

No Saturday Classes Before S. M. U. And Rice Games

Speed-Up Program Suspended At End Of Semester; Final Exams Reinstated

Authorization was given yesterday by the Academic Council to suspend classes on November 11 and 18 in order for the corps to make the trips to the S. M. U. football game in Dallas on the 11th and the Rice game in Houston on the 18th.

The Academic Council also voted to suspend the speed-up program at the end of the current semester. The return to a normal school year will mean that there will be two semesters a year of the regular length during the fall, winter, and spring with a special summer session.

Restoration of final examinations was another factor included in the return to normalcy program. Plans were also formulated for an exemption system on the final examination which will provide that the upper 25% of those enrolled for a course do not have to take the examination.

Provisions were made for the return of ex-service men in the middle of each semester. This plan, when put into operation, will enable returning discharged service men to take a refresher course before enrolling for the regular session.

The provision for the suspension of classes on the dates of the S. M. U. and Rice games carried with it the stipulation that all classes which are missed will have to be made up. In a statement issued by the Academic Council they said, "... that classes are to be suspended on Saturday, November 11, and Saturday, November 18. In order to make up the work missed and meet the minimum standards of the days of teaching required, the classes scheduled for these days will meet between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. on the preceding Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; the 8:00 o'clock class meeting on Monday, the 9:00 o'clock on Tuesday, the 10:00 o'clock on Wednesday, and the 11:00 o'clock on Thursday.

Regular class schedules will continue through Saturday, February 3, and registration for the new semester will take place on Monday, February 5, 1945."

This action was taken by the Academic Council at the request of the corps in the form of a petition. The petition requested that classes be excused on those two days in order that a corps trip and parade might be held in each of the two cities, Dallas and Houston.

Dean F. C. Bolton said in a statement yesterday afternoon that the Academic Council considered the matter carefully but felt that it would be inadvisable to have corps trip parades but that they were willing to approve a dismissal of classes. He added that these trips would not be considered corps trips.

Return to the regular two-semester and summer session plan will mark the end of A. & M.'s speedup program to facilitate the education of high school graduates prior to their induction into the armed forces. The plan went into operation in January of 1942 and made it possible for a freshman entering college to graduate in two years and eight months. During the time of its operation A. & M. has turned out thousands of men for the armed forces with a

partially complete college education.

Closely correlated with the speed-up program is the new ruling which will allow ex-servicemen to enroll in college in the middle of a semester. Dean Bolton stated that while the complete plans were not as yet worked out, that freshmen entering under this program would likely enter upon a half-schedule double time program which would enable them to be ready to enroll for a normal load of work at the beginning of the succeeding semester. He added that the provision was made in order that ex-service men would not have to wait several months after their discharge before entering college.

Men with college credits will likely utilize the time from the

middle of the semester in which they re-enter until the beginning of the next semester in refresher courses. Dean Bolton said that this would be so because the experience has been that men returning from the armed forces need refreshing before college work is begun.

Restoration of final examinations carries with it the provision that students may be exempted from the final examination. The statement reads as follows, "An undergraduate student who within the prescribed time completes all the requirements of a course except the examination may earn exemption from the examination in that course provided:

"He has a semester grade, exclusive of final examination, of A or B and is within the upper

25% of the undergraduate enrollment in the class as then constituted. A class is defined as including all students registered in a given subject with a single instructor."

During the course of the meeting the Academic Council discussed several other topics relating to the academic procedure of A. & M. and will make announcements of these upon the completion of plans. The return to the normal schedule will necessitate a revision of the College Calendar but as this will take some time it is not yet prepared.

The Academic Council is made up of the deans of each of the four schools, the dean of the college, and the heads of each department of instruction.

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Aggies Open Conference Play Against T. C. U.

Blue Book Is Revised By Council

One Copy Issued To Each Room; Must Be Returned

First Sergeants were directed to report to the Commandant's Office this morning, where they received enough copies of the newly revised "Blue Book" of college regulations to distribute one book to every room in each unit.

A number of minor changes were made in the rules set forth by the college in September, 1942. The most important among these were the changes made in the call to quarters regulations, the hospital hours, and the uniform.

Students have been directed to take care of these books because they are to be turned back to the Commandant's Office at the end of this semester for re-distribution to those students who return to school, and to the new students who will enter in February.

