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Vernon G. Young Dies Saturday

Funeral services for Vernon G. Young, assistant director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service who died Saturday, were conducted Monday at the First United Methodist Church of Bryan.

Burial was in College Station Cemetery under the direction of Callaway-Jones Funeral Home.

Young, 56, received a B.S. degree from Texas A&M in 1934 and immediately joined the Extension Service. He served as an assistant in cotton adjustment in Borden, Scurry, Dawson and El Paso counties before being named county agricultural agent in 1937 in Glascock County. He was transferred to the same position in Midland County in 1940.

Young was called to active duty in the U. S. Army in April 1941 as a 1st Lt. and was discharged in 1946 as a Lt. Colonel. He saw extensive duty in Europe and served with distinction in the Field Artillery.

He returned to Midland County in 1946 and the next year was transferred to the headquarters staff as a district agent. On September 16, 1957 he was named state agricultural agent and on October 1, 1965 was named as-

stant director. As assistant director, a major responsibility was administrative services, including agricultural information, liaison with other agencies and organizations, county officials' programs, property and space and special programs.

Young was a prime mover in establishing the very popular Conference for County Judges and Commissioners and Tax Assessors-Collectors which meets annually at Texas A&M University. He also played a major role in developing program plans for the screwworm eradication program in the Southwest. One of his most appreciated efforts, especially by county Extension personnel, was the program dealing with surplus equipment for Extension use.

Extension Director John E. Hutchison said Young was one of the hardest working members of the administrative staff and was widely recognized for his knowledge and devotion to agriculture and for his concern for his fellow workers.

Young was a native of Bexar County, a graduate of Laredo High School and Texas A&M University with a B.S. degree in marketing and finance. He completed graduate work at A&M, Colorado State, Louisiana State and Michigan State Universities and the University of Wisconsin.

Young is survived by his wife, the former Mildred Stokes Snyder, a son, Vernon Jr., a daughter, Anna Bell, both students at Texas A&M University, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Young, also of Bryan. The Youngs reside at 807 Broadmoor in Bryan. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Bryan.

Batt Changes Day

Beginning Wednesday, July 2, The Battalion will switch publication days during the summer months. In the past, the weekly newspaper has always been printed on Thursdays but will switch to Wednesdays.

This will offer extra convenience to grocery shoppers wishing to take advantage of weekend sales at stores which advertise in The Battalion.

Memorials May Be Rededicated Here

Rededication of Texas A&M memorials to Aggies who died in World War I is contemplated by the university.

The proposed project would permanently replace markers, plates and some live oak trees of 53 commemoratives around the drill field and enable additional recognition of the war dead on special occasions.

It was initiated by Physical Plant Director Walter H. Parsons as the result of an editorial in the Battalion, student newspaper.

Several of the trees planted 49 years ago became diseased and had to be removed. The 6 by 6-inch stone markers bearing the name, site and date of death of

the deceased have become displaced due to root growth and deteriorated over the years, Parsons noted.

"A new type of stone marker (See Memorial, Page 2)

Fish Pre-Register

Summer school students who plan to enroll at Texas A&M in September as freshmen may pre-register for the fall semester, Registrar Robert A. Lacey announced.

The new students should report to the Counseling and Testing Center to receive card packets before 5 p.m. Monday.

Pre-registration must be completed by Monday, June 30. Additional information may be obtained at the center, first floor Academic Building, or by phoning 845-1651.

A&M Board Of Directors To Convene In Galveston

Complex Contract Award Expected

A busy schedule faces the Texas A&M University System Board of Directors which meets Friday in Galveston.

Board members will conduct their regular business meeting at 2 p.m. at the Flagship Hotel. Earlier, at 9 a.m., they hold a joint meeting with the University of Texas System Board of Regents to sell Permanent University Fund Bonds totaling \$12 million.

Later in the morning the board will conduct a briefing for several Galveston civic leaders on the university's Mitchell Campus development on Pelican Island and other A&M projects in the Galveston area.

