

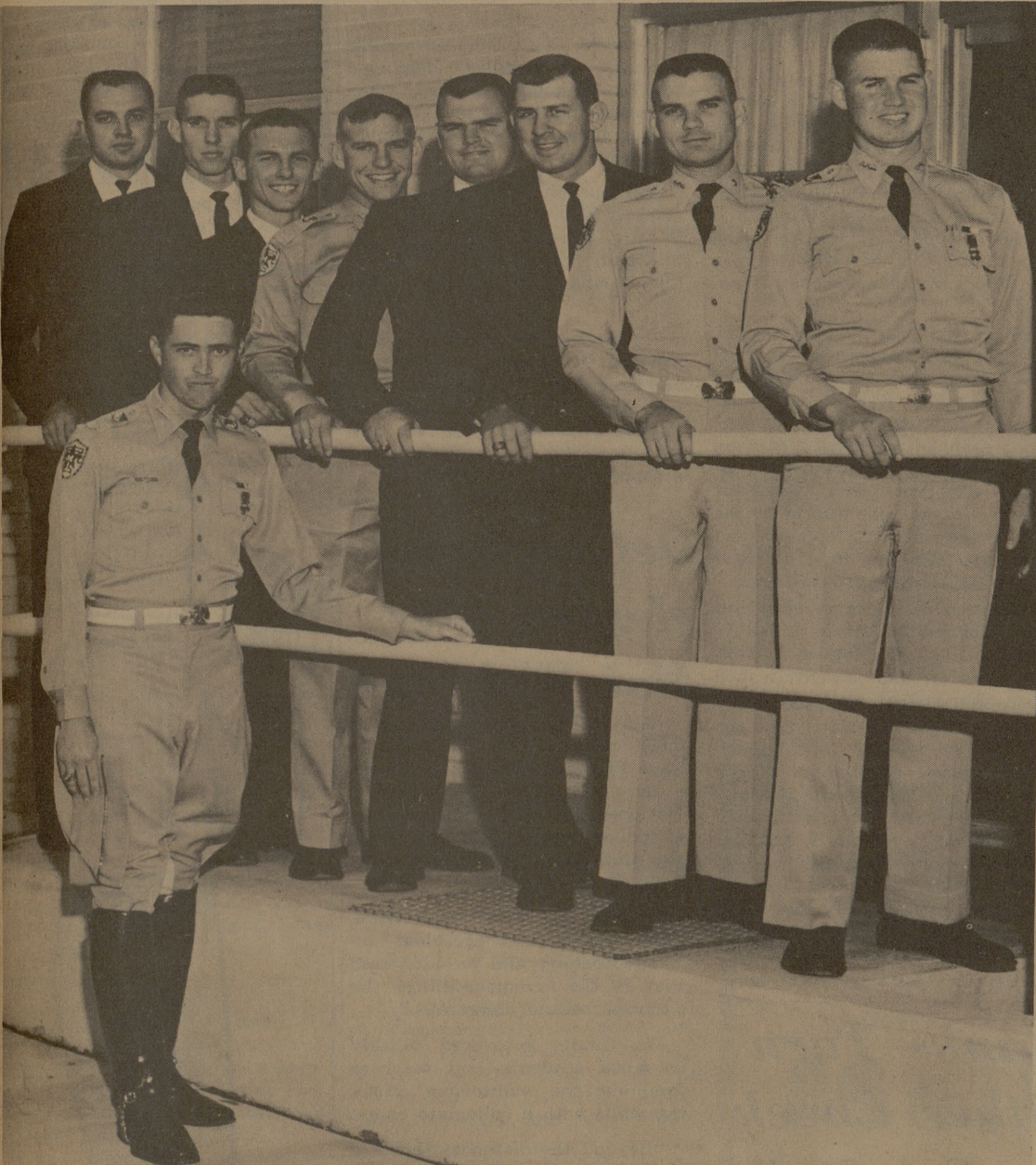
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KING COTTON KASKEY WITH COURT  
Court members; Supak, Chaney, Conner, Smith, McClung, Bartek, Adams, Fuchs.

