



# The Battalion

**Weather**  
 Friday — Cloudy to partly cloudy, rain or rain showers in the morning, winds Southerly 5-10 m.p.h. High 66, low 53.  
 Saturday — Continued cloudy to partly cloudy, winds Southerly 10-15 m.p.h. High 71, low 48.

## Houston Trip Set For A&M Leaders

By DAVE MAYES  
 Battalion Staff Writer

Thirty student leaders will go on the Spring Leadership Trip to Houston Sunday and Monday, according to trip coordinator Paul Mebane of San Antonio.

Mebane said that the purpose of the trip, the seventh sponsored by the Memorial Student Center Leadership Committee, is to broaden the cultural and educational backgrounds of the student participants.

"Students were chosen to go on the trip from recommendations submitted by the deans of the various colleges, officers on the MSC Council, and campus clubs," Mebane said.

AFTER registering Sunday morning in the Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, the student leaders will tour the nearby Astrodome.

They will then see two theater performances, "Pal Joey" in the Houston Music Theater in the afternoon, and "Candida" in the Alley Theater that evening.

After the plays, the group will dine at the Warwick Club in the Warwick Hotel.

Monday morning the leaders will breakfast in the Shamrock-Hilton with former A&M student Les Appelt, a major real estate agent in the Houston area.

THEY WILL then tour the Jesse H. Jones Hall of Performing Arts with Mrs. Ralph Ellis Gunn, former president of both Houston Symphony and the Arts

# Filing Will Start Friday In Spring Class Elections

## March 28 Voting Set For Officers



CIVILIAN WEEKEND PERFORMERS

The 5th Dimension, whose recordings of "Up, Up and Away," "Go Where You Wanna Go" and "Paper Cup" have made them one of the nation's top vocal groups, will appear in a Town Hall performance here April 27. The show will highlight Civilian Student Week-end.

Candidates for class offices for next year will begin filing Friday in the Student Programs Office of the Memorial Student Center, according to Gerald Geistweidt, vice-president of the Elections Commission.

Each class will elect a president, vice president, social secretary and secretary-treasurer, Geistweidt said. Five elections commissioners will be chosen by each class, and the Class of 1969 will also elect a class historian.

Candidates for any office must have at least a 1.0 grade point ratio and must not be on scholastic or conduct probation.

IN ADDITION, three yell leaders will be chosen from the Class of 1969 and two will be selected from the Class of 1970, Geistweidt noted. Each candidate must have a minimum GPR of 1.25.

The senior candidate receiving the most votes will be designated head yell leader.

Each class will choose a representative to the Memorial Student Center Council and Directorate, Geistweidt added. The minimum GPR for these candidates is 1.5.

Filing will close March 15 and the election will be held March 28. A run-off has been scheduled for April 4, Geistweidt added.

"STUDENTS must bring their identification cards and student activity cards in order to vote," Geistweidt said. "Transfer students who have identification card numbers which indicate a class lower than the one to which they belong will be permitted to vote with their class on request."

Voting for the offices will take place in the basement of the MSC, Geistweidt said.

"We're hoping for a good turnout of candidates who are interested in being an officer in their class," he said. "There is a wide field of possible offices and we hope an interest is shown for each category."

## A&M To Host JETS Meet, Career Day

High school students from throughout the state converge on Texas A&M this weekend for a Junior Engineering Technical Society conference, followed by Career Day.

A&M Assistant Engineering Dean J. G. McGuire, JETS state coordinator, said the organization's annual state conference Friday is expected to attract approximately 600 students and 100 science and math teachers, counselors and professional engineers.

Career Day activities Saturday should draw nearly 1,000 prospective students, parents and teachers, noted Edward Miller, chairman of the sponsoring Student Inter-Council. He added junior college students also are being invited.

Dr. M. R. Lohmann, dean of engineering at Oklahoma State University, is keynote speaker for the JETS. He will discuss "Engineering in the 1980's."

THE DEAN is president of the American Society for Engineering Education and is a member of the national board of directors for JETS.

Morning and afternoon conference sessions will include competitive tests in chemistry, engineering graphics, mathematics and physics, followed by student tours of A&M engineering facilities.

While the students are taking tests and tours, the visiting teachers, counselors and engineers will participate in seminars. David Reyes-Guerra of New York, JETS executive director, will join A&M engineering professors in conducting the study meetings.

