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Riot Shortens Team's Visit In Washington

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The Fish Drill Team Friday improved on last year's surprising second-place finish in the National ROTC Drill Competition in Washington, D. C., taking the meet's top trophy with an 869-point total.

Rioting in the nation's capital following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King forced cancellation of virtually all Cherry Blossom Festival events except the competition. Team advisors decided to cut short the team's stay as a result of the violence and subsequent curfews.

The team was to march in the Festival parade Saturday, but officials at the meet notified them of the cancellation.

AS SMOKE from the burning city began filling the sky west of the D. C. Stadium parking lot where the 20 drill units were performing, the fish went through their eight-minute routine with almost uncanny precision, handily outscoring the St. Peter's College team's 838 total. The Jersey City, N. J., team had been far ahead of other competitors during much of the afternoon.

Defending champion Villanova, one of two outstanding units to march after the fish, posted 807

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on the 1,000-point scale. Rutgers' fourth-place 803 had been tops since mid-morning.

The championship was the first for a team from the South or Southwest.

FACULTY ADVISOR Malon Southerland praised the team's dedication and performance, noting that its routine was more complex than those of the other units.

"Our drill is a great deal like a difficult dive, such as a one-and-a-half forward somersault with a full twist," he explained. "A diver who performs it moderately well scores better than another who executes a jackknife better.

"But in rifle drill," he added, "it's up to the judge to assess the degree of difficulty."

The team's performance drew appreciative comments from several spectators, particularly when they learned the unit was the only all-freshman team in the meet. Fifteen of the 20 fish had never marched with a drill team before this year, Southerland said.

THE DRILL, which included the "Reese March" honoring former team sponsor Maj. Calvin Reese, demonstrated even more polish than did the performance which helped the FDT win A&M's Invitational Meet last month. The team performed without dropping a rifle or bumping a helmet, and never appeared to falter even momentarily.

The first-place trophy, a 14-inch replica of the Washington Monument, was presented to Team Commander Sammy Garcia of Squadron 11 by one of the judges, Maj. Edward T. Strieben. Maj. Strieben commands the 2005th Military Police Company, which was helping supervise the meet until it was called away in mid-afternoon to join Federal troops in the riot-stricken areas of the city.

Congressmen Olin E. Teague of College Station and Bob Casey of Houston arranged Capitol and White House tours for the team and its advisors Friday morning. Casey, whose son Mike is the team's junior advisor, secured a vacant House committee hearing room in the Sam Rayburn Office Building for the team members' preparations for competition.

THE CASEY family also hosted barbecue for the team Saturday. When rioting forced a Friday evening curfew, Rep. Casey obtained a pass to get the team's bus from their YMCA quarters, several blocks away from the furthest advance of looting, to his home for dinner that night.

Due to cancellation of the parade and the closing of Washington points of interest after the outbreak of violence, the team returned to College Station Saturday instead of Sunday as originally scheduled. The two charter airplanes were met at Easterwood Airport by a crowd of 30 to 40 well-wishers that included Col. J. H. McCoy, Corps commandant, and Aggie Sweetheart Kathy Heldman.

Although the highlight of the ball will be the crowning of the civilian student sweetheart, an added attraction will be a floor show featuring song and dance routines by the Unforgettables. Clarence Green and the Rhythmaires of Houston, who, according to Schilhab, "get better as the night goes on," will provide the dance music for the Costume Ball. "For next year's Civilian Student Weekend, I hope that some activities will be planned for Friday," Schilhab said.

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A&M Faces AAUP Censure For Handling Of Gibbs' Case

Krise Says List 'Not Place To Be'

By MIKE PLAKE

Texas A&M faces possible censure by the American Association of University Professors at its annual convention in Washington, D.C., April 26 and 27.

A motion to reprimand or blacklist the university may be brought from the floor of that convention because of an AAUP investigating committee's findings, published in the AAUP midwinter bulletin this year.

The committee visited the A&M campus in April, 1967 to investigate the case of Dr. Leon W. Gibbs, a faculty member since 1949.

Its report states that Dr. Gibbs was informed May 1, 1965, that his services as a classroom instructor in the College of Veterinary Medicine would be terminated August 31, 1965.

"My department head told me orally in May, 1965, that my job was being terminated as of the end of August of that year," Dr. Gibbs said.

According to the committee's report, Dr. Gibbs said that his professional competence was not questioned and "the only mention of the reason for his dismissal concerned his marital difficulties."

The report stated that after two years, Dr. Gibbs has yet to receive a written statement of reasons for his peculiar position at A&M.

"I'VE HEARD nothing from the university administration since I appeared before President Rudder about a month ago," Gibbs said. "At that time, I refused to accept his offer to help me get a job elsewhere."

According to the AAUP report, Dr. Gibbs was told in August, 1965, by the Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine to submit a request to be transferred to the Department of Veterinary Anatomy, research status.

"He did so, with reluctance, because teaching was his primary academic interest, and he believed he could better serve the university as a teacher than as a researcher," the report stated.

A&M President Earl Rudder said, "Gibbs requested the research and he got the job."

"THEY FORCED it on me," Gibbs said.

