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MR. VICE-PRESIDENT, Ken Phelps, assumes his duties as a result of recent campus elections (see page 3). Phelps, a freshman, is a Richfield High graduate.

Lupe Diaz Moves About Campus With Classmates' Instructors' Aid

BY LINDA EASON

"Lupe, how's your leg?" "It feels great!" answers optimistic Lupe Diaz, concerning his broken leg.

While rearranging tables in the bookstore on the afternoon of August 21, Lupe received a

broken leg when a table stacked with history books collapsed on him. Since then, life on campus has been considerably complicated for Lupe. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays Lupe carries his cast and crutches while a friend carries his books. On Tuesdays and Thursdays he carries only one book along with his cast and crutches.

But then, Lupe considers himself lucky to be in school at all - - - and not in the hospital. He registered two weeks late and his teachers have offered him free time to help him catch up in his assignments.

Mrs. Ruth Ballard, auditing instructor, suggested a room on the campus for Lupe if he found transportation to and from the campus too difficult. A former library storage room behind the audio-visual room in the dorm was cleared out and furnished with the aid of several staff and faculty members.

Lupe says everyone has gone out of the way to help him. He adds, "I just wish there was a way to thank them all."

Lupe is an accounting major and has worked at the bookstore for the last year and a half.



Program Committee Listings For Year Promise Speeches, Plays, Musicals

First meeting of the Student Program Committee resulted in planning of several campus programs for the year. The committee, consisting of instructors James Henderson, Mrs. Maxine Hart, Miss Ezra Henderson, William Haskett, Head Cataloguer J.B. Cole, and student representative Sharon Barton, met September 30.

Program line-up for the

year included: Dr. Rex Kyker, Speech Department chairman at Abilene Christian College, speaking on the art of motivation; an MCC one-act play; Roland Myers, ballad singer and lecturer; and author Larry McMurtry of Rice University.

McMurtry, author of the novel and movie, "Hud," will speak in January on "Questions Writers Are Asked."

The Kyker program is planned for October 30 and the one-act play is in November.

"New Careers" Open At MCC

The New Career Program has opened this fall at MCC. It is a federally funded program to assist unemployed and underemployed youth up to age 22. Charles D. Moore is the director of the New Careers Program.

Each participating student maintains a 40-hour work week in which 26 hours are spent working in the fields of education, health, or welfare. The remaining 14 hours of work each week are spent in either remedial or academic studies, or in counseling.

The youth must be disadvantaged to the extent that he would not have otherwise been able to attend college. A high school diploma is not required for entrance. Tests are given to determine each applicant's capabilities. If not capable of college level work, the student receives remedial education.

The control intake of MCC is determined by the Concentrated Employment Program of Waco which is sponsored by the United States Department of Labor, Manpower Administration, Bureau of Work-Training Programs.

The jobs available in this program are not "dead-end" jobs. Each line of work offered has the possibility of upward mobility. Minimum pay is \$1.00 an hour while students are enrolled in the course.

Fund for Quick Loans, Grants Helps Students' Money Needs

The establishment of a Memorial Scholarship Fund at McLennan Community College has helped a number of students in financial difficulty. This fund,

Spanish Club Sponsors Musical

The Spanish and Music divisions of MCC plan a trip to Dallas October 13, to go to the State Fair and to attend the fair musical, "Man from La Mancha."

Approximately 35 students will go to Dallas by chartered bus on Sunday morning. They will arrive in time to see the fair before the matinee performance of the play at 2:30 p.m. in the Music Hall. Some time will also be spared after the four-hour play to see more of the exhibits and stands on the fair grounds.

The students will have front row balcony seats for the performance of "Man from La Mancha," says Mrs. Oja Freeman, sponsor of the trip.

Sunday evening, the students will climb back into the bus and go to a Mexican restaurant outside Dallas for supper. Afterward, they will head for Waco, arriving late Sunday evening.

SEA Election Set Oct. 28

The MCC chapter of Texas Student Education Association is tentatively scheduled to meet October 28 in the Audio-Visual Room. The election of new officers and appointment of committee chairmen was postponed until this time due to freshman orientation. A movie, "Education of the Future," will be shown and free materials will be handed out.

Four members of the MCC Future Teacher Association will co-host the District X English Conference to be held at Waco Hall October 11. Those members are as follows: Cindy Mack, Janet Lee, Mrs. Georgia Foubton, and Judy Hillwell.

Loans, Grants Money Needs

Inspired by memorial contributions in the name of Melanie Bruck, MCC student who succumbed to a long-standing heart condition during classes last spring, was designed to be used for short-term loans or grants to students who are in need of money.

