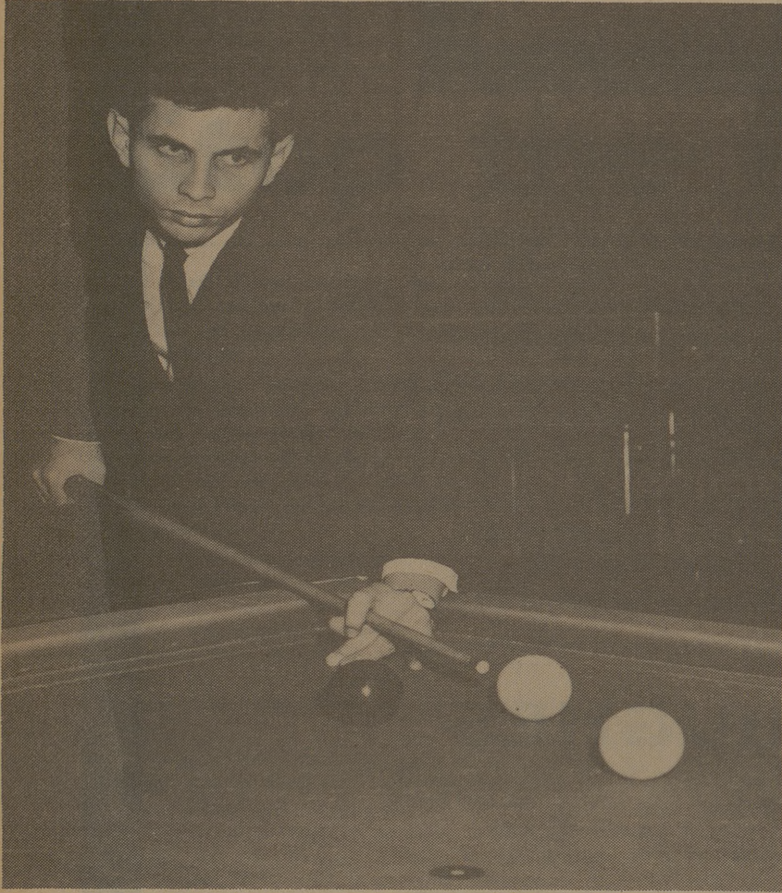


Pool Shark Compared To Matson



IT'S LINEUP TIME

Leo Montalvo, a senior mathematics major from McAllen, lines up a three-cushion billiard shot in the Memorial Student Center games room. The 22-year old Montalvo is a top student who aspires to teach in college.

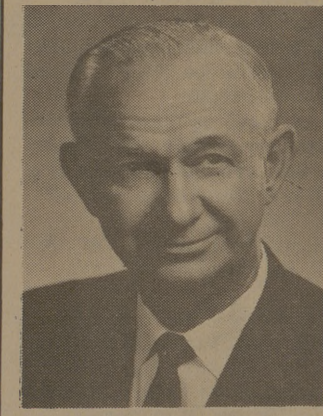
Leo is no lion, but he's a shark with a cue stick. An admirer put it another way. "Leo is to billiards what Matson is to putting the shot." The metaphors refer to Leo Montalvo, a 130-pound cue-stick artist who is ruling champ of the Memorial Student Center Games Room. What the 5' 6" Montalvo lacks in size and strength, he makes up with confidence, concentration, a good eye and practice aplenty. His self-appointed coach, Ed Bloese of College Station, noted that Leo recently scored 25 points in 36 innings of three-cushion billiards. "That's quite an achievement," Bloese remarked. "When you

consider that Willie Hoppe, one of the greatest players in history, averaged slightly better than 25 points in 25 innings, it's excellent." A serious student of the game, Leo keeps an accurate record of his scoring average. He is equally serious in the classroom. Last semester, he posted a 2.47 grade point ratio on a 3.0 system. The 22-year-old senior mathematics major admits that his background of math is helpful in billiards. "If you have a good conception of geometry," Montalvo explained, "it helps you determine the angle the ball will take on a shot. Execution is the big thing. You have to score in clusters... it's hard to win scoring a point an

inning. "There is an adage about letting your opponent make his own points," the McAllen native continued. "I don't leave the easy shot for my opponent. I play it safe when I'm ahead, take chances when I'm behind." Leo attracts a gallery when he shoots, but his concentration is so intense he hardly knows anyone is present. Montalvo has done well in two years of playing billiards. Last weekend, for the second year in a row, he finished second in the regional Association of College Unions Games Tournament, losing in the finals to Maurice Reese of Tulane University, 25-23. Leo lost no sleep over his weekend setback. He's hitting

the books to catch up. It's his ambition to do graduate study and teach mathematics in college.

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Food Service Director Says Only Best Used In Mess Halls

By GUS DeLa GARZA
Battalion Special Writer

How good is the food served by the dining halls? Fred W. Dollar, food service director, explained Wednesday that only top quality, nationally-known food items are purchased for and consumed by Texas A&M students in the dining halls.

Dollar said the Food Service Department has established rigid quality standards against which food items are tested. Items purchased must meet top grade storage, cooking and taste tests to meet the rigid quality controls demanded. If the food items fall below the quality line, then the item is rejected immediately, Dollar emphasized.

All food items are bought on a competitive basis, Dollar pointed out. Bids on food items are accepted only if these items meet the established quality line or are above the line, he said.

"All schools don't do this. If we don't have several bids on one item which meets our standards, then we search for more sellers," Dollar remarked.

"We search constantly. We want sellers to compete against our quality line to seek out only the best items. For instance, last fall we had only one supplier for one item; now we have four brands of the same item in competition."

Dollar noted that certain items are not bought by brand names. Non-brand items are bought on government specifications. Meats are non-brand names which meet the United States Department of Agriculture requirements.

"USDA inspected meats are bought a week before, shipped by the seller the following week and used the next," Dollar said. Frozen foods are bought the same time as the meats, he added.

Few items are supplied which the average person never sees on the grocery shelf. Family sizes of canned foods are never used, Dollar said. Canned foods are bought by institutional sizes — gallon lots.

All our canned items come from nationally - known packers, Dollar added. Competition among sellers of canned items is fierce.

He pointed out that when the sellers of tomato catsup were bidding, one bidder edged out its nearest competitor by the difference of one cent per case.

Dollar pointed out that some salesmen argue that since their companies handled only high quality items they can't afford to compete on a quality bid basis with other companies.

Dollar said he counters that argument by telling the salesman it's their companies' mistake to sell a quality item on a non-competitive basis or a fixed price.

"We as buyers are not out to buy mistakes," he added.

Why all the fuss on demanding seller competition and bids pitted against the Food Service Department's quality line?

"If we didn't use competitive buying, the students would be paying 20 per cent more for what they receive."

Reserve Company Awards Citations

Certificates of appreciation were presented to Texas A&M President Earl Rudder, Bryan Mayor Jack Conlee, Ford D. Albritton and Joe G. Hanover at the Army Reserve Center in Bryan Monday night.

Brig. Gen. Clifford M. Simmang, commander of the 420th Engineer Brigade, presented certificates at a muster of the brigade headquarters company.

Citations from the Fourth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, referred to cooperation of A&M, Bryan, the Texas Highway Department, of which Hanover is assistant district engineer, and Albritton Engineering Corporation in allowing employees to take leaves of absence to fulfill training obligations.

The 420th attends annual active duty for training two weeks each summer, has occasional Sunday drills and makes several weekend trips for weapons firing.

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