Dr. George Krise, president of the campus chapter of the AAUP, said that when a committee "goes to the trouble of writing and publishing their report of a situation, censure to that institution usually follows."

A&M President Earl Rudder said,

"I don't know why the AAUP should do anything at their meet—(See AAUP Censure, Page 2)

Election For '70 President Slated Today

Voting will continue until 7:30 p.m. tonight for the presidency of the Class of 1970.

Eight candidates' names were included on the ballot but only four planned to actively campaign for the position.

The election was originally held with the other class elections March 28 with John MacGillis and Robert L. Bowling, both civilians, garnering runoff berths.

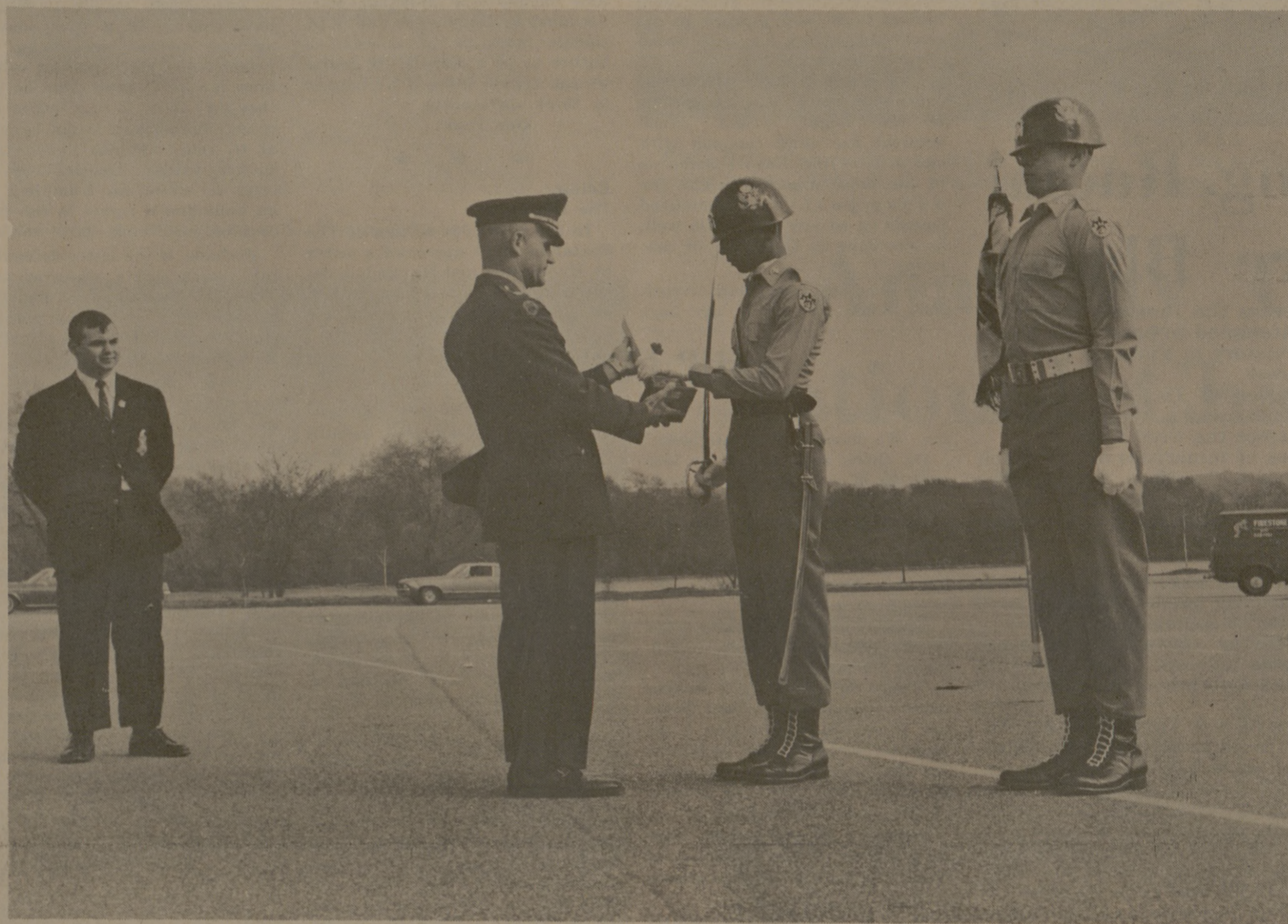
However, John Gingrich, who missed winning a runoff position by two votes, protested certain discrepancies he believed were in violation of Election Commission regulations to the Election Commission and the Student Senate. His protest was disallowed by the Election Commission, but the decision was reversed by an appeal to the Senate.

Other candidates include Albert J. Reinert, John C. Otto, John P. Maline, Allen D. Janacek, and Collier R. Watson.

The Senate passed a motion condemning the manner in which the Election Commission handled the election and calling for a new election only for the presidency for the Class of 1970, since that was the only office about which a protest was registered.

MacGillis protested the Senate action because all the people involved were not notified of the meeting to consider Gingrich's protest. His protest to have the previous decision reversed was voted down in a secret ballot, 15-9.

