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Agricultural Convocation

Joe Joyce, chairman of the Ag Council, presents an attendance gavel to Weldon Barnes, president of the Entomology Society for the best group attendance at the Agricultural Convocation last night in the Memorial Student Center. Attendance was based on an index.

For Army Cadets.

Federal Inspection Slated March 31 - April 1 at A&M

Annual Federal Inspection for the A&M Department of Military Science and Tactics is scheduled for March 31-April 1, Capt. John W. Simmons, public information officer, said yesterday.

The inspection team will arrive on the campus Wednesday evening, March 30, and will begin their inspection tour Thursday morning, Simmons said.

President Earl Rudder, Dean of Students James P. Hannigan and Col. Joe E. Davis, commandant.

Visit Classes

The inspectors will visit military science classrooms throughout the day Thursday.

Also scheduled for the officers is a luncheon with President Rudder at noon.

Ranks Inspections

All Army cadets will have an inspection in ranks Thursday afternoon from 5:30-6:30 in dormitory areas. During the inspection, cadets will be asked questions concerning the operation of the M-1 rifle, government and military of-

ficials and related subjects, said Capt. Simmons.

Friday morning the inspectors will confer on their findings, which will be followed by a critique for officers of the A&M instructor unit.

Conference

After the critique, the team chief and Col. Elder will confer with President Rudder on the findings of the inspection.

The inspection team will be headed by Col. Douglas Stevens, Artillery, Fort Bliss. Other members of the team include: Lt. Col. Roger R. Kemm, General Staff, Infantry, reserve forces section; Lt. Col. Marlon L. Ellison, General Staff, Artillery, G-3 section;

Lt. Col. Jerry M. Smith, General Staff, Infantry, G-1 section; Lt. Col. Clark Webber, General Staff, Armor, G-3 section; Lt. Col. John H. Campbell, General Staff, Infantry, reserve forces section; Lt. Col. Robert M. Milam, General Staff, Artillery, reserve forces section; Maj. Emmet M. Atteberry, General Staff, Infantry, G-2 section; and Maj. Walton S. Olson, General Staff, Infantry, G-2 section.

Singing Cadets Ready For Tour Of South Texas

A&M's Singing Cadets today were making final preparations for a concert tour of south Texas points Thursday, according to Dr. William Turner, director of the group.

The Cadets will leave by chartered bus at noon Thursday and journey to Gonzales for a concert at the Gonzales High School auditorium at 8 that night.

Friday the cadets will perform at an assembly at the West Columbia High School at 1:30 p.m.

The group will wind up its tour Friday night with a concert at the Refugio High School Auditorium at 8 to bring the tour to a close.

The cadets will return to A&M Sunday, Turner said.

New Singing Cadet uniforms will be worn for the first time, he added.

Some 50 members of the group will make the trip Turner said. Officers of the Singing Cadets include: David Bunting, president; John Lenamon, vice president; Larry Leighton, business manager; Carlos Worley, reporter-historian and Jack Harrington, librarian.

Civilians Post 1.57 Overall GPR During Fall Semester

Promote College

A&M Chamber Begins Plans

By BEN TRAIL
Assistant News Editor

The A&M Student Chamber of Commerce will begin full scale planning operations to promote A&M when the organization holds its first meeting Thursday, March 17, under new organization, at 7:30 p. m. in the lecture room of the Biological Sciences Building, according to Clifford W. Lane, Jr., student organizer of the group.

Student Delegates

Lane stated the chamber of commerce would be composed of student delegates from the different departments on the campus. Each department has been invited to appoint one junior and senior per degree option as delegates to the student organization.

Lane said, "Too many people who visit the campus see only the MSC and a group of friendly cadets. They leave thinking that A&M is a military college that teaches only agriculture."

Under Student Activities

Organized under the Department of Student Activities, Lane said the Student Chamber of Commerce would strictly be a student effort to present material about each of the departments to interested people or to organizations that could use the information.

The student delegates will be able to accumulate material about their departments and then pass it on to organizations such as hometown clubs. The hometown clubs will then be able to give a complete and correct picture of A&M to prospective students.

Lane said he hopes the organization will become a source where organizations like hometown clubs can come for information and ideas

on how to present a better picture of A&M.

The Student Chamber of Commerce plans to organize around a committee system. So far, according to Lane, hometown club, special project, and information committees are being planned. The information committee will work with the other departmental delegates in organizing information pamphlets about each department. They also plan to place an information rack, filled with these pamphlets, some place on the campus where visitors can take them home.

Lane said other Texas universities and colleges have successfully organized student groups like the A&M Student Chamber of Commerce.

