

The Battalion

Weather

THURSDAY—Partly cloudy to cloudy, winds southerly 15 to 20 m.p.h. High 91. Low 73.
FRIDAY—Partly cloudy to cloudy, few rain showers late afternoon, winds southerly 15 to 25 m.p.h. High 87. Low 74.

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the outside world

Marine Task Force Kills 346 In First Corps Area

WASHINGTON

The Senate passed 93 to 1 Tuesday a bill restoring major business tax incentives, after voting to make a hollow shell of the law to finance presidential campaigns with \$1 checkoffs on income tax returns.

Ten anti-war demonstrators staged a sit-in at the Pentagon Tuesday after guards prevented them from entering a top-security area.

The condition of former President Eisenhower continued to improve, but he will remain in the hospital at least for the remainder of the week, the commanding general of Walter Reed Army Hospital said Tuesday.

A Public Health Service official warned Tuesday that the heavy plane and ship traffic from South Vietnam has boosted the chances of bubonic plague outbreaks in the United States.

The first three-man Apollo orbit of the earth has been rescheduled for early next year, space chief James E. Webb said Tuesday.

NATIONAL

A hearing on James R. Hoffa's fourth motion for a new jury tampering trial, expected to last at least three days, was over in 45 minutes Tuesday. His lawyers remained silent when asked to present their evidence.

Cassius Clay Sr., father of the former heavyweight champion, was listed in satisfactory condition Tuesday after being stabbed in the chest while at a restaurant.

INTERNATIONAL

Negotiators have set Sunday as the deadline for completion of work on the Kennedy Round of negotiations to lower tariffs and other obstacles to world trade.

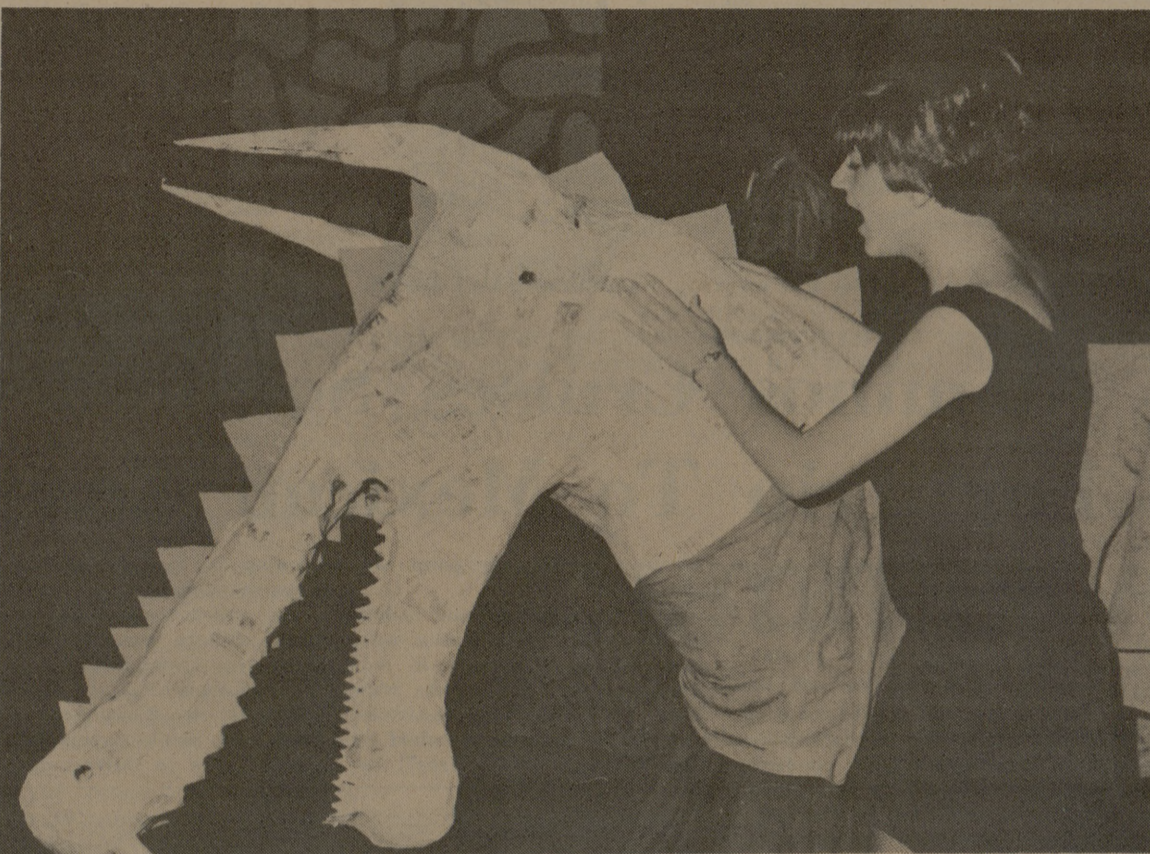
Reports from Communist China Tuesday indicated a developing upheaval in the turbulent southwest, where supporters of Communist party Chairman Mao Tse-tung and his opponents were said to be clashing in bloody battles.