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HERE'S YOURS

Maj. Edward T. Strieben, commander of the 2005th Military Police Company and one of the judges at the Cherry Blossom Festival competition, presents the meet's first-place trophy to Sammy Garcia, Fish Drill Team commander. At right is Fred Hofstetter, the team's guidon bearer. (Photo by John Fuller)

5th Dimension To Appear

Civilian Weekend Set April 27

By DAVE MAYES
Battalion Staff Writer

Civilian students must exchange their dormitory activity cards for tickets for Civilian Student Weekend festivities by April 23, according to Larry Schilhab, weekend committee chairman.

Schilhab said that civilian dormitory counselors would distribute the barbecue and dance tickets for the April 27 civilian affair in

return for fall and spring activity cards.

"A STUDENT who does not have a fall activity card will have to buy dance tickets at \$3 a couple; if he doesn't have a spring activity card, he will have to pay \$1 per person for barbecue tickets," he explained.

Civilians may buy dance tickets at the door but must purchase barbecue tickets by April 23, Schilhab noted.

He added that no more dormitory activity cards are being sold.

The noon barbecue in the Grove will kick-off the all-day Saturday civilian festivities.

"Following the barbecue, at about 1:30 p.m., field day activities will begin on the civil engineering survey field east of the Cyclotron," Schilhab said.

THE FEATURE event is an inter-dormitory tug-of-war tournament.

"A 3-foot mud pit will occupy the space between contesting teams, so naturally one of the first rules made was that dormitory presidents must be the first men on the rope," Schilhab said, grinning.

"Housemasters will be second," he added.

At 7 p.m., Town Hall will present The 5th Dimension, a versatile quintet with a modernistic approach to pop music, in G. Rolie White Coliseum.

CATAPULTED to the top of the recording industry by their "Go Where You Wanna Go" and "Up, Up and Away," the 5th Dimension promises to bring to the A&M campus "a repertoire that runs the gamut from soul to pop... a joyous blend of rich harmonies, vibrant excitement and that unique five-dimensional sound."

"Mardi Gras" is the theme of the Costume Ball which begins at 9 a.m. in Sbisla Dining Hall.

"Civilians are encouraged to wear costumes, but it is not mandatory," Schilhab said.

He suggested that dress for those not wearing costumes be sport coat and tie for men and "after five" party dresses for women.

Schilhab added that prizes will be given for the best couples in costume.

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Marine General To Speak At A&M Muster Ceremony

By BOB PALMER
Battalion Staff Writer

Marine Maj. Gen. Wood B. Kyle, a 1936 graduate of A&M, will be the principal speaker at Muster here April 21, according to Don McLeroy, the Student Senate's Student Life chairman.

The annual Muster will be called at 6 p.m. San Jacinto Day on the lawn of the Systems Building.

The Roll Call for the Absent will include an Aggie buddy of Gen. Kyle. Marine Maj. Gen. Bruno A. Hochmuth, Class of '35, relieved Gen. Kyle as commander of the 3rd Marine Division in Vietnam, where he was killed in action earlier this year.

GEN. KYLE, who now commands the 5th Marine Division at Camp Pendleton, California, saw his first action as a second lieutenant in 1937 when he stormed ashore with the 2nd Marine Brigade in Shanghai, China. Serving as an infantry battalion commander on Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, and Tin-

ian, Gen. Kyle earned two silver stars, a purple heart, and a field promotion to lieutenant colonel.

He was cited for outstanding leadership and gallantry, in particular for the Guadalcanal and Tarawa campaigns.

From 1945 to 1966, Gen. Kyle served on various staffs, chiefly in charge of operations for the division. He also commanded the 4th Marines of the 3rd Marine Division during that time.

IN MARCH 1966 he was promoted to major general and as-

signed as commanding general of the 3rd Marine Division in Vietnam.

While in Vietnam, Gen. Kyle was in command of all U. S. ground forces in the two northern provinces during the initial North Vietnamese invasion across the Demilitarized Zone during July 1966.

For his service in Vietnam, the general was awarded the U. S. Distinguished Service Medal, the Vietnamese Order of Merit and Gallantry Cross with Palm.

Student Found Dead

The body of John Alvin Stockhoff, freshman pre-med student was found this morning on the floor of his third story room in Dormitory 20. He apparently had been dead for two or three days.

Alton P. Boyett, Jr., justice of the peace, continued his investigation this afternoon. He ordered an autopsy.

Odors prompted students to call janitorial personnel about 10:30 a. m. The nude body was lying partly in a clothes closet. A mop handle was extended across the inside of the closet. Part of a belt remained on the handle; another piece was on the neck of the body. A foot locker was near the closet door.

Campus security officers investigated the possibility of suicide, aided by Texas Ranger O. L. Luther of Bryan.



QUEEN AND KING COTTON

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Wright of San Antonio was crowned Queen Cotton here Saturday night at the 34th annual Cotton Pageant and Ball. The 21-year-old wife of third-year veterinary student James Wright reigned with King Cotton, Roger Bippert of La Coste, a senior agronomy major.

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