Students in MCC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a national honor society, collected the first funds to go into the scholarship fund. Miss Bruck was vice-president elect of the honor society at the time of her death.

At present, all of the money in the fund has been used.

"The fund is available for contributions from all students and friends of the college," MCC President Wilbur Ball said. He indicated that the college would be prepared to acknowledge memorial contributions and that such contributions would be tax deductible.

Checks can be made payable to McLennan Community College, Memorial Scholarship Fund. Cash gifts can be made at the MCC Office of Financial Aid.



NEW CAREERS coordinators Mary Ann Neulley and Earl Ford talk over some of the guideline literature provided by the Labor Department. Miss Neulley will handle training of nurse aides while Ford will organize teacher aide course of instruction.

Editorial

BY LYNN KENNEDY

Election day approaches and there is much speculation concerning who will win the race for the White House. The most recent local indication comes from the Charles Kennedy Poll. Findings of this private poll indicated if the presidential election were held today, and if the only eligible voters were students in Kennedy's government classes, the election would be close but "Tricky Dick" would be the winner. The complete returns were: "Dearest Dick", 55 votes; "George-of-the-Jungle" Wallace, 47 votes; and a not-so-smiling Vice-President Hubert Who? 22 votes.

Who are these 125 students who decided the fate of our nation for the next four years? They are sophomores and most of them live at home with their parents. Perhaps they have yet to form opinions of their own, and this poll could reflect the parent's choice.

Taken in this light, the poll results became much more realistic. Texas usually tends to vote conservative. Nixon and Humphrey are both relatively conservative until compared

with Wallace. Nixon seems the more popular of the two conservative candidates and Humphrey appears to be the more liberal; therefore, Nixon receives the majority of the votes.

Where does that leave Wallace? Hitch-hiking back to Alabama? Well, maybe not. George is coming on strong with an appeal to basic human drives, and this is winning him a substantial number of votes. Because of his humble background and his "red, white, and blue log-cabin" tactics, he has stirred the imagination of the common man. He has, in fact, stirred imaginations so vigorously that the public wants to know more about him than the promises he has made. Their spinning minds may yet inquire about his record as the governor of the backward state of Alabama.

Are any of the candidates really worthy of your vote? Well, maybe not. But this year it is very important that we pick a man that is the least offensive to our nature; vote, in the words of a campaign commercial, like the whole world depends upon it.

Adult Education Department Custom-Builds Class Offerings

BY SUSAN JONES

The Adult Education Department of McLennan Community College, under direction of James Summers, is a specialized service available to county residents to improve individual efficiency in a vocation or avocation.

The program of classes includes various professional improvement courses, such as banking, real estate, and insurance, and can involve several "fun courses, such as sculpturing, painting, and poodle grooming. "Custom-built" courses can be developed and taught when a demand is met. All classes are taught by trained instructors with a knowledge of the subject and an ability to teach effectively.

One instructor is Mrs. Ruby Barber, switchboard and PBX operator for Owens-Illinois in Waco. Mrs. Barber teaches a public relations course in the telephone operation. Said Mrs. Barber, "Most of our students are secretaries, receptionists, PBX operators, and persons seeking a skill in order to obtain a high-paying job." Mrs. Barber was asked to teach because of her qualification of 25 years' service at Owens-Illinois.

The Snelling & Snelling placement office of Waco provides instructors in the personnel management field. Joseph Stone teaches in 10 to 12 phases of personnel management. Stone agrees that the Adult Education program is highly beneficial to the people of McLennan County.

"Since the courses are not taught on the credit level," said Stone, students are easier to reach and the courses are easily taught. I think the program is excellent for persons who want to better themselves. I have myself taken a few courses, in-

cluding the "Indexing the Mind" memory course."

The Adult Education program benefits the individual by providing opportunities for self-improvement. He can also broaden the scope of his knowledge of the world around him in the business, professional, and personal fields.

Registration is open at all times in the Adult Education office to provide ample opportunity for anyone to enroll. As soon as ten people register for a class, it begins. Tuition varies with the length of the class. The non-credit courses are offered every evening with varying times and lengths.

The classes are unique in that an outline of instruction is formulated by the teacher and the students who may add or delete any details they feel should be altered. This point gives the students a hand in the instruction of the course.

Summers summed up the program's purpose by saying, "It meets the needs of the people."

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The Herald welcomes letters to the editor. Publication of signed letters will receive thorough consideration.