Among the agenda items for board consideration are bids on several construction projects totaling more than \$8 million. Included are the new engineering complex here and the first project for the Mitchell Campus, the university's new marine and oceanographic facility. The Mitchell work involves construction of docking installations for the "Texas Clipper," Texas Maritime Academy training ship, and the R/V Alaminos, Oceanography Department research vessel.

The board also will consider bids on a recovery boiler for the central utilities plant, remodeling a portion of the Agronomy Field Laboratory, parking facilities lighting, a grounds maintenance greenhouse and conversion of a Plant Sciences Building room into a laboratory.

Appropriations also will be considered for detailed design of the oceanography-meteorology complex, preliminary design of a new office and classroom building and

conversion of a Research Annex hangar for use as a flight mechanics laboratory.

In other business, the board will consider establishment of an Institute of Food Science and Engineering and adoption of the Legislature-authorized facilities use fee for all academic institutions within the system.

The new institute is designed to coordinate academic activity in food science and be a point of contact for interested individuals and commercial and governmental agencies.

If approved, a \$10-per-semester facility use fee—authorized at the recent session of the Legislature as an alternative to a tuition increase—would go into effect this fall, pending action by Gov. Preston Smith. The fee would apply to undergraduates registered for 12 or more credit hours and graduate students enrolled in nine or more hours.

Dance Tonight In MSC Ballroom

Dancing to soul and "Top 40" (hard rock) music by the 9th Street Bridge heads the Memorial Student Center summer directorate program tonight.

The 8-12 p.m. dance will be in the MSC ballroom, announced Jerry Street, summer chairman of Jasper.

The Bridge is a six-piece band of Houston.

"All university and high school students are welcome," Street said. Admission will be \$1.25 per couple and 75 cents stag.



CAMPUS SAFETY EXPERTS

Taking a coffee break during the 16th National Conference on Campus Safety are, left to right, Dr. Ralph Vernon, Texas A&M associate professor of Industrial Education and conference program chairman; Dugald Pinyan, 1969-70 chairman from the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, University of California, Livermore; Jack Orsborn, 1968-69 chairman from the Michigan Department of Labor, Lansing; Albert Green of the National Safety Council, Chicago, and John W. Hill, insurance and safety director at A&M and conference host chairman.

Philosophy Prof Feels Youths Need Guides

A Texas A&M philosophy and humanities professor believes recognition of the "new generation's" lack of motivation is the starting place for attempting to solve one of society's most acute problems.

"There's no simple answer," asserts Dr. Manuel M. Davenport, Philosophy and Humanities Department head. "The problem is very complex."

A popular prof to whom A&M students frequently turn for extracurricular talks, Davenport is one of the Peace Corps founders and a former Colorado State University professor.

He is A&M's campus representative for Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) and the local Peace Corps advisory council chairman.

The official of A&M's rapidly growing Liberal Arts College believes values and ideals that inspired previous generations are not acceptable to today's young people.

"They've been around long enough to see that just making

money isn't all that rewarding," he theorizes. "Not so long ago, most men had to work hard all day just to put food on the table. Their motivation was prosperity and plenty."

Abundance has been achieved. Most young people — the ones of the upper middle class of society who have turned to drugs, hippie ways and "turning off" society — have grown up in an age of plenty. Keniston refers to them as the "uncommitted generation," Davenport observed.

"There is less disparity between values of A&M students and values of their parents," he inserted.

ON THE AVERAGE, he says, today's dissident young are better educated.

"They've assimilated more facts, know more about the scientific nature of the world," the professor explained. "Socially, they gain maturity and poise at an earlier age."

Hidden signposts of progress is another factor he mentioned. "We've got society set up now where it is difficult to see the payoff," said the graduate of Bethany Nazarene College of Oklahoma, Colorado College and University of Illinois.

Davenport indicated the human need to see guideposts enroute to attaining goals also is intermeshed in the problem.

