

The Battalion

Weather
Friday — Clear, partly cloudy, winds Northeast 15-20 m.p.h. High 61, low 43.
Saturday — Partly cloudy, winds East 10-15 m.p.h. High 66, low 49.

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Busy Finish Set By Singing Cadets

Two months packed with musical action remain for the Singing Cadets in the 1967-68 school year. Fourteen performances are set for the 51-voice group before one of the busiest years in its history ends May 18. At that time, the Cadets will have completed 48 shows while traveling more than 6,000 miles. And their efforts will have been viewed by millions of people. Most of these, undoubtedly, watched the Cadets in a feature role on the nationally televised Mike Douglas Show filmed in Philadelphia.

Director Robert L. (Bob) Boone, who also sings solos during most group performances, lauds the Singing Cadets and Pianist-Accompanist June Biering for their contribution to A&M.

"THE TIME and energy these men and June sacrifice to receive no more recognition than they do is quite a feather in their caps," he emphasized. "They are highly praised everywhere we go. The Cadets are complimented for being neat, clean-cut and gentlemanly both on and off-stage."

The remaining schedule:
April 5—A&M Civil Engineering Department, Ramada Inn, College Station, 8:30 p.m.
April 6—El Campo High School, 8 p.m.

April 7—First Presbyterian Church, El Campo, 11 a.m., "Sermon in Song."
April 19—Morning Show, 7:30 a.m., KHOU-TV, Channel 11, Houston; Jones Hall Concert, 8 p.m., sponsored by the Houston A&M Mothers' Club.

APRIL 21—Spring Branch Baptist Church, Houston, 11 a.m. "Sermon in Song;" Aggie Muster, time to be announced.

April 22—Electrical Relay Conference, A&M.
April 26—Caldwell High School, 2:45 p.m.; A&M Board, Faculty-Staff Dinner, time TBA.

April 27—HemisFair, 1 p.m., one-hour show at the Amphitheater.

May 3—Community Concert, Bryan Municipal Auditorium, 8 p.m., sponsored by the Brazos County A&M Mothers' Club.

May 11—Federation of A&M Mothers' Clubs, Memorial Student Center Ballroom, 10:30 a.m.

May 18—Bryan District Lionettes, Ramada Inn, time TBA.

Another big day for the musical ambassadors of A&M is set May 4. That's Singing Cadets' Day, which includes a noon picnic at Hensel Park and an awards banquet and dance in the evening at the MSC.

Juniors Begin Ring Orders

From 40 to 50 students a day have been by the Registrar's Office this week to check their eligibility for ordering the A&M ring, according to Ring Clerk Mrs. Louise J. Brownlee.

"Students who have 95 semester hours, including the hours passed at the April 1 mid-term grade report, leave their names with me to check their hours with the records," Mrs. Brownlee said.

She added that she will begin taking orders and measuring sizes for the A&M rings April 16.

"Eligible students may then order either the 18-weight (\$35.55) or the 16-weight (\$33.68) rings," Mrs. Brownlee explained.

"Aggies prefer by far the ring that is the biggest and the blackest," she noted.

Mrs. Brownlee said that rings ordered before May 31 would be distributed soon after they are received in the Registrar's Office.

"Former students also purchase A&M rings at the same prices plus \$3.50 extra for their graduation years," she said.

Senate Votes To Repeat '70 Presidential Election

Ballot Committee Criticized Sharply

By CHARLES ROWTON
Battalion Editor

In a motion expressing discontent with the handling of last Thursday's class elections, the Student Senate voted to rehold the election for the presidency of the Class of 1970 Tuesday.

The Senate acted at a special meeting called for the purpose of letting John R. Gingrich, a candidate for the office, present a formal protest that certain facets of the election were not properly conducted.

The motion, as worded by Bob Collins, a civilian graduate student member of the Senate proposed:
"Since the Election Commission has handled the election fairly and at an inopportune time, I move that the election for this office be held again."

The motion passed by a 22-1 margin, with Election Commission Chairman Tony Benedetto casting the dissenting vote.

ALTHOUGH GINGRICH was the only junior class president candidate protesting the results of the election, the motion places all the original candidates for the office back on the ballot.

This group is composed of Gingrich, John C. Otto, Albert Reinert, Collier Watson, John F. MacGillis, John Maline, Robert Bowling, and Allen D. Janacek.

