

Reserve Work Nets Professor Commendation

Lt. Col. O. D. Butler, who has commanded an Army Reserve artillery battalion here for more than 14 years, this week received the Army Commendation Medal in ceremonies at Bryan's Army Reserve Center.

Brig. Gen. Clifford M. Simmang, commander of the 420th Engineer Brigade, presented the medal to Butler, head of the Texas A&M animal science department. Butler lives at 700 Thomas St.

The citation referred to Butler's record of training for a 10-year period starting in 1955. His battalion was evaluated as the best among the 90th Division's artillery components during annual active duty in 1963, 1964 and 1965.

This enviable record was made possible, to a great extent, by Col. Butler's most careful and constant supervision, masterfully applied military knowledge and dynamic leadership," the citation reads.

Butler commanded the 4th Battalion, 19th Artillery of the 90th Infantry Division, Texas' own Army Reserve Division. Division commanders included Maj. Gen. Earl Rudder, president of the Texas A&M University system.

Fabel To Address Indian Celebration

Dr. Ludwig Fabel, a visiting professor of foreign language and politics at the University of Houston, will speak Saturday at India's Republic Day Celebration.

Fabel's talk is set for 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

Shankararayan Ramchandran, president of the 80-member Indian Student Association, said Fabel has served as consulate general for West Germany in the United States and Canada, served as an advisor to the Chinese Nationalist government, and headed a rehabilitation mission in China.

Documentary films about India will be shown and winners of painting and essay contests in Bryan-College Station junior and senior high schools will be announced. Ramchandran said the association will award books and paintings of India to winners.

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FAST-RISING ENTERTAINER

Roberto Luis Gonzales of Santiago, Chile, freshman architecture student, is gaining popularity in the Bryan-College Station area with his singing and guitar. He likes French songs best, but sings and plays a large variety, including surf and Latin tunes.

Chinese New Year Brings Grad Gift

A graduate student received a present on the eve of the Chinese New Year from the United States Post Office Department.

David Yang of Taipei, Free China, was informed that photographs taken of his wedding banquet in August had been found.

Most of the credit belonged to Postmaster Claude I. Bakewell of St. Louis, Mo.

Bakewell tracked down the owner of 100 pictures which had somehow become unpackaged in the mail. Yang forwarded the prints to his wife, a graduate student at the University of Indiana in Bloomington, but they never arrived.

Bakewell explained in a letter to Dr. Howard Furr, civil engineering professor at A&M, that he noticed a car license number in one of the pictures. The Texas Department of Public Safety identified Furr as the car's owner. Furr, a guest at the wedding banquet, quickly identified the pictures.

Post Office tracers instigated by Yang turned up nothing. He had about given up hope when Furr called him Thursday night—the Chinese New Year's Eve—saying the pictures had been found.

"It was remarkable work by Mr. Bakewell," Yang grinned. "The news was just like getting a present for New Year's."

Chilean In Folklore Society Proves Popular Performer

Roberto Luis Gonzales grinned broadly and quipped, "I'm the only Latin boy in the Folklore Society."

Like many other organizations at A&M, the folklore folks like the way Roberto strums the guitar and sings.

A slender native of Santiago, Chile, Roberto has become so popular in the Bryan-College Station area during his freshman year that he has begun to charge a talent fee for performances.

He is a member of a trio which performs weekends at Briarcrest Country Club in Bryan. With Danny Miller of Bryan on the drums and Douglas Moreno of Panama at the organ, Gonzales pleases the audience with his singing and guitar.

The architecture student has some unique ideas about architecture and art in general. He is aiming for a degree in planning and design. After that he plans to work for a Texas architecture firm a year or two before forming his own company.

"I hope to have my artistic activities on the same level by that time," Roberto confides. "To me, art is an expression of nothing. I like for people not to be able to understand my singing. There are too many Communists and French and rare people like that in Chile to understand it, anyway."

The 21-year-old Chilean is understandably articulate. He took 10 years of English at the American School of the Holy Cross in Santiago. He's also studying freshman English at Aggieland.

Roberto also could qualify as a language arts student. He speaks the native Castilian of

Chile, Italian, Spanish and a smattering of French.

His favorite subjects here are drawing, music and physical education. He admits to shortcomings in mathematics, calculus and trigonometry.

The black-haired, brown-eyed singer is well known as an entertainer in Santiago, having performed in night clubs and on television and radio. He has waxed records for a small company and also composed songs.

"Most of my songs are ballads and poems," he said. "Some of

my better songs are 'My Little Baby,' 'Remembrance of My Island' and 'Baby, Come Dance With Me.'"

Roberto reminisced about his own combo in Santiago.

"I had this group, 'The Truenos' (the thunder that makes the lightning for about four years," he explained. "We entertained a lot at the beautiful arts, a type of reunion, with poetry and singing in candlelit rooms."

Roberto's guitar is an antique flamenco model handed down by his grandfather.

"I have been playing three years," he said. "I was the things my uncle did with left hand as he played and practiced all day at home for a time. You can make better with lower strings on a flamenco guitar."

Roberto obviously has a grasp about economics and law of diminishing returns.

"Three people make a combo," he remarked, with a chuckle. "When you too many in a group, the goes down and you never

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