

Ag Secretary Lauds A&M

Special to The Battalion
AUSTIN—The best background for a young man wanting to enter the cattle business is practical experience and a good education at A&M, according to Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson.

Foreign Grads May Apply For Assembly

Approximately 50 openings are available for visiting students during the International Assembly to be held in Williamsburg, Va., June 10-14, according to Robert O. Melcher, foreign student adviser, whose office is in Room 27, Milner Hall.

The two major eligibility requirements for attending the assembly are: The student must be a citizen of a country other than the United States and must intend to return home at the conclusion of the present academic year; the student must have completed at least one year of graduate-level study by the end of the present academic year.

Selection will be made on the basis of the applicant's personal qualifications, campus record, and reasons for wanting to attend the International Assembly. Full consideration will be given to applicants from all geographic regions and from small as well as large educational institutions.

The central theme of the four-day conference will be "The American Image: Shadow or Substance?" with discussions being led by 10 authorities in politics, history, economics, communication, and the arts. Emphasis at all times will be on the relaxed interchange of ideas and opinions.

The purpose of the theme, a provocative topic, is to encourage a frank and personal analysis of the significant phases of the American experience of each participant. Informal presentations, question-and-answer sessions, and general discussion periods along with tours of the historic area provide the framework for the conference.

All foreign students interested in applying for the Assembly can get application blanks in Melcher's office in 27 Milner. Deadline for applications is March 31, and applicants will be notified before April 30.



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Possibility of Closing Guion Hall Presently Under Consideration

In Southwest Region

Wallace Nominated For YMCA Post

David Wallace, junior history major from Pecos, has been nominated for the position of co-chairman of the Southwest Region of the YMCA, according to Bill Shenkir, president of the A&M YMCA.

Shenkir said the Southwest Regional Assembly, which includes Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, will be held at Camp Carter near Ft. Worth, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, at which time the co-chairmen of the YMCA-YWCA for the region will be elected.

Wallace has served as regional co-chairman for the past year, and will be attending the World Student Federation Teaching Conference in Strasburg, Austria, this summer, said Shenkir.

The theme of the meeting will be "The Mission of the YMCA On the Campus and in the World," and Mrs. Margaret Norton, national executive of the Student YMCA will be the platform speaker for the Assembly, said Shenkir.

He said the students from A&M attending the conference will be in charge of worship services for the weekend, conducting one Friday evening, Saturday morning and evening and Sunday morning.

Students from A&M planning to attend the assembly include Wallace, Don Willis, Dick W. Simpson, Jimmy Wolfe, Steven Moore, Daniel Brown, Paul N. Smith, Ronald G. Haley, Malcolm D. Maxwell, William T. Barnhart and Shenkir.

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Faculty members will line up on two sidewalks west of G. Rolie White Coliseum for the inauguration procession which will move at 10:15 Saturday morning, according to J. J. Woolket, head of the Department of Modern Language and head of the Inauguration Committee.



Files for Office

Buddy Bradford, junior science major from San Antonio, registers for a place on the coming class elections. Deadline for filing for election is today at 5 p. m. at the Cashier's Window on the ground level of the Memorial Student Center. Bradford filed for a spot in the Class of '61 elections.

Ueckert Named As Aggie C of C Head

The Student Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors met last night and elected a president, vice president and appointed committee chairmen for the remainder of the current year.

Bruce W. Ueckert, second year veterinary medicine major from Houston was chosen president and Eugene Stubbs, junior business administration major from Wortham was named vice president.

The officers will serve for the remainder of the year, and will be candidates for office next year. In following years, however, office holders will not be eligible for nomination to chamber offices the following year.

Committee Heads

The council has set up four permanent committees to serve in various areas continuously. C. R. Julian, junior chemical engineering major from Crockett was chosen to head the Visitors Program and Information Committee. Byrum W. Collins, junior business administration major from Satin will head the Local Relations Committee. Clifford Lane, senior industrial education student from College Station will head the Professor Relations Committee. Philip H. Harrison, junior business administration major from Lufkin and treasurer of the group will serve as membership and funds committee chairman.

From Student Volunteers

At the general organization meeting held last week, members were asked to sign up for the committees they would be interested in working with. These names were

Employees Plan Costume Dance

A costume dance will be held Thursday, March 24 at 8:30 p. m. in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center, Stan Clark, chairman of the College Employees' Dinner Club has announced.

"This will be a refreshment dance—no dinner," Clark says. "If you are not a season ticket holder get your tickets at the main desk of the MSC before 2 p. m., tomorrow."

Attendance Fall Cited as Reason

By LEWIS REDDELL
Battalion Staff Writer

The possibility of closing Guion Hall, A&M's movie theatre, is now under consideration, J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center said yesterday.

"Costs of operating the movie have become prohibitive, compared to the number of students who utilize this facility, Stark explained.

Student Service

He pointed out Guion Hall was never intended to be a money making institution, but rather a service to students. Stark cited several reasons for the decline of attendance at Guion, including an increased interest in television, more activities available for students and a much greater percentage of Aggies now have automobile transportation available.