It was decided to delete the office of junior class president from today's runoff election and conduct a separate election Tuesday for the office in question, with a runoff slated for sometime after the Easter holidays.

THE DECISION to delay the voting until Tuesday was made because the Senate did not think it would be fair to hold the election today without notice in advance to the candidates.

This was the second attempt by Gingrich to protest the conduct of the election. His first attempt, at a Monday open meeting of the Election Commission, was disallowed.

His argument hinged on two factors.

"I believe that the passing out of sample ballots in the MSC on election day is a gross violation of the standards set up by the University Regulations concerning campaigning," he stated.

Gingrich said in a letter to the Election Commission that he believed "this practice coerced a

large number of students to vote against their better judgment."

THE BALLOT in question was a list of the civilian students running for the various offices.

Gingrich had signed statements from several people saying they did not have time to vote due to long lines, Army drill, or class conflicts.

Benedetto said the time spent waiting in line to vote averaged from one to one and one-half hours.

Gingrich had also circulated a petition which had been signed by more than 300 sophomores that proposed the inclusion of Gingrich's name on the runoff ballot of University Regulations that occurred during the March 28 election.

SENATOR Clarence Daugherty said he did not see anything wrong with the possession of the ballots in the MSC but agreed that if the ballots were passed out to students waiting to vote, campaign guidelines had been violated.

Gingrich then presented several signed letters confirming the passing out of the ballot in question to civilian students in the election line.

The Election Commission was openly criticized for allowing the discrepancies to exist. Benedetto admitted that "there were certain discrepancies."

He also said that only two of the many documents Gingrich presented to the Senate were also presented to the Election Commission.

"IF HE HAD presented all of this material to the Election Commission Monday, we might have decided in his favor," Benedetto added.

Gingrich was obviously pleased at the Senate decision.

"I'm happy that the Student Senate decided that there was something wrong with the elections and decided to take positive action on the matter," he said.

Benedetto also presented a list of grievances concerning the Election Commission to the Senate for study.

He requested that members of the Election Commission be given excused absences the days elections were conducted and proposed an increase in the Commission size.

A motion was passed approving the first request and the second was referred to the Issues Committee for study.

In other Senate business, Welfare Committee Chairman Eddie Travis proposed that the Student Body of Texas A&M, through the Student Senate, appropriate \$150 to sponsor an orphan through the Christian Children's Fund. The motion passed with the stipulation that the orphan be from the United States.



IT'S SENIOR RING TIME
Charles Wallis of Company C-2, Squadron Six First Sergeant Mike McAnely and John L. Scoggin fill out preliminary senior ring information cards with clerk Mrs. Louise Brownlee. Orders will be taken for the rings April 16. See story, adjoining column. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Run-Off Election To Decide Seven Class Officer Posts

By BOB PALMER
Battalion Staff Writer
Voting will continue until 7:30 p.m. in the basement of the Me-

Of the presidential posts one will be decided.

The run-off for junior president was thrown out by the Student Senate Wednesday night. The entire election with all previous candidates will be held Tuesday for that position.

Early Davis was elected senior president in last Thursday's election.

Election Commission Chairman Tony Benedetto said that all voters must present an identification and activity card.

"CLOTHING regulations will also be strictly enforced," Benedetto declared. In the earlier election, several students were turned away because of clothing.

Election results will be posted on the door of the MSC Student Program Office shortly after the polls close.

In the sophomore presidential election, Michael Schilhab, a civilian, faces Gary J. Martin, who is in the Corps. Schilhab had more votes than Martin in the first election, but the large number of candidates kept him from a majority.

Parliamentarian. Same requirements as president.

Chairmen for Issues, Student Life, Public Relations and Student Welfare Committees. Except for needing a 1.25 GPR, the requirements are the same as for the president.

President, Vice - President and Treasurer of the Civilian Student Council. Candidates must have a 1.5 overall and a 1.25 GPR last semester and any undergraduate classification.

morial Student Center in the run-off election for class officers.

Two Corps members vie for the senior vice-presidency. Danny McCauley, who had 185 votes in the general election, opposes Bud Welch, who polled 121.

IN THE run-off for senior secretary-treasurer, Bob Foley is running against Lonnie H. Mc-Gaughy.