Departmental Delegates

Departmental delegates to the student chamber of commerce so far are:

Department of Aeronautical Engineering—E. C. Aldridge and Larry K. Leighton. Department of Agricultural Engineering—Billy J. Barfield and Alan D. Brashears. Division of Architecture—John H. Brown, Dan Brents, Gerald J. Roy and Kenneth Bobo. Department of Biology—Don Reynolds, Edward Winchester, Terry Pollard, Harvey Farber, Larry Adams, Tom Aus-

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Junior Pics Deadline Set Thursday at 5

Juniors have until Thursday to turn in pictures of girls to be entered in judging for the Junior Sweetheart to be selected at the Junior Banquet and Ball Saturday, March 26.

The pictures must be turned in to the Cashier's Office in the ground level of the Memorial Student Center by Thursday at 5.

Tickets for the Junior Banquet and Ball are now on sale at the Cashier's Window in the ground level of the Memorial Student Center.

Tickets for the banquet, to be held in Duncan Dining Hall, will cost \$1.50 per person. Tickets to the ball will also be \$1.50 per person.

"The Collegians," from Prairie View A&M College will provide music for the dance.

Tuesday, March 22, is the last day for purchasing tickets for the banquet. Dance tickets will be available up until the time of the dance.

MSC To Show Peck-Jones Film

"Man in the Grey Flannel Suit" starring Gregory Peck and Jennifer Jones will be the presentation of the Memorial Student Center Film Society on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom.

The movie is based on the widely-read novel by Sloan Wilson about an average husband and wife facing up to one particular and unique crisis with a courage and intelligence that sets them apart.

Over Ten Per Cent Included in DS's

By BOB SLOAN
Assistant News Editor

The overall grade point ratio for civilian students for the 1959-60 Fall Semester was 1.57, according to figures released by Bennie A. Zinn, Director of Student Affairs.

The grade reports included the averages of all civilian and day students residing in college housing but was incomplete with respect to graduate students and students living in private homes, according to Zinn.

'Only About One-Fifth ...'

"We are usually able to collect only about one-fifth of the grade reports from students taking graduate courses, day students living at home and students going to school only part time or taking less than 12 semester hours," Zinn said.

There were 2,045 civilians who reported their fall semester grades to the office of Student Affairs, including 174 Freshmen, 301 sophomores, 518 juniors, 734 seniors and 318 fifth, sixth and graduate students.

Leggett Tops

Leggett Hall led the civilian dormitories with an average GPR of 1.71 for the five classes. Running a close second for the highest average GPR were students living in College View and Project House with a 1.69 overall grade point ratio.

The fifth, sixth and graduate students led the rest of the civilians with a class GPR of 1.95. Graduates living in Leggett Hall had the highest average GPR with a 2.40. Bizzell Hall was second with a 2.35 GPR.

Senior civilians followed the graduates with a class grade point

WCivilian Grades Story		
Class	Number	GPR
Freshmen	174	1.13
Sophomores	301	1.32
Juniors	518	1.51
Seniors	734	1.67
Fifth, Sixth		
Graduates	318	1.95
	2,045	1.57

Army Junior Suspended

An Army ROTC junior was suspended from A&M for the duration of the semester by action of a military panel last week.

Official charges against him were article 11-A in the Articles of the Cadet Corps and Paragraph 46-2 (a) in the College Regulations, according to Dean of Students James P. Hannigan.

Wings, Brigades Name Four Junior Sergeant Majors

Sergeant majors for the two wings and two brigades in the Corps of Cadets have been announced by Col. Frank S. Vaden, assistant commandant.

Interviews to select the Corps of Cadets sergeant major are underway.

Kenneth J. Demel was named 1st Wing sergeant major; Bobby J. McDaniel was named 2nd Wing sergeant major; Richard Meadows was named 1st Brigade sergeant major; and Sonny Todd was named 2nd Brigade sergeant major.

Normally the sergeant major assumes command of the unit for the following school year.

Interviews were started Friday, March 4, to select the sergeant major for the Corps of Cadets. Approximately 15 juniors were interviewed in the first set of interviews.

Five juniors have been selected from the original group for final interviews. The five and the units include: Harvey Barber, Corps Staff; Sydney Heaton, Corps Staff; Branley Laycock, Corps Staff; Richard Meadows, 1st Brigade Staff; and Bobby McDaniel, 2nd Wing Staff.

The Corps of Cadets sergeant major will be named later.

'60-'61 Editor Filings Close; Applicant Names Released

Editor filings closed yesterday for the 1960-61 school year for the six publications of the Department of Student Publications.