## King Cotton Selected For Annual Pageant

### Events To Honor Cotton Production

A&M University's King Cotton for 1964 is Kindred P. Caskey of Weslaco, a senior in plant and soil sciences. Caskey will reign over the 30th annual Cotton Pageant and Ball April 4, the year's social highlight at the university. The event honors cotton production, still the state's king cash crop.

The student is the son of Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Caskey of 1011 Indiana in Weslaco.

Members of the A&M Student Agronomy Society, sponsor of the pageant and ball, selected Caskey on the basis of his activities, leadership and high grades.

The society also selected eight members of King Cotton's court.

THEY ARE James Supak of Coupland, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Supak; Bill Chaney of Sherman, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Chaney; James Conner of Izoro, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Conner; and Roland Smith of Lawn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lance L. Smith.

Others are Roy McClung of Seymour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. McClung, Sr.; James Bartek of Temple, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bartek; David Adams of Wills Point, son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Adams; and Jim Fuchs of Ballinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fuchs.

CASKEY IS a Distinguished Student, social secretary of the pageant and ball, a major in the Corps of Cadets, and a member of Phi Eta Sigma and Alpha Zeta honorary fraternities. He was chosen top junior last year in the Department of Soil and Crop Sciences.

The pageant is set for 7:30 p.m. in Guion Hall, followed by the Cotton Ball in Sbisba Hall.

A feature of the pageant is selection of a queen and eight members of her court from more than 150 young ladies representing colleges, universities in the fashion and art fields.

### Agronomy Student Involved In Suit

Stanley Murff, an A&M junior agronomy student, has been named as co-defendant in a \$41,000 damage suit filed by Joe Carter of Bryan.

The suit, filed in Bryan's 85th District Court, seeks damages for medical expenses and injuries suffered by Carter's wife, Bernice, in a three-car accident last October 7.

In the suit, Carter contends his wife's injuries are permanent. They were the result of an accident involving Mrs. Carter, Murff and a third driver, Mrs. Benola Jones of Crockett, at the intersection of Highways 6 and 21. Mrs. Jones is the other defendant.

### Folk Singer To Appear Friday In Town Hall Performance

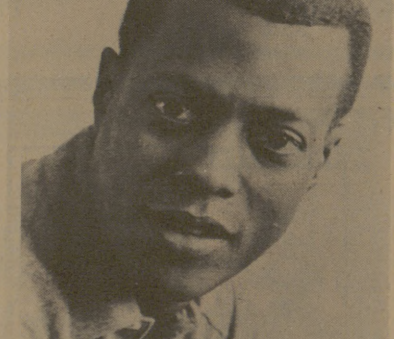
Leon Bibb, one of America's finest ballad and folk singers, will be on the A&M University campus at 8 p.m. Friday for a Town Hall appearance.

Now in his 30's, Bibb launched his musical career when he was cast in the Rogers and Hammerstein production of Irving Berlin's "Annie Get Your Gun."

After this show, he joined a touring company called "Finian's Rainbow," and later was cast in the Kurt Weill-Maxwell Anderson musical hit, "Lost in the Stars."

He appeared in a straight acting part in "Flight into Egypt," and then worked for two seasons at New York's Phoenix Theatre.

In 1961 Bibb appeared in England for BBC and is scheduled to



LEON BIBB

## 'Incapabilities' Receive Blame For Drop-Out

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third part in a series of four articles concerning the A&M Corps, its organization, problems, administration and its future.

By RAY HARRIS  
Battalion Staff Writers

A school's "raw material" might be said to be its new students. The freshman at A&M University, whether he likes it or not, is becoming the center of attention. Some students and administrators believe that at least part of the reason for such a great number of freshman drop-outs the first semester of this year was that a percentage of the new students actually weren't capable of doing college work.

Until recently, said James P. Hannigan, dean of students, any student in the upper three-quarters of his graduating high school class was admitted without question and those in the lower one-fourth were required to take university entrance exams.

FOR THE past three years A&M has been requiring those students in the lower one-fourth of their high school class to take "college board" exams such as those used in many colleges and universities throughout the nation today, said Hannigan.

Since college board exams were initiated, said Hannigan, about 200 more students each preceding year were not allowed admittance for the fall semesters of those years. That is, 200 were rejected the first year of the testing program, 400 the second, and 600 this year.