No definite steps have been taken to close the theatre, however, he said.

"In the event Guion Hall was closed, the MSC Film Society would probably increase the number of films it shows," Stark said. These films would not be shown daily though, he explained.

Built in 1917 and put into use in 1911, Guion Hall was originally used only for meetings, speeches and plays. Not until 1941 was it converted into a theatre for students.

Previous to World War II, pictures were shown on Wednesday and Saturday nights in the old Assembly Hall. This was located on the site now occupied by the Interfaith Chapel. In 1941, all of the equipment and facilities were moved into Guion and started operation daily under the direction of Tom Puddy who held that capacity for 18 years until last fall when illness forced him to take a leave of absence.

Puddy is presently convalescing at Will Rogers Memorial Hospital at Saranac Lake, N. Y., and faces several more months of hospitalization.

Many important speeches and presentations have taken place in Guion. One noteworthy of mention was the presentation of an Honorary Doctor of Law degree to President Eisenhower in April, 1946.

Kiwanians Plan Inter-Club Visit To Huntsville

The College Station Kiwanis Club met at noon Tuesday and discussed plans for an inter-club visit to Huntsville Monday of next week.

W. A. (Cubby) Manning, president of the club, presided at the luncheon meeting held in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Club member Bob Shiller announced the inter-club visit to the Huntsville Lions Club next week. Four members indicated that they would make the trip Tuesday.

President Manning urged members to step up ticket sales for the club's coming Pancake Supper. The annual supper will be held April 2 at the National Guard Armory at East 25th and Burleson streets in Bryan. The supper will last from 4 p. m. to 9 p. m.

Club secretary W. F. Adams reminded his fellow Kiwanians to pay club dues by the first of April. Following the luncheon, Tony Sorenson and Murray Brown led the group in singing several Kiwanis Club songs. Two quartets were featured in the program.

Under CS 'Pay-As-You-Go' Plan

City Completes Three Streets

By BOB SLOAN
Assistant News Editor

Since the College Station "pay-as-you-go" plan for street improvement and pavement was adopted by the city council Oct. 29, 1958, three streets have been paved, two streets are being worked on now and plans are being made to begin work on five more this summer, according to Ran Boswell, College Station City Manager.

Boswell explained that there are two possible types of streets that can be constructed, depending on the desires of the property owners along the street and the recommendations of the city engineer.

The first type is what is called the curb and gutter section. This street costs the property owner \$3 for each linear foot of property on the street. Any extra cost will be paid by the city.

'Six-Inch Base'

"The base for this kind of street is six inches thick with one inch of asphalt on the surface," Boswell said. "The curb and gutter street may be required on some streets to provide adequate drainage or to provide ample traffic lanes," he added.

The other type, a ditch and pavement section, costs property owners 75 cents a linear foot, Boswell said.

Ditches May Be Added

"For this type street, the existing base course may be sacrificed, additional base materials added and the street shaped and com-

pleted. Side ditches may be added when necessary.

"The city then surfaces the street section with a one-inch hot-mix asphalt surface 20 to 24 feet wide, the exact width to be determined by the City Council," Boswell added.

Three Streets Finished

Boswell said three streets have already been completed under the plan. Lee Street, in the Oakwood addition, west of A&M Consolidated High School, was the first street to be completed. Lee Street was paved with the curb and gutter section at a cost to residents of \$3 per front foot.

"There was 100 per cent participation by property owners on the Lee Street project, eliminating the necessity of having to assess residents," Boswell added.

"If all the property owners on a street agree to the improvements

and complete all financial arrangements at the time the petition is approved by the City Council, there will be no need to pass a special assessment ordinance, which would require a public hearing," Boswell explained. "This would eliminate some time in getting the work started."

The other two streets which have been completed to date are Park Place from Timber to Glade, a curb and gutter section and Glade Street from Park Place to Anna, a ditch and pavement project which cost residents 75 cents per front foot.

Owners Participated 100 Per Cent
Property owners participated 100 per cent on both of these projects, which are also located in Oakwood, Boswell said.

Work has begun on a curb and gutter project for Kyle and Walton Streets in College Hills Es-

Vanity Fair Entry Deadline Less Than 4 Weeks Away

Monday, April 25 is the deadline for seniors to enter pictures for the Vanity Fair section of The Aggeland '60.

The pictures, which must be 5x7 or larger, must be turned in to the Office of Student Publications in the basement of the YMCA Building, according to an announcement by Sam Barranco, Vanity Fair editor.

Each picture submitted must also include the candidate's name, age, weight, height, hair and eye color and measurements.

The winning entry must be able to attend the Student Publications Award Banquet Friday, May 13, the Senior Ring Dance and have a portrait made at the Aggeland Studio.



New Apartments Near Completion

The \$2,500,000 F. W. Hensel Apartments, located behind the College View Apartments, are nearing completion as shown by this picture showing workmen beginning clean-up around the apartments. The 25-apartment development is expected to be ready for occupancy next fall.