



## Fish Runoffs Set Thursday

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Casting over 950 votes in the Memorial Student Center basement, the Texas A&M freshman class elected eight positions Thursday.

The two candidates with the greatest number of votes were selected as runoffs for president, vice president, secretary-treasurer, and social secretary. There was a tie for fifth position on the election commission.

Gerald Geistweidt (299 votes) and Joe M. Spears (247) were the top candidates for president.

For vice president, Richard J. Hodge (189) and Richard James Reese (117) will face the runoffs.

The last two executive positions had wider margins: for secretary-treasurer, Robert Nelson Stevenson (219) ended with Alan Thompson (165); for social secretary, James Jim St. John (206) placed with Paul Hilliard Edmonds (161).

Each of the four executive positions will be decided in a runoff election Thursday.

A series of equal numbers flirted with the final outcome of election committee members. Bruce A. Gilchrist (351), Michael Douglas Mueller (344), Lawrence Foxworth (75) and Richard Garrett (75) received the first four places.

Thomas Harper and Charles Gary tied for the fifth position, with 72 votes each.

That write-in votes carried much weight in the election was noticeable: Foxworth, Garrett, Harper, and Gary were not on the original ballot.

The freshman race for student senate turned closer than competition for the preceding positions. They were: Frank Montalbano (268), James Benton Edwards (265), Barry Scott Farber (229), and Philip Randolph Frye (224).

Jack Myers, election committee chairman, was both disgruntled and perplexed at the outcome of the election.

He said the election committee had been hoping more than 37 per cent of the fish class would vote. This was the figure set last year.

The vote totaled 40 per cent this year.

He added a puzzled note about the write-in votes.

"827 votes were shown on the voting machine recorders," he said.

"Subtract this from the total 950 and you get 123 write-in votes. This is an unusual record."

## Revival Features Two Missionaries At First Baptist

Missionaries from Brazil will feature the Youth Revival this weekend at the First Baptist Church, the Rev. Lloyd Elder, pastor, announced.

Paul Bellington will relate exciting adventures in the Amazon jungles. He is a former pastor of Truitt Memorial Baptist Church in Dallas.

A native of Missouri, Bellington was educated at William Jewel College in Liberty, Mo., and the Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth. He taught in the Evangelism Department at the seminary after serving as a Dallas minister.

Mr. Bellington also will have a role in the revival services. Services are planned at 7 p.m. Friday, followed by a full schedule Saturday and the regular Sunday services.

A youth conference will be held from 9:30 til 11:30 a.m. Saturday. The youth supper is set at 5 p.m.

## Services Set For Miss Jo Chancey

Funeral services will be held for Miss Andrea Jo Chancey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar J. Chancey of 307 Fidelity St., at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Memorial Funeral Chapel.

Miss Chancey, 20, was found dead Wednesday in her Houston apartment, a victim of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Her roommate, Miss Elinda Plantt, also 20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Plantt, of 206 Fidelity St., remains in critical condition at Ben Taub Hospital in Houston.

Miss Chancey is survived by her parents, her paternal grandmother, Mrs. W. B. Chancey of Houston, and her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Moss of Wellborn.

Her father is a senior technician in the Oceanography Department at A&M.

Miss Plantt's father is employed by the food services department at the university.



ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

SCONA delegates discuss problems of Europe and the U. S. in one of eight roundtables Thursday.

## Peace Corps Still Deferable

The recent military call-up of two Volunteers from their overseas posts in no way alters the Peace Corps, status as a draft-deferable service.

Charles Butler, the agency's college recruiting director, said this week Peace Corps duty continues to be considered as "service in the national interest" by the majority of the nation's more than 4,000 draft boards.

He said, however, that increased military manpower needs have forced some draft boards to be less liberal in issuing deferments to cover the two years of Peace Corps service.

