

The Battalion

Weather

Friday — Cloudy, light rain, wind Easterly 15-20 m.p.h. High 51, low 41.
Saturday — Cloudy, light rain late afternoon, wind Southeast 10-15 m.p.h. High 59, low 44.

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It's Definite: Muster Set For April 22, Campbell Says

By BOB PALMER
Battalion Staff Writer

Aggie Muster will definitely be held here April 22 instead of the traditional San Jacinto Day, April 21, Student Senate President Jerry Campbell said Wednesday.

"All of the Senate's executive committee wanted it on the 21st, but for two reasons we changed it to the 22nd," Campbell asserted.

"We felt that Muster would be better attended if it were held on Monday instead of Sunday, and also the Singing Cadets, who will be on tour in Houston would be rushed to be back on Sunday."

Civilian Council President Griff

Venator backed up Campbell's fears of a Sunday Muster.

"Those civilians that are here will go, but I don't think they would make any outstanding effort to get back," Venator said.

CAMPBELL ALSO pointed out that the speaker for Muster had been arranged for April 22 and could not be changed.

Joe Buser, assistant executive secretary of the Former Students Association, said that the actual date of Muster is let up to each Aggie Club.

"Some of the clubs will be holding Muster on the 20th, others on the 22nd, but most of them, in-

cluding the ones in Vietnam, will be held on the 21st," Buser commented.

Muster will be held in most of the cities around the state and in other spots around the nation.

"I would encourage people to attend a muster in their home town on the 21st as well as the campus Muster on the 22nd," Campbell said.

CAMPBELL POINTED out the Muster will be held on the San Jacinto Battle Field at 2 p.m. April 21 for those who would be staying on the campus but wanted to attend a Muster.

"This will be the first time that Muster has been held on the Battlefield," Campbell said. "There will be speakers and a catered dinner."

"We are hoping that this will be one of the finest Musters ever held and we want to give every A&M man within a reasonable distance an opportunity to attend," noted J. M. Barron Jr., president of the Southwest Houston Club, which is arranging the San Jacinto Muster.

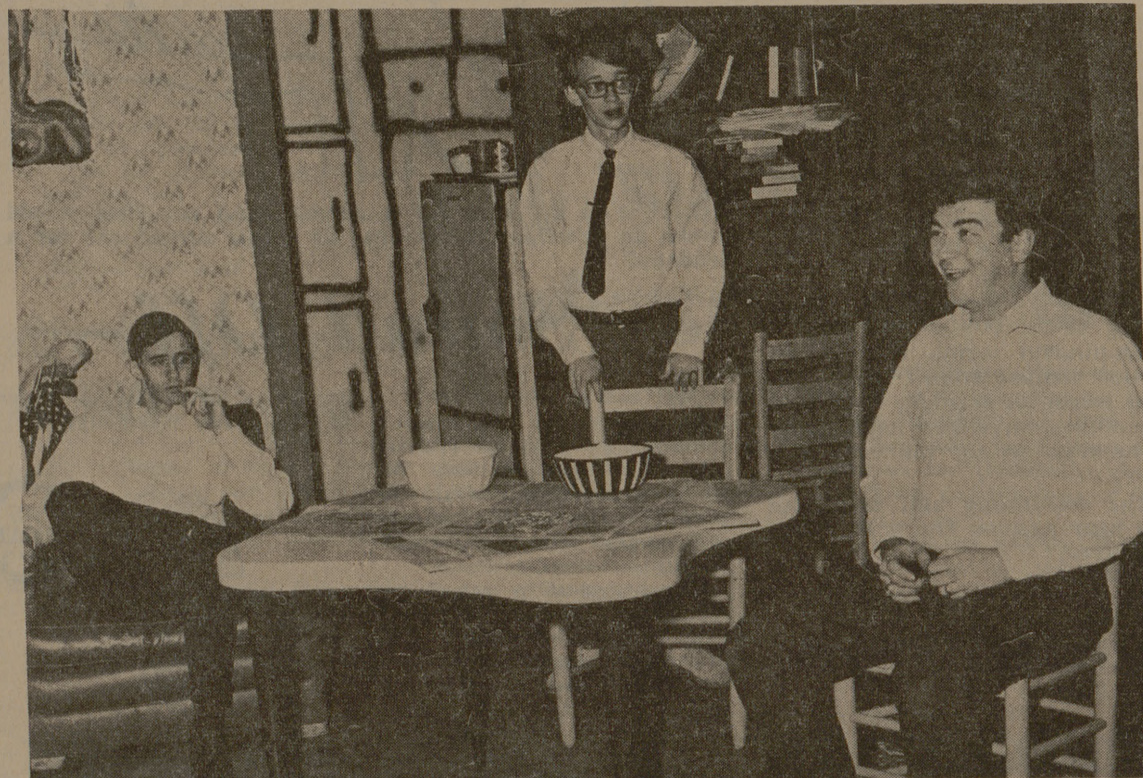
THE MUSTER tradition stretches back to 1903, when the 300-man Cadet Corps mustered to observe the independence of Texas and the sacrifices made at the Alamo, Goliad and San Jacinto.