Air Base Named for War Hero Almost Forgotten by Wacoans

BY TERRY FISHER

Editors Note: This article was prepared last spring by the Herald's editor.

In May of 1925 a fifteen year old boy was graduated without fanfare or special acclaim from high school in Waco, Texas. He came from a poor family. His father died when the boy was ten; his mother worked constantly to insure his education. Twenty years later the young Wacoan would share a common grave with nine of his fallen comrades.

The interment of James Thomas Connally in Jefferson Davis Cemetery at St. Louis, Missouri in the late summer of 1945 marked the end of one of the most colorful and honored careers in the history of military aviation.

Hard work seemed always to be a part of young James Connally's life. After the death of his father he lived with his mother and grandmother taking whatever jobs he could get to keep the home together and stay in school. He was active in high school athletics and was a better than average student. But Jimmy Connally was from the lower class of Waco and when the May, 1925, issues of the local paper began to feature stories and pictures of area high school graduates he was somehow overlooked.

With high school behind him James devoted almost all of his time to work. College seemed like a cruel dream just out of reach for him and might never have gone except for his mother. Mrs. Connally never accepted for a minute that her son should stop short of any goal. She constantly reminded him of the importance of higher education. In the fall of 1927 the family scraped together all it's financial resources and James went off to College Station to enroll in Texas A&M. He returned home the next summer, broke and somewhat doubtful of his future.

His mother would not relent, however. She and his grandmother planted a garden and raised chickens. They picked beans and sold eggs and never once let James mention giving up college. He returned to A & M in the fall of 1929 and was graduated three years later.

Connally's future was not to be made secure simply by a college degree. He stepped out of Texas A&M right into the bleak depression years of the 30's. Jobs were scarce and thousands were hungry and homeless. After all his years of struggle the best he could hope for was some \$30 a week clerical job stuck away in a cubbyhole of an office.

There was one agency that was hiring. They had plenty of money and offered a respectable position with chances for advancement. Mrs. Connally, rather than see her son plod through a day to day existence in central Texas, suggested that he join the Army and become an officer. And so, in 1933, James Connally embarked on a career in aviation at Randolph Field, Texas.

Flying came easy to the soft spoken likable Texan and he learned quickly. For one uneventful year after graduation he piloted a mail plane and then returned to Randolph to serve as a flying instructor. As he learned and taught and flew and worked through the hot dusty days at the San Antonio shape in Europe and Asia that would seal his fate.

When the young nordic supermen of Hitler's war machine moved across Poland, 2nd Lt. James Connally traveled to March Field, California to become part of the Army Air Corps first B-17 instructor program. France and England were at war and America soon would be. Mail pilots had to become combat pilots and time was growing short.

Two years later Connally flew the first B-17 to England and began an instructor training program for the Royal Air Force. While he was in England America was plunged into the war and Connally was reassigned to the 19th Bombardment Group. During the early days of the war with Japan 1st Lt. James Connally established himself as not only a skillful and dedicated airman but a daring and courageous soldier as well. While leading a bombing raid against Nippon shipping at Joliet he destroyed a 15,000 ton tanker and then, in the midst of a rainstorm, landed his lumbering bomber to rescue 23 stranded airmen and returned safely to his base. For this feat he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and within two years at the age of 33 was promoted to Lt. colonel.

Works for LeMay

In the bleak war months of the winter of 1942 and 1943 dynamic airmen of the the caliber of James T. Connally were rare and so he was returned to the United States to once again work in the Army Air Corps instructor program. By 1944 he was a full colonel and wearing command pilot's wings. When the United States began to take the offensive in the South Pacific Connally was transferred to General Curtis LeMay's 21st Bomber Command. The tiny coral islands of Guam, Tinian and Saipan held 1,000 B-29's, some double-parked in sand banked bunkers, looking from the air like a hornet's nest alive with the silver winged angels of death who would soon take the horrors of war to the Japanese homeland for the first time since Doolittle's raids.

Le May's bombing tactics struck hard at Japan's capital. On the night of March 9-10, 1945, 87,000 civilians died as the 21st Bomber Command planes flew at 7,000 feet over Tokyo and destroyed 51 per cent of that city. The General then turned his attacks to bold daylight raids against Osaka and Yokohama.

As dawn broke over Yokohama on May 30, 1945, thin columns smoke rose high in

the air; smoldering ruins from previous raids. Japanese defenses bristled as the drone of 2000 engines heralded the coming of 500 B-29s, heavily laden with incendiaries. Small puffs of deadly flak mingled with thousands of falling black stick-like bombs.

