

Growing Pains

Texas A&M students are already feeling the squeeze of an increased enrollment. Students who eat in the cafeteria feel it while they wait in long lines to be served, especially at noon.

Students who visit the Memorial Student Center coffee shop during the morning rush hours feel it as they search for a place to sit.

But perhaps even more than these, students who park their cars on campus feel the squeeze while hunting for a parking space near their dormitories.

Parking lots are full this year that have been half-empty in years past. Students who have complained before because they could not park right next to their dormitories have changed their attitude. They are now unhappy because they must sometimes park nearly half way across campus.

Campus Security officials admit the situation is tedious, but they also remind students that there are more parking spaces on campus than cars.

The "Hempstead" and "Navasota" lots, so called because of their nearness to these two communities, are never full. It cannot be said, therefore, that there are no parking spaces on campus. There are plenty, but some are in rather inconvenient areas.

No one can be blamed for the shortage of convenient spaces.

Certainly the University, or administration, is not responsible, because in other years the parking facilities have been adequate. The lot behind Law Hall, for example, was just slightly more than half full almost all of last year. This year it is packed.

Campus Security is not responsible. They have done everything they can to find parking spaces for students—by moving graduate assistants to a special area, by reserving Guion Hall lot for day students, by shifting Hart students to the Dorm 12 lot and finally by advising other students of the "Navasota" and "Hempstead" parking areas.

An increased enrollment housed primarily in the central and northern sections of campus has caused the shortage.

Texas A&M is experiencing this year what other schools have faced for several years. The A&M enrollment had not increased since 1946 until this year, and with this increase will come many problems.

While little relief can be provided the parking problem this year, the University should explore various solutions to apply as the enrollment continues to rise in future years. Possible solutions include:

1. Build more parking area near the center of new and proposed dormitory sites.

2. Paint parking lanes in all paved lots to insure maximum use of space.

3. Prohibit on-campus freshmen from bringing cars to school.

The parking situation is simply a growing pain, a pain Texas A&M has needed for nearly 20 years.

We welcome this growth, but we realize that our facilities must likewise grow. If not, this university will have a perplexing problem in very few years.

Detour Dilemma

For many years both Texas A&M and College Station had a problem with the dangerous Farm Road 60 railroad crossing.

Finally this summer construction was begun on an overpass that will eliminate the nuisance and danger.

Upon its completion, the overpass will be a luxury to A&M personnel, students and visitors who have used the old, blind crossing for years.

During construction, however, the railroad crossing produces another problem—the detour.

We realize that a detour is necessary for construction on the overpass to be completed, and College Station residents, A&M students and personnel will have to bear with the highway department until it is finished.

But while the detour is being used, protection and direction should be provided either by Campus Security or the College Station Police Department during the 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. rush hours when traffic is heavy.

The city and the university need temporary assistance.

Adjournment Fever

The men and women who write the country's laws aren't being fooled by the relentless, midsummer-like heat that is plaguing the capital. They know autumn is almost here and they are acting as if they'd like to get out of town.

Symptom No. 1 of adjournment fever: Within three legislative days both the House and the Senate passed a bill carrying \$46.88 billion for the armed forces, by far the largest money measure of the year.

Symptom No. 2: Congress snapped a five-month deadlock over state or federal control and sent President Johnson the bill he wants to clean up the nation's waterways.

Symptom No. 3: The Senate was poised to bury its differences on immigration policies and pass a bill that would end the 41-year-old national quota system — and establish a quota for the Western Hemisphere.—The Associated Press.

Glenn Dromgoole: Campaign Questions

CADET SLOUCH

by Jim Earle



"I never realized A&M was so friendly—you're the fourth guy who wanted to be my roommate!"

Lani Presswood

Beauty And The Aggie

The month of September brings with it many things. It brings the opening of school, football season and autumn leaves. And it also brings that cherished national institution—the Miss America Pageant.

Once again this year we were treated to a two-hour look at fifty of the most shining examples of American womanhood. It opened with the parade of states, made more authentic this year by the elimination of representatives from the large cities.

Then the annual rigamarole of introducing judges, getting a speech or two over with and boring the audience with a couple of tuneless songs followed. If memory serves, the first of the lengthy Toni commercials interrupted at this point and then the show's first bit of drama was unveiled in the presence of Bert Parks' announcement of the ten finalists.