Conference registration begins at 8:30 a.m. in Guion Hall.

McGuire will preside at the opening general session, with A&M President Earl Rudder extending greetings and Engineering Dean Fred Benson delivering the welcoming address.

GRADUATE DEAN Wayne C. Hall will be in charge of the closing session. In addition to announcement of JETS scholarships and presentation of awards for competitive tests and technical papers, the final session will include an "Industry and Education" address by Russell D. Brooks of Dallas, senior engineer for the Industrial Generating Co.

Brooks also is chairman of the Texas Advisory Committee, for JETS which is sponsoring the conference in cooperation with A&M's College of Engineering. The committee is composed of more than 20 Texas businessmen, engineers and educators.

DEAN HALL will officially welcome the students and other guests at 10:30 a.m. in the coliseum.

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## 'Mrs. A&M' Selection Set

"Mrs. Texas A&M" for 1968 will be selected at the Aggie Wives Council's annual spring dance at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Memorial Student Center ballroom.

Mrs. Glenda Chaney, council president, said 35 candidates are entered in the contest.

Selection of the winner, Mrs. Chaney explained, will be based on a combination of beauty, general attributes and achievements which distinguish the titleholder as an outstanding Aggie wife devoted to the principles of Texas A&M.

Judges will be Mrs. Wilson Pilcher, fashion co-ordinator; Jeff Montgomery, president of the Association of Former Students, and James T. Wright of Bryan Building and Loan Association.

Edwin Cooper, A&M civilian student affairs director, will be master of ceremonies.

Dance tickets costing \$2.50 per couple are available at the main desk in the MSC or from any council member, Mrs. Chaney reminded. Ducats also may be purchased at the door.

Free baby-sitting will be furnished for couples purchasing tickets in advance, she added.

## SAE Group Cited For Second Year

Texas A&M's student branch of the Society of Automotive Engineers has been cited by the parent organization for outstanding achievement for the second consecutive year.

Mechanical Engineering Professor R. H. Fletcher, who serves as faculty advisor for the A&M group, said the Outstanding SAE Student Branch Award includes a \$100 grant from the Bendix Corporation for use in scientific educational or professional programs.

## Applications Ready For 'Vanity Fair'

Vanity Fair applications can be picked up in the Student Publications Office, the Student Programs Office, and Room 417 in Dormitory 5, according to Aggie-land Editor Ed Sommers.

Applications must be accompanied with a 5x7 or larger photograph.

The pictures should be turned in to the Student Publications Office before March 25, Sommers said.

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## '5th Dimension' Will Perform For Civilian Weekend Here

By BOB PALMER  
 Battalion Staff Writer

The 5th Dimension will perform in G. Rollie White Coliseum April 27 as part of Civilian Weekend activities, Town Hall Chairman Robert Gonzales announced Wednesday.

"This will be a Town Hall 'regular,' where activity card and season ticket holders will be admitted free," Gonzales said.

Tickets for Aggie wives and dates will cost \$2, student tickets will be \$2.50 and general admission will cost \$3.

"The 5th Dimension offers a new dimension in sound, complete and happening," Gonzales noted.

"Any one of the group could be a star on his own," Gonzales asserted. "Collectively, they present a bright, sunny package of music, great to listen to and stimulating to see."

MARILYN McCoo, Florence LaRue, Ron Townson, LaMont McLemore, and Billy Davis Jr. make up the 5th Dimension.

Their first release on the Soul City label, "I'll Be Lovin' You Forever," started them on the road to fame. Their renditions of "Go Where You Wanna Go" and "Up, Up and Away" assured their success.

"The group has appeared across the country from the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles to New York's Carnegie Hall," been on the 'Hollywood Palace,' Gonzales said. "They have also 'The Jackie Gleason Show' and the 'Tonight Show'."

The group also presents a total-

ly unique act. With fashion designed by Boyd Clopton, the group has a complete wardrobe of exclusive mod clothes and mini-skirts.

The quintet has a new customized wireless microphone system which allows them to move freely on and off stage.

The Town Hall performance will be followed by the Civilian Ball in Sbis Dining Hall.

The theme for the ball will be "Mardi Gras, New Orleans," with the music provided by Clarence Green's Band from Houston.

