeller-driven

planes which can get in under lower ceilings with less visibility, probably will not be able to land at Rhein-Main after 3 a. m., the Air Force said.

There was no forecast on how long the shutdown might last. An Army spokesman said that so far there have been "no problems, incidents or accidents" in the movement of the U. S. 2nd Armored Division soldiers from their landing fields to five depots south of Frankfurt. There they picked up tons of heavy equipment.

By early evening, 70 planes had deposited 4,167 men and 248 tons of cargo.

An Air Force officer reported to newsmen that the over-all airlift may be slightly behind schedule. The schedule calls for landing the full division and supporting elements in Germany by late Friday.

Two other important bases used in the big lift, Ramstein and Sembach, have so far reported no weather difficulties. The airlifted troops are to be used in maneuvers, "fighting" the 3rd Armored Division from Oct. 30 to Nov. 6.

During the 234 trans-Atlantic flights, more than 15,350 troops and more than 500 tons of equipment was shifted from the United States to Germany, a distance of about 5,600 miles. The combat soldiers carried only a rifle, pack and

personal belongings with them.

In Germany they immediately began operating stockpiled tanks, artillery and other heavy equipment. In a few days the 2nd Armored will be ready for a mock nuclear battle with the 3rd Armored division already in Germany.

Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara called the airlift "the first exercise to link up a major U. S. based land force with combat material positioned overseas ready for pickup and use. This capability for rapid reinforcement projects a new magnitude of military responsiveness."

After about two weeks of maneuvers the 2nd Armored will return to Fort Hood, 70 miles north of Austin, with most of them back by Thanksgiving. Plans call for the return trip to be spaced out over 10 days.

Army officers and officials of Military Air Transport Service (MATS) said the airlift went even smoother than expected.

"Planes are 100 per cent on time, there have been no unusual maintenance problems and everything is just fine," said Col. Robert Oliver, MATS mission commander at Connally AFB.

# Policy Report Made Public By Senators

## Issues Committee Clarifies Purpose

Editors Note: The following is a report that was submitted to the members of the Student Senate at the group's meeting of Thursday, Oct. 17. The report was compiled by Lawrence N. Garrett Jr., chairman of the student issues committee of the Student Senate.

The report is being printed in The Battalion with the consent of the Student Senate. We of The Battalion considered this report to be a document that should be of interest to all A&M University students and we are grateful to the Senate for permission to print it.

"Within the past three weeks it has become obvious that a clarification of policy Senate needs to be made. It is in this interest that I make this report tonight on the position of student government on campuses in general, not just A&M.

"I had many sources of information at this university in the form of students prominent in Student Senate during their college career. For information about other campuses, I contacted many prominent campus educators with many years experience. Among them were Dean Hannigan, Dean Graff, and Dean Schesselman.

"All persons interviewed showed almost identical views toward student government. All, for instance, agreed that although student government is usually provided for by the administration, it derives its ultimate authority from the student body itself. Indeed, student government should be a reflection of the student body.

"But we must guard against too much student government. Academics are still our main purpose. Let me remark that here on this campus there is a unique situation. We have many organizations exercising jurisdiction over many separate areas, such as the MSC Council, YMCA Council, Civilian Student Council and Corps Staff.

"In general and on our own campus, every person agreed in both cases that student government should be the oil to reduce friction between student groups. Over-all student government should be a forum for all segments of the campus. Indeed, the membership of our Student Senate vividly shows this function.

"On this campus, some things need more attention from Student Senate. For instance, the apathy toward elections needs to be removed. The only people who run for class-college senators, are, as one put it, the only ones with the "guts and the grades." Certainly grades are very necessary and there is a certain amount of challenge requiring fortitude; but why should anyone with grades and ready to accept the challenge, have to be afraid of something else? That is campus unconcern. Student Senate should contain the top personnel on the campus. More elected representatives should attend meetings with greater regularity and should be held respon-

sible by his constituents. There are things that we intend to work on this year and we invite the wholehearted cooperation of the campus.

"In our situation here we have many more students living on campus than most universities. So here we need a student government that serves definite purposes. To Dean Hannigan these are:

"1. Exercise the authority to be a public forum to investigate, inquire, and to recommend any action to student groups it deems necessary to provide for smooth functioning between groups.

"2. Provide government experience and training for students.

"Dean Graff further clarified that if trouble develops between students and faculty, this then should be handled by the college councils such as the Arts and Sciences Council, Engineer Council, etc.

"The sentiment that Student Senate should and does have the responsibility to inquire into, investigate and recommend to any campus groups, measures it deems necessary to settle differences and ease friction between them, when it is brought to the attention of student Senate through proper channels. This sentiment was echoed by every person interviewed.

