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"DAMN THE DEMONSTRATORS"

The 7th Fleet ammunition supply ship Virgo displays a new paraphrase of the old Navy line "Damn the torpedoes—full speed ahead." The Virgo's banner says "Damn the demonstrators" and "Pass the ammunition," a retort to the anti-war demonstrators in the United States. The ship was photographed cruising 60 miles north of the border between North and South Vietnam. (AP Wirephoto)

Groups Pay Tribute Tuesday To Past Dean Of Agriculture

Local businessmen, former students and associates paid tribute Tuesday night to Charles N. Shepardson, former Texas A&M dean of agriculture who recently announced his retirement from the Federal Reserve System board of governors.

The Briarcrest Country Club appreciation dinner, sponsored by University National Bank and several of Shepardson's former students, included presentation of a plaque and reading of a resolution prepared by the local banking fraternity.

The resolution noted "Governor" Shepardson has "shouldered a heavy burden of financial and fiscal responsibility" and while at Texas A&M "contributed immeasurably to the development of agriculture in the State of Texas and in the nation."

Shepardson, who now resides in Washington, D. C., had been participating in Texas A&M's three-day financial management conference which concluded Tuesday.

He was appointed to the Federal Reserve Board in 1955 after serving more than 27 years at Texas A&M, the last 11 as dean of agriculture.

Shepardson is a native of Littleton, Colo., and a graduate of Colorado State College where he also taught for eight years before joining the A&M faculty.

A&M Is Invited To Spring Rodeo

HILLSBORO — Texas A&M cowboys and cowgirls have been invited to participate in the Hill Junior College Rodeo Club's spring rodeo Friday and Saturday, May 5-6.

The rodeo performances are the highlight of Western Days, also set for Friday and Saturday.

A parade will be held Friday at 5 p.m. in downtown Hillsboro.

Marcos Gonzalez, an official from the Secretary of Agriculture's office of the Dominican Republic, is spending two weeks studying the organizational structure of Texas A&M.

W. E. (Bill) Beach, campus coordinator for Dominican Republic programs for the International Programs Office, said Gonzalez is particularly interested in agricultural research and teaching procedures.

Gonzalez' schedule includes a short visit to study blackland income programs at Temple and McGregor, and a tour of A&M's rice research facilities at Beaumont. International Programs' representatives will accompany him.

Assistant director of the Plan-

ning Department of the Dominican Secretary of Agriculture, Gonzalez also is coordinator of training programs for the secretary of agriculture. The department also is responsible for on-going programs, Beach commented.

Dr. Jarvis Miller, chief of A&M's party for contract operations in the Dominican Republic, said Gonzalez' office prepares agricultural development plans and coordinates activities of all agencies in the agricultural sector, including credit, water resources, cooperative promotion and agrarian reform.

Dr. Miller said a major problem of the department is lack of trained personnel. He noted that A&M's goal will provide 100 bachelor of science trained agricultural scientists and workers.

Thirty-seven Dominican students are completing their first year of study at A&M, Miller pointed out. Carlos Aquino is Dominican coordinator for the students.

Beach announced 27 additional Dominican students are scheduled to arrive at A&M May 28 for a

summer of intensive English training before enrolling for regular courses in the fall.

Dr. Miller brought transcripts and application forms of the prospective students for processing by the Registrar's Office. He plans

to return to Santo Domingo this week.

Beach said Dr. Miller is nearing the end of a two-year assignment and will return to Texas in July for a six-week vacation before beginning another two-year stint in

the Dominican Republic. A&M representatives in the Dominican Republic include persons working under the agency for International Development Contract and eight persons sponsored by the Ford Foundation.

Fund Bill Passes In Texas Senate

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate Finance Subcommittee approved today a one-year spending bill calling for \$436 million from the general revenue fund, which could mean a tax increase of \$11 million during the next fiscal year.

Sen. A. M. Aikin Jr. of Paris, chairman of the Finance Committee, said he would ask full committee approval of the Senate bill Thursday.

LT. GOV. PRESTON Smith, meeting with the subcommittee and newsmen in his office just prior to the start of the Senate session, said he would ask the Senate to consider both the one-year bill and a two-year appropriation measure, which has been on the Senate calendar for more than a month.

It called for spending \$846.8 million from general revenue.

"I want the Senate to make a choice which they favor," Smith said.

AFTER THE Senate Finance Committee had approved the two-year appropriation bill, Gov. John Connally asked the legislature to provide funds for running state government for only one year.

He said he would call the legislature back in special session next year to find money for the second year of the biennium.

Included in the one-year bill is some \$12 million for salary increases for state employees.

Plane Wreckage Is Discovered On Mountain Side

MENA, Ark. (AP) — The wreckage of an Army T-41 plane missing since Saturday was discovered Wednesday on a heavily wooded mountain in western Arkansas.

The Polk County sheriff's office confirmed that the single-engine plane had been found, but it and other authorities declined to give other details.

Aboard the missing plane were Maj. D. F. Denton, the pilot, and Maj. L. S. Wiese, both attached to the command and general staff college at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

The plane was spotted on Rich Mountain near Wilhelmina State Park by a man who had reported that he heard a low-flying aircraft that sounded like a helicopter or crippled airplane in the area Saturday.

Denton and Wiese, on a flight from Ft. Leavenworth, were reported missing after leaving Fayetteville, Ark., where they had stopped for fuel. Denton planned to drop Wiese at Mena and then continue to Arkadelphia, Ark.



GOT TRUCK—NO INGOTS

Police stand guard around an empty van in Kentish Town, London, after bandits hijacked \$2.1 million in gold ingots. A gang jumped the crew of the armored van in London. They used ammonia in the attack, police said. (AP Wirephoto via cable from London.)

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