"IT WILL BE a costume ball with costumes optional," Griff Venator, Civilian Student Council president, said.

A barbecue will precede the Ball Saturday afternoon in the Grove.

"Civilians who want to submit their girl as candidate for Civilian Sweetheart should get her name turned in to their dormitory presidents," Venator commented.

Venator explained that the dorms must elect their sweethearts then turn names in to the Civilian Student Council as Sweetheart candidates.

"The Council will select the finalists at its March 28 meeting," Venator said.

## Grad College Gets \$175,000 In NSF Funds

Texas A&M has been allocated 34 National Science Foundation graduate traineeships for 1968-69, announced Graduate Dean Wayne C. Hall.

Total value of the award is approximately \$175,000, including institutional allowances for tuition, fees and other educational expenses.

Dean Hall said the A&M allotment includes 28 graduate traineeships for nine or 12 months and six summer traineeships for graduate teaching assistants. The NSF program covers 27 fields.

The graduate traineeships, for study beginning Sept. 1, provide for 12 first-year students, nine second year, three third year and four fourth or terminal year.

Hall said first-year students are eligible for \$2,400 stipends, while intermediate graduate students qualify for \$2,600 and fourth-year students \$2,800. Additional \$500 allowances are available for each dependent.

Summer trainees, who receive weekly stipends of \$85, must currently be serving as graduate teaching assistants at A&M.

NSF listed the following fields for the traineeships.

Aerospace engineering, agricultural economics and sociology, agricultural engineering, animal science, biochemistry and biophysics, biology, chemistry, chemical engineering, civil engineering, economics, electrical engineering, entomology, geophysics and geology and geography.

Also industrial engineering, mathematics, mechanical engineering, physics, plant science, poultry science, soil and crop science, statistics and wildlife science.

Dean Hall said applications must be submitted to the Graduate College before April 1. Awards will be made by April 15.

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ROGER BIPPERT

## Bippert Elected '68 King Cotton

Roger Bippert of La Coste, a senior agronomy major has been named King Cotton for the 34th annual Cotton Pageant to be held at 7 p.m., April 6, in the Bryan Civic Auditorium.

The pageant will be followed by a ball in the Memorial Student Center.

The events, social highlights of the school year, are sponsored by the A&M Student Agronomy Society in honor of the state's main cash crop, cotton.

Bippert graduated from Medina Valley High School in La Coste in 1963. He has played an active role in all projects and activities of the Agronomy Society while he has been at A&M, and was chosen as King Cotton in recognition of his record of service to the society.

Members of King Cotton's court are Steve Spafford of Rockwall; Richard Urbanovsky, Aquilla; Billy Schuette, Moody; Cullen Anderson, Waco; Mike Burnside, College Station; Louis Dusek, Holland; Mike Deike, Winters; and Mike Hoch, Garden City.

## Arctic Explorer To Speak For Great Issues Tonight

Explorer Lewis Cotlow's "The High Arctic," a color film of life among the northernmost Eskimos, will be presented here Thursday by the World Around Us Series of Great Issues.

The true life documentary film will be screened at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, announced Frances Kimbrough of Bryan, series chairman.

She said Cotlow will narrate the film, answer questions afterward and be guest of a reception.

Film scenes at the frigid rooftop of the world show Eskimo's day-to-day life, seal, walrus and polar bear hunts and Eskimo family customs. Cotlow pointed out he Arctic has changed little since paleolithic times.

The explorer has traveled in 109 countries, made 12 major expeditions and spent several months among the Eskimos. He describes them as "surviving

heirs of an ancient race and a vanishing one against which civilization is encroaching."

His film represents an outstanding achievement, since cameras and other equipment were operated in 40 to 70 degrees below zero cold.

Cotlow's travels have taken him to the African Sahara, upper Amazon and interior New Guinea. His objective is to study and film primitive people of remote areas before civilization changes their culture and way of life.

He has written several books, including "Passport to Adventure," "Amazon Head Hunters," "Zanzabuku (Dangerous Safari)" and "In Search of the Primitive." The latter is his autobiography. Some of the volumes have been published in six or seven languages.

Student activity card holders will be admitted to the World Around Us presentation free of extra charge. General admission will be \$1.25, Aggie wives and public school students 75 cents per person.



LEWIS COTLOW

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