Filings included applications for editorships of The Battalion, The Aggeland, The Texas A&M Review, The Engineer, The Agriculturist and The Southwestern Veterinarian.

Bill Hicklin, junior journalism major from Corpus Christi, and Robbie Godwin, junior journalism major from Robert Lee, filed for position as next year's editor of The Battalion.

Jim Gibson, junior journalism major from San Antonio, filed for editor of The Texas A&M Review.

Filing for editor of The Agriculturist for 1960-61 were Harry Harrington, sophomore wildlife management major from Houston; William Harrison, Jr., sophomore agricultural economics major from Columbus; and Walter Ray Willms, junior plant and soil sciences major from Columbus.

Persons applying for editorship of Aggeland '61 included Dick McGauhy, junior architecture construction major from Kansas City; Jack Russell, junior finance major from Dallas, and John Dodge, Jr., junior mechanical engineering major from Beaumont.

Joseph Smith, junior veterinary medicine major from Big Spring, filed for editorship of the Southwestern Veterinarian.

Nominations for the 1960-61 editors will be made to the Students Publications Board at the April 5

meeting and the board's recommendations will be forwarded to the Deans of the four degree-granting schools and to President Earl Rudder for approval, according to L. A. Duewall, Director of Student Publications.

Appointment of editors for 1960-61 will be made April 15 and new editors will assume their duties May 1, said Duewall.

Minimum requirements for being named to an editorship include: being junior or senior classification, freedom from academic and disciplinary probation, must have clearly demonstrated above average achievement and ability and a minimum of one year's experience

on the staff of any publication and proven ability to carry on the work of publication in a manner deemed creditable by the Student Publications Board.

Applicants for editorship of The Battalion and The Aggeland filed through Duewall; Dr. A. L. Bennett, professor in the Department of English, received applications for editorship of The Texas A&M Review; applications for editorship of The Engineer were received by K. J. Koenig in the Department of Petroleum Engineering; and Dr. E. D. McMurphy of the School of Veterinary Medicine received filings for editorship of the Southwestern Veterinarian.

Wing, Brigade Sergeant Majors



Kenneth Demel
... 1st Wing



Bob McDaniel
... 2nd Wing



Richard Meadows
... 1st Brigade



Sonny Todd
... 2nd Brigade

ARS Official Talks To Kiwanis Group

By BOB SAILE
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Dr. Herman A. Rodenhiser, assistant administrator of the Agricultural Research Service in Washington, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the College Station Kiwanis Club Tuesday at noon.

Rodenhiser spoke on the U. S. Department of Agriculture's research program, designed to combat and prevent wheat rust in the United States.

The luncheon meeting was held in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center. K. A. Manning was master of ceremonies.

10-Minute Film

Prior to Rodenhiser's talk, the Kiwanians watched a 10-minute film showing the life cycle and destruction caused by wheat rust. The film illustrated spread of the rust and efforts to curb this spread.

The film showed the work of research men to combat the disease by means of breeding rust-resistant wheat hybrids.

Immediately after the film, Maurice Futrell, instructor in the Department of Plant Physiology and Pathology, introduced Rodenhiser. Rodenhiser told the group that research workers in the USDA

have made "a lot of progress" in the fight against wheat rust.

New faces of wheat, barley and oat rust have thrown us back somewhat," he said, "but rust resistant wheat hybrids are now being developed to fight these new races."

Rodenhiser pointed out rust is also prevalent in other countries, and the United States, he said, is sending resistant varieties of wheat to other countries. World-wide research is being conducted, he added, in the form of international wheat nurseries.

"Funds from the sale of surplus grain are being used to fight wheat rust in the United States," he said.

Began in 1923

Rodenhiser began his USDA career in the summer of 1923 as an agent in the Bureau of Plant Industry. In 1950, he was made responsible for developing a cooperative test program in Latin American countries to determine sources of resistance to stem rust in small grains.

Rodenhiser was appointed to his present position in 1958.

Visit to Huntsville

Earlier in the meeting, Dave Franklin announced an inter-club visit will be made Monday to the Kiwanis Club in Huntsville.

Jim Cooper also made a short announcement, in which he urged all members of the group to step up ticket sales for the club's coming Pancake Supper.

Correction

Lloyd Stafford was elected head of the Memorial Student Center Radio Committee by the MSC Council Monday night and not of the Public Relations Committee as reported in Tuesday's issue of The Battalion.

Paul Heye was named head of the Public Relations Committee to succeed Jack Hartsfield and will take office immediately.