Now just what Bert does the other 364 days of the year I'm not quite sure of but he's become a fixture at this event and the proceedings wouldn't seem authentic without him now.

Anyway, he revealed the ten lasses still in the running and naturally the overwhelming majority of the girls that registered with me were eliminated. How the judges could have left out Miss Hawaii I'll never know but as Max Schulman says, I digress.

The girls ran through three events, swimsuits, evening gown, and talent. None of them looked too bad all dressed up or in their beach attire either, although many of us agree I think, that's it's about time for the pageant to start installing bikinis to keep up with the times.

This left the talent com-

petition and as usual there was a pretty good variety of acts. There was a piano number which didn't exactly bring the house down, an unusual interpretive dance, a dramatic skit and several songs, ranging from classical to earthy.

There was a disappointment here, however. Nothing in these talent shows has quite the impact of an apparently operatic songstress who jumps without warning into a pop number and winds up by belting out some brassy tune with the accompaniment of body-english. These are usually show-stoppers, but nary a one turned up.

After all this I decided that Miss Mississippi was the only choice they could make and thus she surprisingly was chosen one of the five finalists. She and four competitors smoothly glided to the forefront and then the most distasteful part—to me—of the whole affair began. Each of the girls is forced to come up with an immediate answer to a somewhat insipid, impromptu question.

Actually, they were a little better questions this time than in years past but still some were more difficult than others and the whole process seems like a shallow, unfair basis for a decision.

With this nonsense out of the way, the winner was narrowed to four, three and then two girls—Miss Mississippi and Miss Kansas. You couldn't help wondering what was going through their minds as they smiled at each other.

As everyone knows by now, the nod went to the girl from the Sunflower State and she swept down the aisle with Parks' familiar rendition of "There she

Gov. John Connally erased a big question mark in the minds of Texas Democrats last weekend when he announced he would seek a third term as governor in 1966.

His announcement ended the political guessing game as to whether he would ask for reelection or oppose Sen. John Tower for the U. S. Senate.

Following three hours on the heels of Connally's announcement was Waggoner Carr's entry into the Senate race.

Another state Democratic figurehead, Lt. Gov. Preston Smith, said he would also seek reelection, resolving any doubts of a Smith-Carr duel for the Democratic flag-bearer against Tower in next year's election.

Then Monday Crawford Martin, secretary of state, said he would run for attorney general in 1966, a position he lost to Carr in 1962.

So in two days, state elections began to take form, and some of the clouds were removed from the picture. However, several questions still remain:

1. Will Sen. Ralph Yarborough, whose U. S. Senate seat is not up for bid until 1970, decide to oppose Connally for the governor's chair?

The more liberal wing of the Texas Democratic party, including the AFL-CIO, has

urged the senior senator to challenge Connally in 1966.

Connally, regarded as a moderate-conservative Democrat, and Yarborough have not enjoyed the best of friendship in political circles for quite some time. Indeed, it was President Johnson who drew them close enough together for a unified party attack in the 1964 elections.

2. Who will oppose Carr in the Democratic primary? The most likely opponent is Congressman Jim Wright of Fort Worth, a solid Johnson backer, and a supporter of repealing Section 14-B of the Taft-Hartley Act (state right-to-work laws.) Carr has been an avid supporter of the right-to-work clause.

3. Should Wright enter the race, political observers ponder, would President Johnson give him solid backing? Sen. Ralph Yarborough and other liberal forces would quite likely support Wright.

Carr, considered a moderate, has been a strong member of the "Connally team" and would probably receive Connally's blessings if the governor takes a stand.

4. Who will replace Carr as attorney general? With Martin, another strong Connally backer, already in the race, other candidates can be expected to enter soon if they plan to wage a strong campaign.

Among the most-mentioned candidates likely to oppose Martin are:

—State Sen. Franklin Spears of San Antonio, a liberal Democrat, who has said he is interested only in reelection to the Senate or election as attorney general.

—Houston District Attorney Frank Briscoe, who said this week that he is considering either the attorney general post or a seat in Congress.

—John Hill, Connally's Harris County campaign manager, and a moderate-conservative.

—Dallas District Attorney Henry Wade, another Connally friend, who has reportedly been interested either in the office or a federal judgeship.