In reply to the belief that as a state supported, land grant school, students should not be rejected admittance, Dean Hannigan cited the fact that these students are permitted the chance to prove themselves during summer sessions or the spring semester after university graduation has reduced student enrollment. The University, said Hannigan, simply cannot afford to build its teaching and physical facilities around enrollment figures which include many students who are not "college material" and drop out of school. There will not be in the near future a strict "cut-off" score on the college board exams as in other schools, said Hannigan, but new students will continue to be screened.

FROM interviews with the bulk of those new students who dropped out of school Hannigan determined three main reasons were behind freshmen drop-outs:

A. The students simply were not capable of doing college level work.

B. Students did not like Cadet Corps life.

C. Some students served in one of the services prior to entering the Corps as a "fish" and did not like the "military" life at A&M.

Many administrators and students believe the new student entering college today is quite different than students who began their college educations ten years ago.

### Harvard Prof Slates Lecture At Grad Series

Dr. Lawrence E. Fouraker, A&M graduate and now a Harvard University professor, is getting out in the field. A&M University Graduate Lecture at 4 p.m. Friday in the Architecture Auditorium, Graduate Dean Wayne C. Hall announced.

"Potential Changes in the Role of American Business Management" is his subject.

Fouraker has been a lecturer and professor in the Graduate School of Business Administration at Harvard since 1961.

The Graduate Lectures, which are open to the public, bring to A&M outstanding men from many fields of study.

Native of Bryan, Fouraker received a B.A. degree from A&M in 1947 and a year later received the M.A. degree.

He served as an instructor at the University of Wyoming in 1948-49 and completed doctoral studies at the University of Colorado in 1951.

Fouraker then joined the faculty of Pennsylvania State University and remained there until 1961.

### Today's Thought

A nation may be said to consist of its territory, its people, and its laws. The territory is the only part which is of certain durability.

—Abraham Lincoln

## Arts, Sciences To Choose Faculty Advisory Council

Ballots in the selection of a seven-member Faculty Advisory Council in the A&M University College of Arts and Sciences will be returned by 5 p.m. Tuesday.

The ballots were distributed Wednesday to the 240 fulltime faculty members of the College of Arts and Sciences by an election committee headed by Professor Sam Hoyle.

Four councilmen will be elected as representatives of an area of study, such as the natural sciences, and three will be elected at large. All faculty members may vote in each of the races.

ORGANIZATION OF the new advisory council started several months ago with the first meeting finishing in early April.

"I think it is going to be a working organization, and I am keenly interested in working with this group," Frank W. R. Hubert, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences said.

The nominees: School of Business Administration (one to be elected), William A. Luker; the natural sciences (one to be elected), Lawrence Dillon, George Martin Krise and Vance Moyer; the humanities (one to be elected), John Q. Hays, Harrison E. Hieth and John M. Skrivaneck; the social sciences (one to be elected), Donald G. Barker, Herbert H. Lang, Haskell Monroe, John J. Treacy and Walter A. Varvel.

THREE MEMBERS will be elected at large. The nominees in-

clude Garland E. Bayliss, Edward C. Breitenkamp, William J. Clark, Thomas E. Comfort, Edwin Doran, Jr., Frederick R. Duke, Joe S. Ham, A. F. Isbell, Harry P. Kroitor and Thomas L. Miller.

Serving with Hoyle on the election committee are Professors Richard Ballinger and Melvin Eisner.

The bylaws of the Advisory Council call for elections each October with a three-year term of office.

THE MAN ELECTED this month will start terms of office

Nov. 1 with a drawing to determine who will have one- two- and three-year terms.

The council, under terms of the bylaws, will hold open meetings and shall advise the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences "on matters of significant interest and importance to the faculty of the college, and it shall make recommendations to him on matters that will enable the College of Arts and Sciences to fulfill to the highest degree its educational role within the university and to the people of Texas."

## Saigon Wealthy Leisure Class To Join Anti-Communist War

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — Maj. Gen. Nguyen Khanh said Wednesday he intends to purge his government and pitch Saigon's wealthy leisure class into the anti-Communist war in a drive for total mobilization.