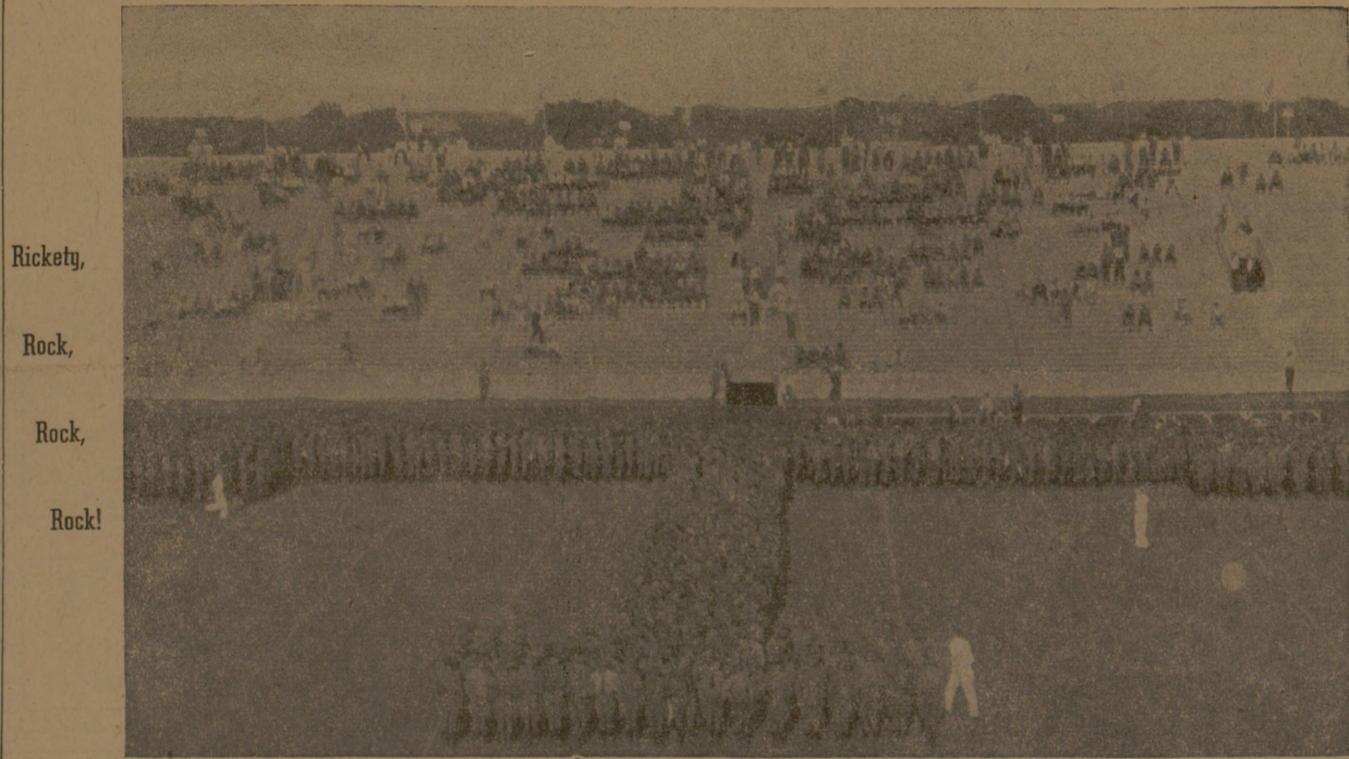
World-Famed Plant Scientist Visits College Campus

Dr. F. E. Clements, California Ecologist, Talks With A&M Staff

Dr. F. E. Clements of the Laboratory of Ecological Research located in Santa Barbara, California and Manitou Springs, Colorado was a visitor on the A. & M. campus October 8 and 9. Dr. Clements is one of the foremost Plant Ecologists in the United States. His work has won world-wide acclaim. He is the author of a number of books and articles on Plant Ecology and Bio-Ecology. Dr. Clements is starred in the last edition of the "American Men of Science" which is indicative of his achievements. Dr. Clements was formerly Chairman of the Department of Botany, University of Minnesota and Ecologist with the Carnegie Institute of Washington.