"This action will keep different sections of the campus from going at cross purposes, and it will provide for a more unified Student Body. It will help improve and upgrade the campus as a whole."

Lawrence N. Garrett Jr. Chairman, Student Issues Committee, Student Senate

## Texas 4-H Club To Be Recipient Of Youth Fund

About 83,000 Texas 4-H Club boys and girls and their 20,000 volunteer adult and junior leaders will be beneficiaries of \$42,000 raised by the newly created Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation based at A&M University, said R. L. (Bob) Hunt, secretary of the foundation.

Funds raised are used to underwrite state-wide volunteer adult and junior leadership training, to finance the annual 4-H Round-up at A&M, and for other 4-H activities.

Hunt said the foundation traces its origin to the old Texas 4-H Recognition Committee initiated by H. E. Burgess of College Station in 1953 as an informal group of business and professional executives seeking to solicit financial support for the 4-H Roundup.

"The foundation seeks to win friends and funds for the 4-H movement and assist in extending club membership to an even greater number of Texas youth," Hunt said. "Club members engage in one or more of 142 subject matter projects, from raising and exhibiting a fat steer to money

## Vote Commission Heralds Officers For Coming Year

Shelly Veselka, William Monier and Frank Muller, Jr., were elected officers of the 1963-64 Election Commission Tuesday in the Memorial Student Center.

Veselka was elected chairman, Monier, vice chairman, and Muller, secretary.

Also discussed in the 30-minute meeting were plans for filling the vacancy of Early B. Dennison as social secretary of the Sophomore Class. Dennison was elected last year in the Spring election but failed to return for the fall semester.

The first election concerning the commission will be the Freshman elections on Dec. 11. Filing for an office will be held in the Student Affairs Office in the MSC Nov. 18-26. The preliminary elections will be held Dec. 4.

## SCONA IX Plans Year's First Meet

The Ninth Annual Student Conference on National Affairs will hold its first general meeting of the year Sunday for all SCONA members and freshmen who have indicated a desire to become members, at 3 p. m. in Rooms 3B-3C of the Memorial Student Center.

Conference chairman Russell Huddleston said a selection of those freshmen present will be made for the various committees, and has urged all those who wish to work to attend.

## A&M Boasts Campus U. N. As 48 Nations Represented

On United Nations Day Thursday it might be worth noting that A&M University almost has a U. N. of its own.

Three hundred fifty-six foreign students, a record number, are enrolled this year, and they come from all over the world, said Robert Melcher, foreign student advisor. Seventy-six of them are new students.

Ninety per cent of the foreign students are majoring in agriculture and engineering, Melcher announced.

The 195 foreign graduate students make up almost one-sixth of the total enrollment in the Graduate College, said Dr. Wayne Hall, Graduate dean.

Pakistan has the largest student enrollment, with a total of 55 students here, Melcher stated. Mexico is second with 48 students and India, third, with 47 students. Forty-eight countries are represented. In this group there are 48 married students whose wives are with them here.

They have organized their own clubs and associations, such as

Chinese Students Association, Pan American Club, Pakistani Students Association, Indian Students Association, Arab Students League and United Nations Club.

Melcher, who has worked with the foreign student program six years, aids the students in their work here.

## Kiwanis Club Sets Second Lunch Sale

The College Station Kiwanis Club will conduct its second box lunch sale of the football season prior to the home game with Baylor Saturday.

The fried chicken lunches will be on sale from 10:30 a. m. until game time, a club representative said.

Sales locations will include Highway 6; across from the A&M Consolidated School; Farm Road 60 and the traffic circle.

As before, the proceeds will be used to aid various projects and organizations in the College Station area.



Dorm Football Sign Contest Winner of freshmen. Money for the contest, sponsored by the Student Senate, was donated by Varsity Barber Shop. The outfit, located in Dorm 14, is in its first year of operation and is composed primarily

## Brazos County Campaign Head Nemed Here

Mrs. A. V. Moore, 205 West Brookside Dr., Bryan, has been named chairman of the 1963 Christmas Seal Campaign, to be launched here Nov. 15 by the Brazos County Tuberculosis Association.

The appointment was announced today by Mrs. H. H. Williamson, President of the TB Association. In a statement emphasizing the reasons for the choice, she said, "During the coming year, more than ever in the past, our counter-attack against disease will focus not only on TB but on the entire spectrum of RD—respiratory diseases, the disorders of breathing. When we realize that this group of ailments is the fourth largest killer in the United States, it is obvious that a tremendous job is waiting to be done in addition to our continuing campaign to wipe out TB.

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