The premier-strong man's declarations were bad news for thousands of influential Vietnamese draft dodgers who have carried on as usual here while other Vietnamese and Americans died in combat.

"It is difficult to admit that there are two Viet Nams—one fighting in the countryside, with Saigon feasting every night," Khanh told newsmen. "In the

fight against communism, all must participate."

"AS YOU have seen, my generosity professor, will present an The morale of the army is higher than before Jan. 30" — when Khanh seized power in a bloodless coup. "The men will fight if they see their leaders with them. This is what I mean by total mobilization."

Officialdom of his regime got this warning:

"We have decided to purge the government machinery. We will not hesitate to shoot or give life imprisonment to those who have been harmful to the people and have not awakened" to the total mobilization plan.

## Soviets May Risk Relations By Keeping 2 U.S. Airmen

MOSCOW (AP) — The United States told the Soviet Union Wednesday their warming relations will be jeopardized if the Soviets continue to hold three U.S. airmen shot down in Communist East

## Fish Drillers Seek Repeat Of LSU Title

A&M University's Freshman Drill Team tries for its 3rd championship in as many years Saturday in the Southern Invitational Drill Competition at Louisiana State University.

The freshmen returned with the top trophy in 1962 and 1963.

The meet includes 12 teams from five states with the Military Science Department of LSU serving as sponsor.

"We're going down there to retain our honors," Calvin Reese, advisor to the A&M team, said.

Something new this year for the 35-man all freshman unit is 12-inch steel bayonets on their drill rifles.

The team, commanded by Cadet Richard W. Grossenbacher of 139 Millwood, San Antonio, won third place honors recently in Purdue University's competition involving 18 teams from several states. The Texas Aggies also participated in a drill competition at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base near Tucson, Ariz.

## Wire Review

By The Associated Press  
WORLD NEWS

MOSCOW — The Russians launched another sputnik Wednesday to study the earth's radiation belts. It was No. 26 in the Cosmos series of satellites. The first Cosmos satellite was launched in March 1962.

The government news agency Tass said the equipment aboard the satellite is functioning normally.

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BONN, Germany — Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's Cabinet decided Wednesday that West Germany will contribute half a million dollars toward maintaining the U.N. force on Cyprus.

Germany. But there was a quick hint the Soviets may risk it.

Soviet authorities in Germany turned down a new American request that they release one of the three — the injured Lt. Harold W. Welch of Detroit — for return to U.S. control.

The U.S. warning encompassed Welch, 24; Capt. David I. Holland, 35, of Holland, Minn.; and Capt. Melvin J. Kessler, 30, of Philadelphia, whose unarmed jet reconnaissance plane was shot

## Mrs. Rudder Honors Wives At Reception

Mrs. Earl Rudder was hostess Wednesday morning to approximately 60 guests and members of the A&M Newcomers Club at the annual spring coffee honoring wives of newcomers to the faculty and staff in the Birch and Assembly Rooms of the Memorial Student Center.

Serving in the receiving line were Mrs. Rudder, wife of the president of A&M University; Mrs. Everett Glazener, president of the Newcomers Club; Mrs. Garland Bayliss, president of the A&M Social Club, and Mrs. Fred Benson, Mrs. Robert G. Cochran, and Mrs. Don Young, the sponsors for Newcomers.

Mrs. William T. Gordon registered the guests. Presiding at the coffee table were Mrs. C. H. Samson and Mrs. H. O. Kunkel, both past presidents of Newcomers, and Mrs. Clark Munroe, program chairman, and Mrs. Allen Porter, neighborhood coffee chairman.

A centerpiece of pink carnations and candy tufts in a silver urn decorated the serving table.

## Instructor's Wife Dies Of Injuries

Mrs. Beulah Pantalion, 42, wife of Master Sergeant Charles A. Pantalion, a military science instructor at A&M, died Wednesday afternoon at Brooks Army Medical Center, near San Antonio.

Mrs. Pantalion died of injuries suffered in a 2-car collision in Bryan March 8. She was airlifted from St. Joseph's Hospital to Brooks last week.

Funeral arrangements are pending.