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Israel And Jordan Battle Once Again



'A THOUSAND CLOWNS'
Three members of the Aggie Players' cast of "A Thousand Clowns" run through rehearsals for the play's Monday opening in Guion Hall. From left, they are Jim Weyhenmeyer, who plays Murray Burns; Scott Wilson, as Nick Burns, and Chick Rose as Leo Herman. (Photo by Mike Wright)

By ED BLANCHE
Associated Press Writer

TEL AVIV (AP)—Israeli and Jordanian troops battled fiercely on the east side of the Jordan River today as Israel invaded Jordan for the first time since the 1967 war to attack Arab guerrilla bases.

Jordan's chief of military intelligence estimated up to 15,000 Israeli troops crossed the river cease-fire line, including three armored brigades and their tanks.

Helicopters dropped paratroopers behind the Jordanian lines to strike at the bases from which the guerrillas have been making sabotage and terror raids into the territory on the west bank occupied by Israel last June.

King Hussein of Jordan issued an urgent appeal to the other Arab chiefs of state to meet to discuss the Israeli attack on his kingdom.

An Israeli spokesman in Tel Aviv said about eight hours after the initial assault that the invaders captured several Jordanian outposts and killed "several score" Arab guerrillas.

He said 11 Israeli soldiers had been killed and 50 wounded in the most savage fighting since the war nine months ago.

The Israelis denied a Jordanian army claim that its forces had killed or wounded 200 of the invaders, destroyed 25 tanks and armored cars and shot down three Israeli planes.

"No Israeli planes have been lost so far, and our casualties are surprisingly low for an engagement of this size," a spokesman said.

Israeli military sources said Israeli jets were in action along the border and that the strikes were "quite heavy."

A Jordanian communique said Israeli planes bombed forward Jordanian positions, and Jordanian anti-aircraft guns responded.

The Jordanians said "savagely" fighting was still raging all along the front.

AP correspondent Roy Essoyan reported from the Jordanian side of the river that the Jordan valley presented a dramatic scene at mid-morning, with Israeli planes swooping low over the west bank and puffs of explosives clearly visible from a hilltop 15 miles east of the front.

A column of camouflaged Jordanian tanks moved toward the river, the southern portion of which was shrouded in smoke.

Most of the action appeared centered around the former refugee camp at Karameh, three miles east of the river. The camp was evacuated after the Israeli attack on Feb. 15.

East of Karameh, the normally quiet villages nestled in green oases were thronged with farmers clustered around transistor radios.

Military traffic moved down the two main roads from Amman to the River Jordan.

Army checkpoints were thrown around Amman and most civilian traffic was stopped on the outskirts of this capital, less than 25 miles from the latest fighting.

Amman radio reported the army in neighboring Syria had been put on alert from the early hours of this morning. Irregular militia units were also on alerts in Syria, it said.

There have been no reports so far of any activity on the vulnerable Syrian cease-fire line with Israel.

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Yell Leader Committee Okays 17 Hopefuls In Spring Election

By DAVE MAYES
Battalion Staff Writer

Seventeen candidates for junior and senior yell leader positions have been approved by the Yell Leader Committee, reported Neil W. Adams of Tyler, head yell leader.

The committee, appointed by the Dean of Students James P. Hannigan, has the power not only to screen yell leader candidates but also to select next year's head yell leader from the three senior candidates polling the highest number of votes in the March 28 election.