TEXAS

The Citizens National Bank of Austin announced Tuesday that Patrick J. Nugent, son-in-law of President Johnson, has been elected to its board of directors.

A complex voter registration bill requiring voters to register in person within the next two years was approved by Senate committee Tuesday.

Randy Matson, Texas A&M's world champion shot putter, said Tuesday that he will take a two-week rest before resuming competition.



"WHY, YOU'RE A DRAGON!"

Cast members rehearse for presentation of the Aggie Follies' "The Syncopated Psychedelic Time Funnel," or "Time-trapped on the Brazos at Gunbutt." It will be presented in Guion Hall Thursday through Saturday at 8 p. m. (Photo by Russell Autrey)

Root-Out Outshined By Border Actions

SAIGON (AP)—A U. S. Marine task force has been rooting out North Vietnamese infiltrators deep in the 1st Corps area while battles near the border held world attention, the U.S. Command disclosed Tuesday. It said enemy dead in Operation Union totaled 346.

LOSSES AMONG the 1,200 or more Marines in the operation, launched April 21, were listed as 52 killed and 232 wounded. The task force was officially described only as multibattalion. The locale is Quang Nam and Quang Tin provinces, which are from 100 to 150 miles south of the border.

Contact has ranged from light to moderate, a spokesman said. U.S. B52 jets roared high above that mountainous area for two saturation attacks with their 30-ton bomb loads. One of these was in Quang Ngai Province, which adjoins Quang Tin, and the other in the southern portion of the demilitarized zone blanketing the border.

THE SPOKESMAN said both raids by the eight-engine Stratofortresses were aimed at enemy troop concentrations and weapons positions.

U.S. Marines, Army artillery and South Vietnamese troops manning hot spots near the border built up their defenses in the expectation of further heavy action in the wake of the battle of Con Thien.

There was an upward revision of casualty figures for both sides at Con Thien, two miles south of the demilitarized zone, where an attack by about 1,200 North Vietnamese regulars was repulsed Monday.

THE U.S. COMMAND said 197 of the enemy were killed, 18 more than previously announced. Allied casualties were put at 44 Marines killed, 140 Marines and other American troops wounded and 14 Vietnamese irregulars killed and 16 wounded. This increased the number of Marine dead by nine and the number of

Americans wounded by 41. While U.S. jets again pounded selected targets in North Vietnam, it was announced five air attacks over the past two weeks different from other mammals have put the Hoa Lac MIG air base out of action.

Bank Of A&M Names Two New Directors

An engineer and a veterinarian have been elected directors of the Bank of A&M, Chairman of the board John R. Naylor, announced today.

New directors are Dr. Charles H. Samson Jr., head of the Department of Civil Engineering, and Dr. Fred D. Maurer, associate dean and distinguished professor pathology, College of Veterinary Medicine.

"WE ARE FORTUNATE to find men of this caliber to join the board of the Bank of A&M," Naylor commented. "Both Dr. Samson and Dr. Maurer are outstanding in their professional fields. They will provide leadership and assistance in the management of our financial institution, to permit us to be of greater service to the students, faculty and staff of Texas A&M as well as the business community of Bryan-College Station."

Dr. Samson received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in civil engineering from Notre Dame and the Ph.D. from the University of Missouri in 1953. An assistant professor at Notre Dame from 1953-56, he went to SMU in 1956 as a graduate lecturer and was a project engineer for General Dynamics Corporation.

HE CAME TO College Station in 1960 as a professor of civil and aeronautical engineering and was made head of the Structural Research Department in 1962. He was named head of his department in 1964.

Chosen "Engineer of the Year" for Brazos County in 1966, Dr. Samson is listed in "American Men of Science," "Leaders in American Science," "Who's Who in American Education," "Who's Who in Engineering," and "Who's Who in the South and Southwest."

He was given the General Dynamics/Fort Worth "Excellence in Teaching" award in 1962.

A Registered Professional Engineer for both Texas and Indiana, Samson also serves as head of the Civil Engineering Division, Texas Engineering Experiment Station and is a research engineer for the Texas Transportation Institute.

HE IS VICE president for the Texas Society for Professional Engineers, Brazos Chapter; and See Bank Of A&M page 4

Pride, Accomplishments

Fish Drill Team Captures 21 Trophies

What makes a cadet want to toss a rifle around under a street lamp at midnight?

A Texas A&M Fish Drill Team member may require a couple of hours to explain.

Pride and accomplishment are the principal factors. The 1966-

67 FDT has a cabinet full of hardware to prove the latter.

THE TEAM commanded by Justo (Gus) Gonzales of San Antonio stepped precisely through seven parades and competitions this year and brought back 21 trophies. In the maze of gleam-

ing gold, silver and wood are 13 first place awards.