"The drafting of the two Volunteers came as no surprise to anyone, including the men involved," Butle said. "Both went

overseas knowing they had appeals pending and aware they might have to return to the United States for induction if those appeals were denied."

The two were Phillip J. Wagner, 24, of Felton, Calif., a Volunteer in Peru inducted into the army last month and now in basic training, and Fred S. Lonidier, 24, who returned from the Philippines this past week.

Butler said both Wagner and Lonidier had 1-A classifications when they began Peace Corps training. They are among 35 Volunteers sent overseas by the Peace Corps with appeals of local draft board denials still pending.

Of these, Butler said, 10 have since received II-A (national interest) deferments and allowed to continue their tours. Wagner and Lonidier are the only Volunteers who have lost their appeals. The other cases remain unresolved.

These cases represent only a tiny fraction of the more than 6,000 men — most of whom are draft eligible — who entered Peace Corps training in the past year, Butler added.

"It may seem odd that we send Volunteers overseas knowing

there is some chance we might have to bring them back at Peace Corps expense," Butler said. "But when you consider the nearly \$5,000 it costs to recruit and train a Volunteer, the \$400 required to return him for induction is negligible." The appeal channel, which can include reconsideration of a classification denial at the local, state and presidential appeals board level, sometimes takes several months.

Volunteers have never been exempted from the draft and may enlist or be inducted into the armed services after completion of two-year Peace Corps tours, Butler said.

The Peace Corps does not request deferments for applicants, trainees and Volunteers — a responsibility of the registrant — but does keep draft boards informed of his training and overseas status.

## Singing Cadets Entertain SCONA Delegates, Guests

The Singing Cadets sang before a warm and receptive audience of SCONA delegates and their guests Thursday night and set the mood for a sacred and worshipful holiday season.

The main lounge of the Memorial Student Center, decorated with the theme of Christmas in mind, provided an appropriate setting for the Cadets as they sang songs depicting the Christmas season.

"Coventry Carol," "I Wonder As I Wander," "Fanfare for Christmas," "Behold That Star," "Lullaby of the Christ Child," and "Jesu Bambino" were songs presented by the group.

Delegates and guests sat on the floor and relaxed during the

informal program which included group singing of old traditional favorites of the holiday season.

Bob Boone directed the cadets and led in the group singing, and Mrs. June Beiring provided the piano accompaniment.

## Panel Will Discuss ASEE's Goals

National goals of the American Society for Engineering Education will be aired in a panel discussion at a Texas A&M University chapter meeting Tuesday.

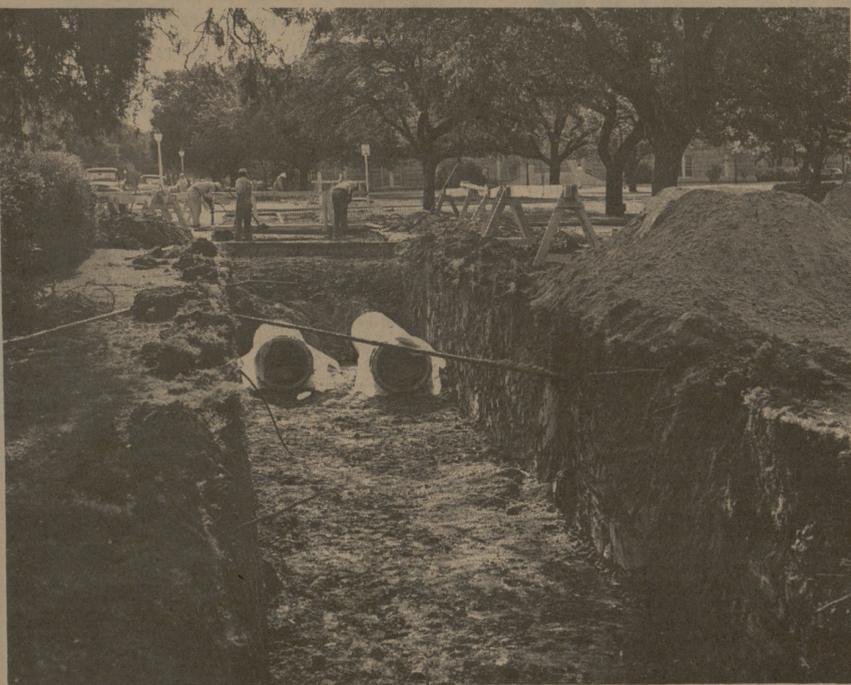
The ASEE chapter will meet at 3:45 p.m. in Room 121 of the Civil Engineering Building, announced Dr. James H. Earle, Engineering Graphics Department head.