Members of the yell leader committee this year are Civilian Counselor J. M. Southerland, committee chairman and yell leader adviser; Memorial Student Center Assistant Director William B. Lancaster, MSC representative; Patrick G. Rehmet, Deputy Corps Commander; Reese Brown, Student Senate representative, and Adams, head yell leader.

THE CANDIDATES for yell leader positions were screened by the committee on the basis of grades and attitudes.

The committee required each candidate to have at least a 1.25

overall grade point ratio and a 1.00 GPR posted last semester.

"Each candidate is then asked questions to determine whether his general manner and attitude would reflect a suitable image of Texas A&M," Adams said.

"The week after the March 28 elections," he continued, "the committee will interview each of the three senior yell leaders three or four times to determine the head yell leader."

SENIOR candidates approved by the Yell Leader Committee are Russell L. Boggess of Baytown; A. Phillip Callahan of Dallas; Marshall R. Cox of Phoenix, Ariz.; Bernard P. Dawson of Wichita Falls; Robert L. Nida of San Antonio; Robert O. Segner, Jr., of San Antonio and Billy J. Youngkin of Gilmer.

Approved junior yell leader candidates are Ronald L. Adams of Tyler; Matthew R. Carroll of Annandale, Va.; Michael G. Granberry of LaPorte; Barry R. Griffin of Houston; David A. Hoelscher of Alice; Richard L. Legler of Houston; Garry P. Mauro of Dallas; Victor T. Naccarato of Donna; Weldon G. Riggs of San Antonio and Eugene A. Taylor of Fort Worth.

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On-Campus Vs. Off-Campus: Students Compare Merits

By STEVE ORTHWEIN
Battalion Special Writer

With every new A&M enrollee, the problem of student housing nears the critical point. School enrollment already surpasses available housing by more than 4,000, so what about the future?

"New dorms will definitely have to be built for some of the students. However, off-campus housing, both College Station and Bryan, will also weigh heavily on the situation."

This statement by President Earl Rudder in a Battalion interview earlier this year stands as his proposed solution.

The problem appears to be solved adequately, with the exception of one question. How do the students feel about off-campus housing?

THE SIMPLE fact that more than one-third of the student body is situated in off-campus housing answers the question at first glance. But first appearances are usually deceiving, and this is no exception.

As 2,500 of these students are married, 400 are living with their family, and 700 are women, the number of students living off-campus just to live off-campus, is considerably smaller.

After deductions are made for

students taking extension courses, those at the Maritime Academy, and students with medical or work permits, the day student figures are drastically reduced to 700, or a mere six per cent.

IN A final effort to determine the student attitude toward off-campus housing, a survey was taken. A rather small sample was polled, but the results appeared to be fairly representative.

The survey showed that about 60 per cent of the student body preferred off-campus housing.

Study conditions and privacy were the reasons given by most of these students. Others preferring off-campus housing gave reasons ranging from better atmosphere to better food.

Oddly enough, study conditions was also the main reason given by those favoring the dormitories. Convenience and price were other factors contributing to some preference for dorm life.

SEVEN PER CENT of those interviewed said they definitely plan to move off-campus next fall.

Interviews with students currently living off-campus tended to produce the same basic answers. They still prefer living off-campus, study better, eat better, make better grades and live in their own Utopia. This was the trend of thought, but about ten per cent admitted that they are considering a return to "the other world."

"My apartment is a lot quieter than the dorm, and I can get a lot more studying done in a shorter time," claims Bob Seiwel, a senior industrial engineering major. "I would only consider moving back if I could find a real quiet dorm that I like."

"I THINK that conditions in the dormitories are really unfavorable for studying," contends Tom O'Brien, a freshman pre-dental student. "In the dorm, someone is always making noise that detracts from studying."

There are always two sides of the coin and those who prefer dorms also have their reasons.

"Dorm life is so much easier," explains Roger Knapp, a junior pre-medical student. "There's not as much to do, and you have more time to study."

A GREAT deal could be said about which place is better for studying. As a matter of fact, the debate could last forever and never prove anything.

Most of the reasons given for choosing either off-campus housing or dormitories could probably be mixed up and interchanged without anyone knowing the difference. Mike Green, a freshman zoology major, gave an answer that was both original and definite as to where he stood.

"I think that moving off campus would give me the feeling of being separated from the school. It would be like living on my own island apart from the world. I don't think I would like being away from the Aggie Spirit, and that's what it would be like."