Connally Chosen

To lead the attack Le May had chosen one of his most able men, Command Pilot Colonel James T. Connally. Behind Connally at the controls of his own Superfortress was Major Joseph M. Beseda. Joe Beseda's uncle had built the house in which Connally's wife lived back in Waco. The next day the Waco Herald Tribune reported five aircraft lost over Yokohama: three P-51 Mustangs and two B-29's. Major Beseda returned to Guam without his fellow Texan. Connally's name did not appear in the killed, wounded or missing column in the local paper that day nor the next nor the next. James T. Connally simply dropped from the sky and disappeared over Japan.

A few weeks after the end of World War II, the wreckage of his aircraft was found in a field. The mangled bodies were scattered and burned beyond recognition. They were shipped back to the states and finally buried in a common tomb at St. Louis. Twelve years after he had refused to be chained to a dreary desk job, James Connally was dead.

They spoke with reverence of Connally when they buried him in 1945. They said words like Distinguished Flying Cross and British Air Force Cross and Air Medal and Presidential Citation and Distinguished Service Cross. And, of course, the Purple Heart. And then America went about it's business of building a peace time economy and grass went about it's business of growing over graves.

In the spring of 1948 the newborn United States Air Force decided to rename some of it's old Army Air Corp bases. Authorization to change the name of Waco Air Force Base came from ATC Headquarters at Parksdale AFB, La. on April 28, 1948, as part of the USAF Memorialization Program.

The Air Force checked it's records and Waco, Texas discovered what a gentle 65 year-old lady who lived on Parrot Avenue with her 65 year-old mother had always felt deep inside---that Waco owned it's very own genuine war hero.

James Thomas Connally, who had led an obscure, quiet life before he left Waco, who had been away 12 years, who had rested in a common grave in St. Louis for four years after the war was suddenly discovered, honored and praised as a heroic native son on April 27, 1949, at a ceremony attended by Congressman W.R. Pogue and Senator Lyndon B. Johnson.

His life story was typed, his photographs collected and his final records were compiled, filed away and promptly forgotten.

V-P, Reps, Cheerleaders Selected in Campus Balloting

Campus elections on September 27 resulted in selection of Ken Phelps, freshman as student government vice-president; 12 new representatives were also chosen.

New cheerleaders selected during the same elections were Emilie Jones, Patty Bolting, Karen Cannon, Betty Reese, and Gay Lynn Philbin.

Representatives chosen were John Butler, Clint Lewis, Dennis Pearce, Susan Smith, Sally Parker, Shirley Henkleman, Mike Alford, Mike Erlanson, Keith Curlee, Bob Cozby, Pat

Hurtado, and Dan Oats.

Phelps is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelps, 6000 Caldwell Drive, Waco.

Other student government officers were elected last spring.

President Danny Uptmore is planning government committee assignments and predicts an active year of student participation in the activities of the college.

Student government officers and representatives took a tour of the new permanent campus October 9 conducted by Dean of Student Services Larry Gilliam.



Crowds Gather Around Voting Booth on "B" Street



Voters Get ID Cards Ready



Ballot Box Stuffing Became Necessary



NEWLY ELECTED student government officials pose for the photographer. Shown are (left to right) Vice-President Ken Phelps, Representative Shirley Henkleman, Clint Lewis, Mike Alford, Dennis Pearce, Duane Bridgman, Pat Hurtado, Dan Oats, John Butler, Bob Cozby, Susan Smith, and Keith Curlee. Not pictured in Sally Parker and Mike Erlanson, Bridgman was not elected in campus balloting, but represents The McManan Singers (note singing).



Jay Pintor Carefully Considers Ballot



CAGER FRESHMEN on scholarship this year are: standing, left to right, Simpson Degrate, Marlin; Dennis Edwards, Houston; and Don Groody, Fort Worth. In front are John Sampson of Corpus Christi and Mike Nelson of Abilene.

Library Offers Knowledge For Those Who Seek It

BY TOLLINE ENGER

Looking for peace? Eager for knowledge? Books are the answer to part of the problem. The campus library offers books and quiet. It is up to the individual to use these assets to obtain knowledge.

Mrs. Martha Forney, Assistant Librarian extends an invitation and welcome to the MCC library. "It is our desire," she said, "to create a library atmosphere that will be mutually helpful to all the students and faculty. We hope that it will be characterized by friendliness, helpfulness on our part, and by purposeful and quiet study on the part of the students."

A new addition to our library includes both an SMC copying machine, for student use, and a Xerox. In accordance with the policy of having a variety of references, the library has subscribed to several law enforcement magazines which will be helpful to those in the new class. There are other new additions in all fields of study.