The last senior office still in contention, historian, finds Don Wayne Bonifay opposing Ronnie Wise.

Jimmy D. Dunham and Kenneth E. Graeber are running the contest for junior vice-president. Graeber was high man in the earlier balloting with 261, Dunham had 194.

Sophomores will choose between Daniel L. Swords and Roberta Van Ness for secretary-treasurer.

The social secretary race finds Ronald Bruce Smith opposing James St. John.

Charles R. Hoffman is running against Michael J. McKean for sophomore V.P. Hoffman led the balloting with 203 votes, while McKean fielded 132.

Minze To Get ROTC Award At National Meet In New York

Lonnie C. Minze of Houston, cadet colonel of the Corps, will be honored next week as the outstanding Air Force ROTC cadet of a six-state area at the Arnold Air Society national conclave.

Minze will receive the W. Randolph Lovelace Memorial Award as the top cadet of an AFROTC Area including Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Kansas and New Mexico.

A&M's highest ranking cadet and Frank Davis III of Ellington AFB, a pre-law junior and sergeant major of the Second Wing, will represent A&M at the society conclave Sunday through Wednesday in New York's Statler-Hilton Hotel.

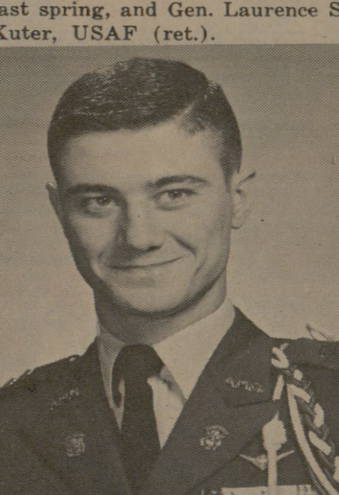
Cadets and members of "Angel Flight," coed auxiliary in attendance will represent 169 of the nation's colleges and universities.

Minze will be one of five cadets to receive area awards. A&M's AFROTC detachment named him to represent the university in the area competition. The senior aerospace engineering major was selected by Air University officials over nominees from 20 colleges in the area including Tex-

as, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Cadets and angels will elect new national officers and plan 1968-69 school year activities at the 20th Arnold Air Society conclave.

Featured speakers will include Gen. John P. McConnell, Air Force chief of staff; Lt. Gen. John W. Carpenter III, Air University commander who made A&M's commissioning address last spring, and Gen. Laurence S. Kuter, USAF (ret.).



Lonnie C. Minze

Forum To Feature Candidates For Consolidated School Board

A&M Consolidated school board candidates will discuss their views on serving the district at a College Station Progress Association forum tonight.

CSPA President William G. Adkins said the 7:30 p.m. public information forum will be in the Consolidated High School Auditorium.

Election to fill three vacancies on the seven-man board will be held Saturday. The polling place will be at the Consolidated Junior High music room. Ballots may be cast between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Adkins said 11 candidates for the three school board vacancies will be heard at the association's third forum.

They include Dr. O. C. Cooper, physician; Roy Kelly, dairyman, and Texas A&M faculty-staff members Edwin H. Fenner, Engineering Experiment Station administrator; Bill Gard, biochemistry and biophysics inven-

tor; Pieter Groot, oceanography administrative officer; Dr. Robert Wick, nuclear engineering; Allen Linton, custodial foreman; Stanley H. Lowy, aerospace engineering; Dr. Eli Whiteley, soil and crop sciences; Lambert Wilkes, agricultural engineering, and Dr. A. B. Wooten, agricultural economics.

Wooten is the only incumbent.

Kiwanis Clubs Set 'Aunt Jemima Day'

The Bryan-College Station Kiwanis Clubs are sponsoring their 16th annual Aunt Jemima Pancake Day from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday at the National Guard Armory, 1700 E. 25th, Bryan.

Tickets at \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12 may be obtained at the door or from any Kiwanis Club member.

General chairmen of Pancake Day are Perry W. Shirley of Bryan and Walter H. Parsons Jr. of College Station.



DUNCAN AREA EXCAVATION
Workmen supervise the lowering of a drain pipe between Dormitories 5 and 7 in the Duncan area. The scene has been repeated recently throughout the area as work begins on inter-dorm lounges. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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