Singing Cadets Leave Friday

The Singing Cadets launch their spring series of concerts Friday with a three-day trip to San Antonio and Sinton.

Director Robert L. Boone said the group's spring schedule includes 15 appearances, among them performances at HemisFair in San Antonio and Jones Hall in Houston.

The A&M glee club will stop in San Antonio Friday for a noon appearance on KENS-TV while en route to Sinton for an 8 p.m. concert in the high school auditorium.

Boone said the Singing Cadets will return to San Antonio Saturday for an 8 p.m. concert at San Antonio College and remain overnight for a "Sermon in Song" program at the Sunday morning services of Ashbury Methodist Church.

The Jones Hall concert is scheduled April 19 and HemisFair April 27.

Other cities to be visited include El Campo April 6-7 and Caldwell April 26.

Several campus appearances are scheduled in conjunction with local events, including Aggie Muster April 22.

The group concludes its activities with a May 3 concert in Bryan Civic Auditorium, followed the next day by a noon picnic and evening awards banquet and dance at A&M's Memorial Student Center.

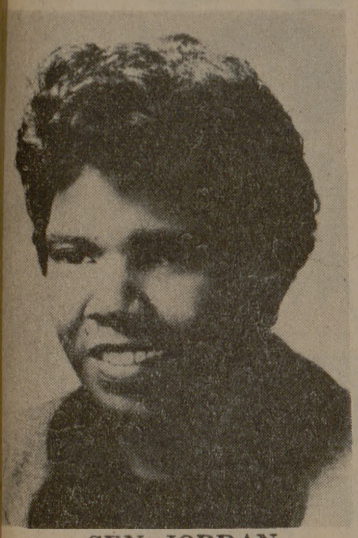
Mrs. June Biering, the Singing Cadets' pianist-accompanist, will join in the tour.

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Senator Jordan To Speak Here At Noon Friday

An examination of state politics during the current gubernatorial campaign will be conducted here Friday by State Senator Barbara Jordan of Houston.

Texas' first Negro woman senator will speak on "Texas Politics in 1968" at noon Friday in a Political Forum. Bill Preston of Henderson, forum chairman, said admission is free to the Great Issues presentation.

Senator Jordan has represented District 11 two years, becoming the first Negro to serve in the Texas Senate in 85 years.

She serves on the boards of several Houston and Harris County agencies and organizations, including the Council on Human Relations and Harris County Democrats steering committee.

The legislator was named to the President's Commission on Income Maintenance Programs in January and designated one of United Press International's 10 most influential women in the state last year.

Senator Income Report Proposal Defeated By 44-40 Senate Vote

By JOHN CHADWICK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate defeated 44 to 40 Wednesday a proposal to require senators to report publicly each year the amount and source of their incomes and other information about their financial affairs.

Sens. Joseph S. Clark, P-Pa., and Clifford P. Case, R-N.J., sponsored the proposal, offering it as a substitute for a part-public, part-confidential disclosure plan recommended by the Senate ethics committee.

They said full public disclosure would serve as a deterrent to misconduct and let the people know whether senators have any private interests likely to conflict with their public responsibilities.

But opponents contended it

would intrude on senators' privacy, turn them into "class B citizens," and unfairly reflect on their honesty.

Under the committee's plan, senators would have to file for public inspection each year a report of contributions they had received and also honorariums of more than \$300 for speeches, articles, television appearances and similar activities.

They also would have to file a sealed report listing data about their private financial interests and holdings, along with copies of their income tax returns.

The report would be kept confidential except that the ethics committee, by majority vote, could obtain access to it in connection with an investigation of charges of misconduct.



STANDING WATCH AT KHE SANH
A young U. S. marine, Cpl. Paul Maynor of West Monroe, La., sleeps in trench at the Marine base at Khe Sanh as his dog, Lady, stands guard near him. The Marine found Lady in Khe Sanh area a few months ago. He uses rope leash to keep her from running off as he sleeps. (AP Wirephoto)

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University National Bank
"On the side of Texas A&M"
—Adv.

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

Town Hall Staff Deadline Friday

Prospective Town Hall Staff juniors have until 5 p.m. tomorrow to apply for the positions, Lewis Adams, Town Hall chairman-elect, noted Wednesday.

The applications may be picked up in the Student Programs Office of the Memorial Student Center.

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