"The freshmen's most cherished trophy, however, is the 24-inch replica of the Washington Monument won in the national championships," declares Maj. Calvin Reese, team sponsor. The simpl-

est of the 21 trophies was won when the 25-cadet team placed second among the nation's top rated 24 drill teams.

THE BLACK-helmeted unit will leave a distinguished mark when it completes the year in the Houston Armed Forces Day parade May 20.

In meets at West Texas State and LSU, the "fish" took every first place trophy available. The 25 members from all major Texas cities, Midland, Humble, Lake Jackson, Burleson, Vidor, Huntsville and five out-of-state cities were second to none in appearance. The freshmen won every inspection award, maintaining a string of firsts dating to the 1964-65 school year.

The success may trace to a sign posted in the team's rifle storage room: "Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity."

A HIGH DEGREE of esprit de corps is built through a calculated series of jibes, insults, hard work by upperclass advisors and long hours on the practice field.

"Each team is accused of sponging off the previous team's record," explained Dick Grossenbacher, senior advisor from San Antonio.

Moulded from the crucible of long hours practice is a hard

faith in ability voiced by a freshman who quit turning his head to catch a tossed rifle.

"I don't have to," he said. "I know it will be there."

MEMBERS ARE "recruited" at a September new student open house, according to James L. Vogas, 1967-68 senior advisor. Tryouts and two months practice precede the team's first appearance.

"We keep stressing the idea that until they make their own mark — if they do — the team is living off the reputation of last year's team," Vogas went on.

To make the unit, fish are required to decide between membership and intramural sports, other extra-curricular activities and going home weekends. Strict time accounting is mandatory, if the student is to maintain grades that will keep him in school.

"THAT'S ONE of the advantages of being a team member," noted Maj. Gerald J. Harber, Military Science Department representative. "The boys are forced to learn to budget their time."

The capability is valuable. In previous years, team members have become senior class president and held other key student government positions. Two years ago, 27 Cadet Corps commanders were FDT "graduates."

Movements, intricate rifle passes and new tactics are designed and installed by seven upperclass advisors. Each year's drills are different except for a basic "ripple" and Queen Anne salute.

NEW IDEAS are voiced only after long thought and two or three cadets have worked out the rifle manual on their own.

Design sessions usually fall at odd hours and places.

Agronomy Society Slates Barbecue

The Texas A&M Student Agronomy Society will hold its spring barbecue Tuesday, according to John Cosper of Edna, Agronomy Society president.

A highlight of the annual event will be presentation of the Luther Jones Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded each year to the outstanding junior member of the Agronomy Society, Cosper said.

The barbecue, which culminates the year's activities for the Society, will be held in Hensel Park at 5:30 p.m.

5% per year paid on all savings at Bryan Building & Loan Assn. Adv.

Three Aggie Architects Win In National Awards Contest

Three School of Architecture students have been named winners in national awards competition.

Maj. Jones Fund Set By Friends Of Viet Nam Pilot

A Maj. Charles C. Jones Memorial Fund has been started at Texas A&M by family friends of the Army helicopter pilot killed in Viet Nam last week.

Contributions will be consolidated in the Industrial Engineering Department for delivery to Robert M. Logan, Student Financial Aid director, for entry in the "little loan" fund, according to Hank Lewis, graduate research assistant in industrial engineering.

IN THE "little loan" fund, the contributions will be used in a non-depleting \$20 - for - 30 - days loan program to students. Major Jones' name will be listed with seven or eight other contributors on printed checks by which loans are issued.

"We have \$20,000 in the 'little loan' fund," Logan noted. "This amount is turned over five or six times a year. A report to the family describing fund usage is made annually."

"BOB BAKER of the department had the idea and the memorial fund was opened in response to wishes of friends of the family and Major Jones' classmates," Lewis said.

The pilot was on a combat mission flight when his UH-1D crashed and burned. Jones was from San Antonio and a 1957 A&M graduate. The major had been in Viet Nam only two months. He received his masters degree here in January.

They include James Foster of Bryan, Charles G. Hamel of Galveston, and Ronald R. Copeland of Texarkana.

Edward J. Romieniec, A&M's School of Architecture chairman, announced the award winners.

Foster was one of four in the nation to receive a \$400 American Institute of Architects Foundation scholarship. Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Foster, Rt. 3, Bryan, is editor of Architecture Plus, a school publication, and a member of the Design Student Society. Twice a distinguished student, he was named outstanding freshman in 1962-63.

Hamel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Hamel, 3125 Avenue North 1/2, won a \$1,300 summer travel grant from Pitts, Mebane,

Phelps and White, architects in Beaumont and Washington, D. C.

The award winner will work, study and travel in England, Scotland or Scandinavia this summer.

Copeland received a \$500 travel grant from the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities. Romieniec said the award will help Copeland enlarge his knowledge and experience in planning and landscape architecture through first-hand observation.

Copeland is the son of C. W. Copeland, 121 Robison Place, Texarkana.

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"YOUR MOVE"

Four students relax from studies Tuesday afternoon to play a game of chess on lawn outside dorm.