"It may be that we've about reached the limits of mankind's physical development — going west, industrialization, making money, putting man on the moon," he commented.

Without values that inspire effort, what's the alternative? "LIVE FOR today" is their answer," he remarked. "Adoption of a life-style that provides day-to-day pleasure."

It's something sufficiently valuable for which to sacrifice pleasure, not laziness nor incapableness of work, Davenport reiterated.

Hypocrisy has its role too, he adds.

"That's knowing something is wrong but going ahead and doing it anyway," the prof recalled a recent church group talk.

"I told them teachers practice hypocrisy. We are very good at telling students about the ideals of education, but we don't practice them very often, even in the classroom. Parents are hypocritical too, declaring their children must have an education but ridiculing ideas the kids produce from it because the thinking differs with their own," he said.

"The students really lapped this up," Davenport smiled. "Then I told them students are guilty of the same hypocrisy."

Davenport said he was immediately turned off.

"STUDENTS claim to want a better world, where man lives at peace with man," he explained. "Yet when it is suggested they get active, go out and hustle votes to institute change, that won't do either."

Though it may be intangible, incentive must be provided, the philosophy teacher believes.

"This is why it is so important that we listen to young people," he advocated.

At Texas A&M

Benson Talks On Safety

Assigning qualified instructors to laboratory courses and giving a safety officer responsibility for lab safety have prevented serious accidents in Texas A&M's College of Engineering, Dean Fred J. Benson says.

Dean Benson spoke on "Safety as it Relates to the College and University from an Administrator's Point of View" at the 16th National Conference on Campus Safety, which ended here Wednesday.

Benson told the 100 delegates an administrator must consider the safety of his staff during travel as well as in the classroom.

"We have an engineering staff member who is lab safety officer. He carries out these duties actively, putting man on the moon," he commented.

The dean said the "safety officer is our best watch on accidents."

He said there are only qualified instructors teaching lab courses in engineering.

The safety officer and a safety committee also review improvements to old labs or construction of new ones.

Closing a campus to traffic will eliminate on-campus traffic hazards, he said, and warning students and staff of traffic hazards can play an important part in off-campus traffic safety.

In another speech Tuesday, A&M radiological safety officer Dr. Richard Neff told the delegates that safety from exposure to ionizing radiation produced in research and industrial uses of radioactive materials may involve controls by several local, state, and federal agencies.

"All controls — whether local, state or federal — are based on

rigid regulations set by the Atomic Energy Commission," explained the two-hat A&M professor, who also teaches nuclear engineering.

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FIRST HOWDY

Freshmen-to-be listen intently as Buddy Mason outlines the kind of life they can expect as members of the Corps of Cadets. Mason, deputy commander of the Corps for 1969-70, addressed the future students at an orientation Wednesday night. (Photo by Monty Stanley)

30 Seniors Here For NSF Course

Thirty high school seniors will attend the eight-week National Science Foundation Student Science Training Program in Engineering Science at A&M starting Monday.

Dr. J. George H. Thompson, professor of mechanical engineering and program director, said the 26 boys and four girls were selected from a field of 500 who took examinations for the summer NSF program.

The students are from high schools in Texas, California, Minnesota, New Jersey and New York.

Dr. Thompson called the 5-year old program "fantastic." He said 20-25 per cent of the students return to A&M for their college education.

During the program, students will review math, review the mechanics that determine forces in trusses, study calculus and differential equations, the theories of elasticity and photoelasticity and work with the digital and analogue computers.

Dr. Thompson said each student will have an individual project in some laboratory on campus during the eight-week course. The department heads in the Department of Engineering cooperated to plan suitable projects. The program ends Aug. 15.

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COLORS PRESENTED

Retired colors of the 420th Engineer Brigade were presented last week to Army Brig. Gen. (Ret) and Mrs. Spencer J. Buchanan. The Bryan-headquartered reserve unit's commander, Brig. Gen. Joe G. Hanover, made the presentation at Camp Bullis.