—Congressman Jack Brooks of Beaumont, a liberal, who faces a tough race against Congressman Clark Thompson of Galveston under the new redistricting law.

With party primaries still more than seven months away, next year's elections are already shaping up into what should be an interesting, "off-year" campaign. A year from now, there could be some surprises.

People In The News

By The Associated Press
WASHINGTON—John H. Glenn, America's first man-in-orbit, is off on a good-will tour of Europe with the best wishes of President Johnson.

"Wish I was going with you," said Johnson when Glenn and his wife, Annie, dropped by the White House Thursday before setting out on a government-sponsored tour.

TAIPEI — Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg, chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, arrived in Taipei today for a two-day visit to Formosa.

He was accompanied by a congressional group headed by Rep. Chet Holifield, D-Calif., chairman of the Joint Atomic Energy Committee of the U.S. Congress.

LONDON — Dancer Rudolf Nureyev wrenched his right ankle Thursday when he skidded during a rehearsal for the Royal Ballet's film production of Romeo and Juliet. Nureyev, who was born in Russia, was in considerable pain but completed the rehearsal.

CHICAGO — The Rev. Richard F. Morrisroe, a young Catholic priest critically wounded a month ago in Hayneville, Ala., is being treated at Oak Park Hospital.

He was flown here Wednesday from Alabama. Jonathan M. Daniels, an Episcopal seminarian from New Hampshire, was shot and killed in the attack.

A medical spokesman said that Morrisroe's "prognosis seems to be good."

By Charles M. Schulz



NEWS BRIEFS

By The Associated Press
Pakistani Troops Violate Cease-Fire Agreement

NEW DELHI, India — Pakistani troops violated the India-Pakistan cease-fire in two widely separated places, the Indian defense ministry charged today.

The ministry said in a communique that Pakistani troops crossed into the Indian controlled part of Kashmir in the north sector Thursday, a few hours after the cease-fire went into effect and that in the southern sector, Pakistani rangers attacked an Indian police post.

Gemini 5 Space Twins Get 'Lost' Over Africa

KEEKEROK, Kenya — American astronauts L. Gordon Cooper Jr. and Charles Conrad Jr. lost themselves in a tiny plane over Africa Thursday.

They were flying from Nairobi over the floor of the Great Rift Valley for a visit at Kenya's Keekerok game lodge with President Jomo Kenyatta. Cooper took over the Aztec's controls, announcing it was the first thing he had flown since Gemini 5, in which the two orbited the earth for eight days. Soon they were buzzing buffaloes in the desert scrub. Then, roaring up after the chase, Cooper announced he was lost.

Senate Passes Intact Foreign Aid Measure

WASHINGTON — A virtually intact \$3,143,000,000 foreign aid appropriation, last of the year's money measures, has cleared the Senate after just one day of debate.

A bipartisan 59-21 vote Thursday night approved the bill after administration forces beat back a barrage of amendments that sought to trim it. Only one reduction was made, and that amounted to only \$50 million.

The bill now goes to a conference committee to compromise the few differences between the versions passed by the House and Senate for the 1966 fiscal year, which started July 1.

The Senate bill is just \$142 million less than the amount voted by the House two weeks ago and is \$127 million beneath the aid ceiling imposed earlier when Congress passed the foreign aid authorization bill.

Red Guerrillas Push War In South Viet Nam

SAIGON — Communist guerrillas overran an outpost, shelled a district capital and ambushed Vietnamese relief forces in an area about 290 miles north of Saigon, reliable sources said today.

During the fighting near Que Nohn a U. S. Air Force F100 was shot down by ground fire, but the pilot was rescued, U. S. military spokesmen said. They had no details on the ground action.

Reports of the fighting came from local informants who said the Viet Cong overran an outpost defended by government troops five miles south of Bong Son, the district capital.

Sealab 2 Makes Deepest Descent To Ocean Bottom

LA JOLLA, Calif. — Aquanaut M. Scott Carpenter and Wallace T. Jenkins have descended to 253 feet in the deepest ocean drive yet at the Sealab 2 underwater living project.

Two previous attempts to make deep dives had been postponed and apparent trouble with a depth gauge required the aquanauts Thursday to stop short of their goal of 266 feet. Their previous record was 234 feet.

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