

APPEARS TO BE old stuff to Miss America. Pamela ldred, as she yawns during a rehearsal for the Miss America pageant in Atlanta City convention hall. (AP)



SAIGON (AP) - A senior allied mmander said Wednesday a orth Vietnamese force equal to ive divisions is poised for a hrust against the populated oastal lowlands in South Vietam's northern provinces.

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The announcement was made as North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces attacks in the northm sector of South Vietnam.

South Vietnamese Lt. Gen. Hoang Xuan Lam did not forecast the time of a new Communist command offensive, but other allied commanders have been predicting an enemy drive in late October or early November when the monsoons hit the north. He said 15 North Vietnamese regiments of regulars—equal to five divisions-have been detect-

ed in the 1st Region. Lam's assessment of the North, eported by the government news gency, Vietnam Press, came as he North Vietnamese stepped up

their shellings and ground assaults against allied bases in the sensitive sector.

Two new attacks were reported in Quang Ngai Province in the wake of the severe setback in the sector suffered by South Vietnamese forces Tuesday. In that attack. North Vietnamese troops shelled and assaulted a district headquarters and a ranger camp, killing at least 34 South Vietna-

mese troops and one American adviser, and wounding 42 South Vietnamese and three U.S. advisers. One of the new attacks hit at

an American artillery fire base named Stinson, headquarters of a unit of the 198th Infantry Brigade 8½ miles northwest of Quang Ngai City.

In the other assault, enemy troops struck at a government outpost 18 miles southeast of Quang Ngai City, the capital of the province.

Campus Briefs

Marine selection team to explain commissions

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The Marine Corps' officer selection team will make its first 1970-71 visit next week to explain Corps programs leading to commissions.

Capt. R. E. Crane of the Marine Corps' Officer Selection Office in Austin, will head the team. He will be assisted by Capt. Gene Hughes from New Orleans and Sgt. Robert Stephens of Austin. The Marine Corps representatives will operate an information booth in the Memorial Student Center Monday through Thursday to answer questions concerning

officer programs. They will emphasize the Platoon Leaders Class (PLC) Program which offers students a choice as either ground officers or Naval aviators.

Students enrolled in the PLC Program, Capt. Crane explained, are only required to complete two six-week summer sessions at Quantico, Va., prior to graduation and commissioning.

The Marine Corps also offers an OCS commissioning program for persons who have already received their college degrees.

While on campus, Capt. Crane will meet with members of A&M's Semper Fidelis Society at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 146 of the Physics Building. The Semper Fidelis Society, the Marine Corps' national collegiate organization, is primarily composed of students participating in the PLC Pro-

gram. * * * **Biology textbook**

has been translated An introductory biology textbook authored by Dr. Johannes van Overbeek of A&M has been translated into Portuguese for distribution in Brazil.

Dr. van Overbeek, head of the Biology Department and director of the Institute of Life Sciences, said the paperback primer, "The Lore of Living Plants," also is being translated into Hindi at the University of Delhi.

The 160-page text was primarily written for junior and senior high school students but has been recommended for broad-

The English version was produced by the National Science Teachers Association in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service. It was published by Scholastic Book Services, a division of Scholastic Magazines Inc. of New York.

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New problems book for design graphics

A new problems book in use this Fall in Engineering Design Graphics 105 classes is co-authored by faculty members of that department.

"Engineering Graphics and Design Problems 5" will also be published by Addison-Wesley for use by other colleges and universities after this semester, according to Dr. James H. Earle, head. A new edition is written each year.

Listed as co-authors with Earle are professors S. M. Cleland and L. E. Stark, associate professors P. M. Mason, N. B. Bardell, and R. F. Vogel, assistant professor J. T. Coppinger, and M. P. Guerard. instructor.

Approximately 60 schools have used the department's earlier problems books, Earle said. The manual is used in conjunction with a textbook, "Engineering Design Graphics" written by Earle and published by Addison-Wesley in 1969.

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Firemen's training to open in Abilene

Texas A&M's Firemen's Training School will conduct the 16th annual Fire Marshal Conference in Abilene Sept. 22 and 23, announced Chief Instructor Henry D. Smith.

Programs are aimed at fire marshals, fire chiefs and fire department members interested in improvement and advancement of fire prevention and control, Smith said.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, in the Central Fire Station, Second and Mulberry Streets.

Qualified speakers and discussion leaders will present topics of current interest. Question and

tion system emergencies, hazardous chemicals, interviewing witnesses and use of the polygraph, the Lubbock tornado and presenting news to the news media.

The Texas Education Agency cooperates in the program with the Firemen's Training School, a division of the Engineering Extension Service at Texas A&M.

* * * APO to sponsor smoker Thursday

The Xi Delta chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, will orient prospective members at a pledge smoker Thursday at A&M.

The 8:15 p.m. coat-and-tie event (Class A summer uniform for Cadet Corps members) will be in the Memorial Student Center Assembly Room, announced public relations chairman Tommy Weaver of Waco.

Connie Eckard, Association of Former Students publications director, will speak.

The smoker will enable pledges to learn about APO functions. Refreshments will be served along with cigars, Weaver said.

* * * **Firemen's training** to begin program

The Texas Firemen's Training School will conduct a six-week recruit firemen program beginning Sept. 28, announced Chief Instructor Henry D. Smith.

Open to recruit and probationary firemen from municipalities and industries, the course is the first of its kind held in Texas and will be a pilot program for study by other states.

FTS Instructor David White will coordinate the program. White said classes will be lim-

ited to 16. The total six-week cost is \$244, including fees, housing and meals.

Classes will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily at the Brayton Fire Training Field. Instructors include FTS staff members and fire chiefs from Bryan, College Station and A&M fire departments.

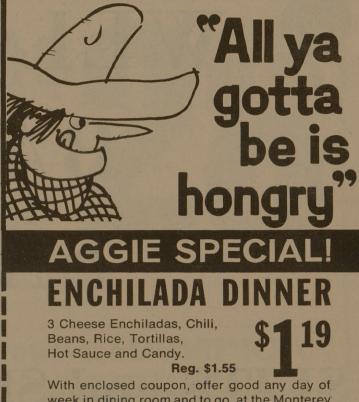
White pointed out the recruits will receive training in basic fire-

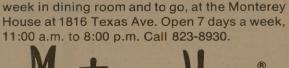
prevention programs, transporta- lege Station as part of the training program.

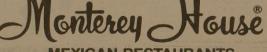
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