Library hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays. A student is allowed to charge three books at a time which may be kept for two weeks and be renewed, if desired. Fines are five cents a day for each overdue book. This includes weekends and holidays.

Across the street from the library the ordering, acquiring, and cataloging of books takes place. The Annex is the working place where the books are made ready for the shelves. Offices in the Annex include those of Donald Tebbits, chief librarian, and Joe B. Cole, head cataloger.

The library also includes the facilities of the Audio-Visual Department. This includes film equipment such as projectors and

screens. Richard Murphy is the technician who supervises the use of all the visual aid equipment including tape recorders and the copying machines. In the future, after the move to the new campus site is completed, Murphy will also be in charge of closed circuit television at MCC.

Journalists Travel To A&M

Eight members of the journalism class will attend the 16th annual Texas Junior College Press Association convention at College Station on October 14-15. The convention begins at 9 a.m. Monday, October 14, and terminates at Tuesday noon. Students from 29 Junior Colleges will be attending the convention.

Dr. Norris Davis, Chairman, Department of Journalism at the University of Texas, will report the activities of the co-ordinating board of journalism education, which sets certain standards for senior colleges to accept junior college journalism credits. Senior editor of Readers' Digest, Charles Ferguson will be the banquet speaker. Responsibility and freedom of the college press will be discussed by Dr. James Rogers, vice-president of North Texas State University. A discussion of news and feature pictures will be led by Dr. Otha Spencer of East Texas State University.

MCC will enter the past two issues of the Clan in the magazine competition. Dr. Spencer will head the critique of the school magazine, and Mr. Ferguson will give an informal talk for the magazine staffs represented.

HAPPENINGS

The Baptist Student Union, a student-oriented and student-led campus organization, serves the purpose of challenging, encouraging, and strengthening the college student in his daily life. Regardless of a student's religious preference, everyone is invited to attend the BSU activities.

Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:30 a.m. in the Music Building students may attend Morning Watch, a brief devotional

period. The BSU has also planned a Basket "Bust" November 23, and a Christmas Gift drive December 10. This semester's highlight will be the Baptist Student Union Convention in Fort Worth October 18-20. Anyone wishing to attend this convention should contact Johnny Kash or Tommy Perkins.

"Androcles and the Lion" will be the first production by the drama classes and the Drama Club this year. Work on the play will begin today with auditions for the parts. The play chiefly uses male characters. It will be taken to a college drama festival this winter in Odessa.

Those students who wish to become a member of the Drama Club check with James Henderson. His office is located on the first floor in the Music Building.

The Fencing Club is for those interested in a vigorous sport with a mental game. After the fencing classes have had a chance to understand the basics, a meeting of the club will be scheduled.

Last year the fencing team competed in several tournaments including the Modern Pentathlon in San Antonio. The team also fenced in the North Texas Division of the Amateur Fencing League of America. Mrs. Ann Cunningham is the sponsor.

Club is scheduled soon. All students interested in an informal look at the arts are urged to attend.

Projects this year include a student exhibition after the move to the new campus is completed. The club is also considering the idea of bringing a professional art exhibit to MCC. A small painting contest is also in the planning stage.

Concerning a special future project Fred Knapp said, "We're thinking along the lines of a 'Happening' or another 'Environment' or some kind of exhibit next semester at the new campus."

Last year the Art Club visited the Dallas Museum of Modern Art and an Austin museum. This year they will take other trips and possibly visit the Northwood Institute, a specialized liberal school for the fine arts in Dallas.

Larry Gilliam, dean of Student Services, has announced that a Talent Review will be held October 23, at 10 a.m. in the Base Theater.

Students wishing to participate in the talent review should see Mrs. Moody in the Counseling office by Friday, October 11.

All students are invited to participate. Acts will not be allowed to use amplified equipment.

Government Class Lists Debates on Big Issues

Panel discussions on current national issues will be held in most government classes between October and December. Exact times and places will be announced soon. Instructor Charles Kennedy announced recently.

Students concerned about the Viet Nam situation, the civil rights movement, or the outcome of the up-coming election, are invited to participate.

"I would be extremely pleased to see an interest on the part of our students in current issues" said Kennedy. He continued, "I encourage and welcome all interested persons to come and take an active part in an intelligent, factual discussion."

Organization of the MCC Art



NEW EQUIPMENT for the library is unpacked by Don Hughson. The Recordak machine is designed for reading microfilm and for making copies of desired pages of microfilm. It is expected to be in use in the near future.