Earle said the meeting is interdisciplinary in nature and all

faculty members interested in engineering education are welcome.

J. G. McGuire, assistant dean of engineering; Dr. Howard Furr, civil engineering professor, and Dr. J. G. H. Thompson, mechanical engineering professor, will comprise the panel to discuss "Roles of the National ASEE."

Refreshments will be served at 3:45 with the program to begin at 4 p.m., Earle said.



EXCAVATIONS FOR PIPELINE REACH SBISA

The new air-conditioning pipeline stretches work continues. (Battalion photo by Russell under Military Walk toward Sbis Hall as Autrey)

## Park Service Personnel Man Here Monday

Ivan D. Parker, regional personnel officer of the National Park Service, Santa Fe, N.M., will visit the A&M campus Monday.

Parker will be here to discuss career employment, seasonal as well as permanent, with students in the Recreation and Parks curriculum. He also plans to become acquainted with the program offered here.

Parker is the chief administrator of the Southwestern region of the National Park Service. He is head of 46 National Parks and Monuments, five of which are in Texas.

He will have information on both professional and pre-professional positions including: Park aid, park technician, park specialist and park manager. He will have information and applications for employment in all National Park Service administered areas in the Southwestern region.

All applicants for both seasonal and permanent employment to the Washington office will be routed through the Santa Fe region in order that they will receive special attention.

## A&M Contributes To Study

A&M's contribution to a major study of 27 Northeastern utility systems by Stone and Webster Engineering Corporation has been acknowledged.

John Denison, director of the Electric Power Institute at A&M, said the Northeast Interconnection Study report will go to members of Congress and others.

Denison said the study recommends system improvements and operating procedures which would minimize the probability of a repetition of the mass system failure which caused a major blackout in the Northeast in 1965.

A&M's Data Processing Center developed digital computer pro-

grams for load flow transient stability studies by the firm. Don Lyle, a joint programmer for the EPI and Data Processing Center, served as a consultant to Stone and Webster for adapting programs to the AVCO IBM 7094 computer.

Stone and Webster of Boston, Mass. developed a model representing the extensive Northeastern utility system. The model required a computer with large storage capacity and load flow and stability programs capable of representing several hundred machines. These programs were developed by A&M to accommodate 800 buses and 1,200 lines, Denison explained.

## Four Debaters Represent A&M In Tournament

Four students will represent A&M in the second Harding Invitational Forensics Tournament at Searcy, Ark., today and Saturday, announced Aggie Debate Team Coach Carl Kell.

A&M's team consists of sophomores Wayne Prescott and James Byrd of Houston, Ronald Hinds of Midland and freshman Robert Peek of Jacksboro. Peek was the Class 4A state debate champ in 1965 University Interscholastic League competition.

A&M debaters will compete with 17 colleges and universities from six states, according to Dr. Evan Ulrey, chairman of Harding College's speech department. He is tournament director.

Sweepstakes, junior and senior division first and second place trophies, best debater awards and individual recognition in persuasive speaking, extemporaneous speaking and radio talks will be given.

Texas schools with teams in the tourney are A&M, the University of Houston, East Texas State, Fort Worth Christian College, Hardin-Simmons, McMurry, Lubbock Christian and Austin College.