

Tuition - Aid Bill Introduced

AUSTIN (AP)—Sen. Jack Hightower of Vernon introduced two bills Wednesday which he said would make it financially possible for more Texas students to go to college, at a tax saving to the state.

One proposal authorized the College Coordinating Board to award tuition scholarships up to \$300 per semester. The other permits the board to contract with private colleges for instruction and services.

Hightower said many students

cannot attend private colleges because it costs them about nine times as much as a state-financed school. That results, he said, in more and more students "flooding the public senior and junior colleges at rapidly increasing cost to the taxpayers."

"IT COSTS between \$1,200 and \$1,300 a year in appropriated funds to educate a student at a state-supported college or university," Hightower said. "So, a state tuition scholarship of \$600 per year would cost the taxpayers

less than half of the amount needed to educate him if this made it possible for him to attend an independent institution."

Sen. O. H. Harris of Dallas introduced a bill to change the Texas primary election date to the fourth Saturday in July. A runoff, or second primary, would be the fourth Saturday in August. Harris' bill would go into effect in 1970 and would be effective every two years thereafter.

OTHER measures introduced in the Senate would:

- Set up a special law enforcement aid fund, to be administered by the Department of Public Safety, to aid local communities.

- Make it unlawful to deny employment for refusal to submit to a polygraph examination.

- Give local school boards the authority to set retirement age for professional and "supportive" personnel.

Ag Magazine Editor To Speak Here Monday

Charles G. Scruggs, editor of "Progressive Farmer" and a 1945 A&M graduate, will be featured speaker at this year's Agricultural Convocation Monday.

Scruggs has been with "Progressive Farmer" since his graduation and has helped promote Texas Agriculture with his many other activities, including the screwworm eradication program.

The assembly, centered around the theme "New Worlds to be Won," will be at 7 p.m. in the

Memorial Student Center. It is the only annual meeting of all the students and faculty in the College of Agriculture. Special emphasis this year has been placed on making the wives feel welcome, Dr. R. C. Potts, associate dean of agriculture, said.

The Award of Merit will be presented to the most outstanding professor and three or four seniors in the College of Agriculture. A gavel will also be presented to the departmental club with the

best attendance, currently held by the Agricultural Extension Society, Alpha Zeta, agricultural society, will also present awards to the outstanding freshman, sophomore and junior in the College.

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