Dr. Clements was accompanied by his wife and Dr. H. M. Bell, Chief of the Range Management Division 4 of the Soil Conservation Service.

Dr. Clements held conversations with Dr. W. P. Taylor, Dr. C. C. Doak, Dr. W. B. Davis, Dr. Chas. La Motte, Dr. John J. Sperry and other A. & M. staff members.



AGGIE "T"—Pictured above is the famous Aggie "T" as it was formed in pre-war days. The Corps has practiced this formation during the last week in order to be able to go into it quickly at the half during the A&M-TCU game tomorrow. It is traditional that the "T" is formed at the first conference game played on Kyle Field each football season. This will be the only formation of the "T" this season, as was the custom before the "T" was discontinued at the close of the 1942 grid year.

Garden Clubs Meet Here Three Days

Thirty-seven officers and board members of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., and presidents, local garden clubs throughout the state gathered at the A. & M. College October 17-19 for the annual business meeting and Horticultural Forum. Mrs. C. B. Campbell, is recording secretary.

Mrs. C. E. Beavers of Wichita Falls is president and Mrs. C. E. Miller of Dallas is regional director of the organization. Both were present at the A. & M. meeting, and former state presidents in attendance include Mrs. Will Lake of Fort Worth and Mrs. Ben G. O'Neal of Wichita Falls.

Assisting Mrs. Campbell in making arrangements for the garden enthusiasts were Mrs. J. E. Roberts, president, Mrs. D. W. Williams, vice-president of the A. & M. Garden Club, Mrs. S. H. Yarnell, Mrs. Adam Bennett and Mrs. C. W. Crawford.

President Gibb Gilchrist welcomed the Garden Club ladies to the campus in an address preceding the business session October 18. A luncheon was given to the visiting ladies, who were quartered in A. & M. dormitories during their stay on the campus. In the afternoon Mrs. Gilchrist honored the visitors with a tea at the President's home on the campus.

The Horticultural Forum was conducted by Rudolph Hensel, S. H. Yarnell, F. W. Hensel, and Elo Urbanovsky.

Wilcox Speaks To Brazos County Aggie-Exes Club

Injured Aggies To Attend T. C. U. Game As Gilchrist's Guests

Around 50 former Aggies heard George B. Wilcox, head of A&M's Student Personnel Department discuss the duties of his organization before the monthly meeting of the Brazos County A&M Club at the Bryan Country Club Monday night.

Taking this semester's 700 freshmen students, Mr. Wilcox described how his office wrote a letter to the parents of each boy outlining the functions of the Personnel office and asking the parents or the students to use these facilities at any time needed. Each student is helped with his assignments, or advised how a course may be changed to better fit the boy with his capabilities. Some 35 faculty advisers work through the personnel office with the students they have under them.

P. L. Downs, Jr., good samaritan of the club, reported nine wounded or injured Aggies now in McClosky Hospital will come over to the TCU-A&M football game Saturday and will be guests of President Gibb Gilchrist at the game. They will be accompanied by the commanding officer of McClosky, Brigadier General James A. Bethea. They also will attend the Aggie yell practice and Temple-Bryan football game Friday night.

Control Course Lecturers Listed

Principal lecturers for the short course on Quality Control by Statistical Methods to be held here Oct. 25-Nov 2, will be Paul Peach, industrial consultant, and Dr. Edwin G. Olds, chief statistical consultant, Office of Production Research and Development, both of WPB's Washington office, V. M. Faires, head of A&M's Department of Management Engineering, announced today. Already sufficient registrations have been received to assure the short course being held.

This intensive, 8-day, tuition-free quality control short school is being sponsored by the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas in cooperation with the War Production Board, and the ESMWT program of the U. S. Office of Education. The subject is a new but proven tool for industry management that not only saves the executive's time but lowers production costs.

