



The Battalion

Weather
 SATURDAY — Partly cloudy, winds easterly 15 to 20 m.p.h. High 61. Low 39.
 SUNDAY — Partly cloudy, winds southerly 15 to 25 m.p.h. High 68. Low 44.

the outside world

WASHINGTON
 The Senate ratified the consular treaty with the Soviet Union Thursday. Before it takes effect, however, the Soviet Presidium must also ratify it.

Senate Ethics Committee withheld a decision on whether to accept affidavits that contributors to Senator Dodd intended him to use the money as he saw fit.

Congress should defer judgement on President Johnson's recommendation for a general income tax increase, said the Senate-House Economic Committee.

The nation's jobless rate remained at 3.7 per cent last month and total employment held virtually steady, the Labor Department reported.

Smack on the eve of St. Patrick's Day, a Dublin born scientist said Ireland has a very serious problem, a brain drain.

NATIONAL
 Perry Russo testified that he was hypnotized three times in the Orleans Parish coroner's office, but denied that he has been under hypnosis during his testimony.

VIETNAM
 President Johnson is developing a strategy of maximum military and diplomatic pressure against the Communists in an effort to end the Vietnam war at the earliest possible time.

Communist gunners shelled a U. S. merchant ship near Saigon and used mortars in attacks against seven American and Vietnamese positions.

U. S. intelligence officers have uncovered the most graphic proof yet that a shadowy North Vietnamese general directs the Communist war in South Vietnam. The proof fell into American hands because the Red general, like many generals the world over, liked to have his picture taken.

INTERNATIONAL
 Fifteen Greek army officers were convicted Thursday of conspiring to overthrow the monarchy, but the man the government accused of heading the leftist plot escaped trial. He is Andreas Papandreou, once an American citizen, son of a former premier, and a member of Parliament.

TEXAS
 Texas' draft quota for May is 885 men, Colonel Morris Swartz, state draft director, said Thursday. This compares with quotas of 675 for April, 761 for March, and 675 for February.

The Railroad Commission reduced the Texas Oil allowance for April and listened Thursday as the nation's leading oil company executives spoke with cautious optimism of industry conditions.

Republicans who complained of odd-shaped congressional districts that fragment big city counties were told Thursday that redistricting bill writers have to think about what can pass.

Texas senators muzzled a 20-hour filibuster Thursday while House member approved an anti-bugging bill. Sleepy eyed senators quit until 10:30 a.m. Monday after an afternoon and night of parliamentary jockeying over a House-approved local option city sales tax bill.

Four Vocal Soloists Perform At Town Hall Show Sunday

Four vocal soloists will perform with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra in a joint presentation with the University of Texas Concert Choir here Sunday.

They include bass-baritone Edward A. Baird, soprano Claire Brooks, contralto Juanita Teal and tenor Grant B. Williams. All have vast professional experience.

The performance, sponsored by the Memorial Student Center's Town Hall Committee, is set for 3 p.m. in G. Rolie White Coliseum.

Director of the 67-year-old Dallas Symphony is youthful Donald Johanos. At his request, both the symphony and choir will function at less than full capacity.

Prompting Johanos' request was the work to be performed, Bach's B Minor Mass, said to be one of the most demanding works ever written. Johanos has directed the Dallas Symphony since 1962.

Town Hall Chairman Sammy Pearson said the Dallas Symphony plans to use 35 musicians in the program. The University of Texas Concert Choir, directed by Dr. Morris Beachy, will bring 60 mixed voices to Aggieland.

Associate conductor of the Dallas Symphony is Charles Blackman, formerly a concert violinist. He is the author of a book about the philosophy of conducting.



IT'S ALMOST SPRING
 With spring still five days away, coed takes and also accomplish studying in a most advantage of the warm weather to get a tan leisurely manner. (Photo by Russell Autrey)

Engineering Convocation Attracts Students, Faculty



SINGING CADETS REHEARSE
 A&M's Singing Cadets rehearse for a concert tonight in the Jones Hall for the Performing Arts at Houston. They will sing in Baytown and Spring Branch Friday and Saturday.

Singing Cadets Slated For Houston Jones Hall Show

By PATRICIA HILL
 Battalion Staff Writer
 The Singing Cadets, directed by Robert L. Boone, left today for Houston where they will present a concert at the Jones Hall for the Performing Arts.

Curtain time is 8 p.m. The concert, sponsored by the A&M Mother's Club, is already close to a sell-out.

The program will include "The Prodigal Son," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and "Testament of Freedom."

Mrs. June Beiring, accompanist for the organization, will be assisted during the program by Albert Maenche on the piano, Clinton Coston on the string bass, and Gordon T. Hill on the guitar.

200 Cadets View Tinker Air Base

Approximately 200 A&M Air Force cadets will make a field trip to Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., April 13, 14 and 15, according to Capt. Samuel J. Boles of the Aerospace Studies Department.

Boles said sophomores are currently signing up. Junior and senior cadets will also be included in the excursion.

Two-Day Meeting To Begin Tuesday

All College of Engineering classes will be dismissed Tuesday and Wednesday to allow maximum student and faculty participation in the university's "Engineering for the 1970's" convocation.

The Memorial Student Center meeting poses the question: What is the engineering outlook for the next decade? Providing the answers will be an array of leading industrial, governmental and academic engineers, headed by Sir John Douglas Cockcroft of Cambridge University, the 1951 physics Nobel Prize winner who confirmed Einstein's theory of relativity.

The two-day convocation, first of its type ever held in Texas, will focus on the Southwest and explore new areas of anticipated growth and opportunities in such fields as materials, energy conversion and urban engineering.

Approximately 500 persons are expected to attend the meeting, including vice presidents or directors of engineering from most of the major technical firms throughout the state.

Sir John, who was recently named a distinguished visiting professor of engineering at Texas A&M, will present the meeting's inaugural lecture at 9 a.m. His "Engineering for the 1970's" address will include a discussion of the impact of technology on civilization.

THE OPENING address will be followed by a round-table discussion entitled "What Should the Engineering Colleges Do to Meet the Challenges of the 70's."

A&M Engineering Dean Fred Benson will serve as moderator for the panel, composed of Paul Purser of the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston; State Highway Engineer D. C. Greer of Austin; H. B. Zachry of San Antonio, chairman of the board, H. B. Zachry Co., and R. C. Blaylock of Dallas, vice president and technical director for Ling-Temco-Vought, Inc.

An afternoon round-table, "How Should Industry and Government Cooperate with the Engineering Colleges in Their Development During the 70's," will be moderated by Dr. J. J. McKetta, dean of engineering at the University of Texas.

PARTICIPANTS in this discussion include J. H. Dunn of Amarillo, board chairman, Shamrock Oil and Gas Corp.; Robert



SIR JOHN COCKCROFT

Journalism Head Attends Meeting In San Francisco

Dr. Delbert McGuire, head of the Journalism Department, will attend the spring meeting of the American Council on Education For Journalism at San Francisco Friday and Saturday.

The meeting will include the report from accreditation committees on their visitations to several schools made during the previous year. The committees will submit a list of journalism schools or departments for their accrediting under ACEJ standards.

Twelve schools were visited and the members will vote on each and then submit their results to the parent body of the ACEJ for a final decision. Fourteen educators and 10 professional news media personnel will attend and vote on the accreditation proposals.

"I have prepared a report on journalism curriculums in junior colleges in Texas which I made a study of last year," Dr. McGuire said. He explained that the ACEJ wish to make a detailed study of future accreditation for junior colleges.

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 —Adv.

Neal Ford, Fanatics Slated For Junior Ball Performance

Neal Ford and the Fanatics will entertain at the Junior Class Ball in Sbis Hall Saturday night, starting at 8:30.

A 6:30 banquet will precede the ball. Ball tickets are available for \$3.00 per couple at the Student Programs Office today or at the door. Banquet tickets went off sale at 10 a.m. today.

Draft Board Head Never Saw Changes

"I never thought that there would be any changes in the present system," J. M. "Ben" Daniel, head of the local Selective Service Board, said recently at the Methodist Student Center in a discussion of the proposed Selective Service bill.

The bill would eliminate the local boards, replacing them with 500 area boards. The second phase of the bill is the so-called "youngest first" plan whereby the youngest eligible men would be called first, rather than the older men as now.

Daniel expressed some doubt as to whether the bill would be passed in its entirety and stated that the bill, if passed, would provide for the "youngest first" clause and also a rigid tightening of student deferment. The White House committee has proposed elimination of student deferments, as well as reserve and National Guard deferments.

Daniel then read the last state director's advice to local boards, which states that "2S classifications had to be considered a necessity to the maintenance of the national health and that a passing grade on the deferment test did not necessarily mean automatic deferment, but rather leaves it up to the discretion of the local board." Daniel, however, assured that "most boards will try to go along with the students."

MSC Committee's 'Old Army' Movie Set For Tonight

"We've Never Been Licked," a movie filmed at A&M during World War II, will be shown in Guion Hall at 7:30 tonight.

Robert Mitchum stars in the full-length movie. Tickets are 50 cents.

Benefits from admission will go to the Memorial Student Center Overseas Scholarship Committee.

"The purpose of the committee is to review and select candidates for scholarships and loans for overseas travel," Steve Gummer, MSC Council president, said.

The movie, Gummer commented, shows what student life was like 20 years ago at A&M and concerns Mitchum, who becomes involved as an American counter-spy.



1967 AUTO PLATES
 License plates are on sale in the Post Office area of the MSC for the convenience of students and employes of Texas A&M. The plates will be available March 20-23 and March 28-29 between 8:30 a. m. and 4:15 p. m.

First Bank & Trust now pays 5% per annum on savings certificates.
 —Adv.