Other lecturers will be brought in for one-day programs. This list includes S. E. Sites, Westinghouse company, Mansfield, Ohio; Capt. A. R. Burgess, St. Louis ordnance office; L. S. Kauffman, chief inspector, American Stove Co., St. Louis; and Edward M. Schrock, quality control engineer, ordnance research and development center, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

Those taking the short course may stay in dormitories and take their meals in A&M's dining hall, or Aggeland Inn at a nominal charge. To qualify for the short course. (See COURSES, Page 4)

Marine Resources Committee to Meet On Campus Friday

Dr. Walter P. Taylor Wildlife Unit Head, To Be Chairman

A meeting of the Texas Committee on Marine Resources has been called for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning in Room 324 of the Animal Industries Building to consider means of greater utilization of the products of Gulf Coast waters. Dr. Walter P. Taylor, head of the A. & M. Wildlife Research Unit, has announced.

A great store of potential food, feed and fertilizer products lies almost untouched at our very door, Dr. Taylor said. Very little is being done about it, and this meeting will be an open discussion to determine how best the facilities of the Texas A. & M. College may be used toward this end.

In attendance will be representatives of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Fish and Wildlife Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior, Biology Department of Southern Methodist University, commercial fishing interests, and several departments of the A. & M. College.

Dr. Taylor will be chairman of the meeting, and its secretary is Dr. S. H. Hopkins of the Biology Department.

Every month 40,000 discharged veterans are re-entering industry. One airplane company already has employed more than 1,800 veterans of World War II.

Maroon And White Given Edge Over Frogs Saturday

Horned Frogs Rested Last Weekend After Tying Razorbacks in Conference Opener

Between 10,000 and 15,000 spectators are expected to be on hand Saturday afternoon to witness the Aggie's first conference game of the season against the Horned Frogs from Texas Christian University at 2:30 on Kyle Field.

A. & M. and T. C. U. have the best season records of any schools in the Southwest Conference; the Aggies having only a tie with Arkansas to mar their record while the Aggies were defeated by the Oklahoma Sooners.

The two teams were rated about even earlier in the season, but the Aggies' showing last week against the L. S. U. Tigers has gained them much support an air-tight defense which the Tigers were never able to dent.

The Frogs have had two weeks in which to prepare for their meeting with the Aggies, having an open date following the Arkansas game. During this time, Coach Leo "Dutch" Meyer of the Christians has been getting his charges in tip-top shape. Most of the drills have stressed defense against Aggie plays, although the Froggies have been polishing their offense which never really got started in the Arkansas game.

Meyer has altered his starting lineup somewhat by putting Johnny Sherrod at quarterback in the place of Kueera. Sherrod is the best passer on the squad which seems to indicate that the air will be filled with passes Saturday afternoon. (See CADETS, Page 3)

Forest Service Men Attend Conference

W. E. White, of the Forest Service, is attending the program for Texas Forest Conservation Day at Lufkin on October 24. Other men from the Forest Service here also attending are S. E. Frost, D. A. Anderson, R. W. Schoen, Harry Quinn, Larry Fisher, and Frank Nedbalek.

Governor Coke Stevenson has set aside the week of Oct. 22 as Texas Forestry Week and they are celebrating Texas Forestry Day at Lufkin on Oct. 24. The purpose of this meeting is to get forest owners to use better cutting practices in order to "conserve and protect this great natural renewable resource." There are sixty-five tree farms in Texas using good cutting practices now and it is hoped by this meeting to increase this number.

Hatton W. Sumners, Dallas Congressman, Visits A&M Campus

Hatton W. Sumners, congressional representative from Dallas, visited on the campus last night. He ate mess with the cadets in Sbis as the guest of Cadet Colonel George Strickhausen.

Sumners arrived yesterday afternoon shortly after six and left this morning at ten. He visited J. W. Potts, assistant state boys' club agent in the Extension Service.

Student Concessions Must Be Registered

"Any student operating a concession on the campus must have his concession authorized by the Student Activities Office. If any student has agents working for him on his concessions he must have these agents listed in the Student Activities Office. Any student caught operating a concession without a permit from the Student Activities Office will be subject to action by the disciplinary committee."

A&M Flying Club Holds Classes Every Monday

Each Monday night at 7:00 p.m. the A. & M. Flying club will meet in room 107 of the Academic Building, according to Barney Myatt, president. Students attending these meetings will have authorized absences from C. Q. until 8:15 p.m. All freshmen and old returning students interested in flying are invited to attend these meetings.

Navigation and various C. A. A. courses will be taught at the meetings. These training courses must be taken before one can get his pilot's license.