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Susan assumed ownership of Feb. 2.

"We offer professional personalized hair service for men and women," Susan said adding that the service is "geared toward contemporary hairstyling for business people and for the family.

Susan said the salon offers the full range of hair services including hair cutting, curling, coloring and waving, conditioning and corrective treatments. She said both female operators in the salon were trained at the local Charles & Sue's School of Hair Design in the Pivot Point International method of hair styling.

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# Tent City •

By JIM PETERS

Those residents of Hotard Hilton and Milner Manor who complain of the foot-long roaches and peeling paint should have seen Tent City.

The canvas town was located on the site now occupied by Law and Puryear Halls. Covering ten acres, the 243 tents provided rooms for many of the students who attended A&M at the turn of the century.

A&M Board President K. K

Legett once said: "This is the only institution in the civilized world where a number of its students are forced to live in tents during the entire school year.

Besides, Legett said, the cost of repairing the \$60 tents was becoming too prohibitive and new facilities were needed.



"Hollywood" looked much like a POW camp.

not encourage such primitive for new dorms.
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Staff photo by Douglas Winshi

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Hotard Hall was built to house Sbisa workers.

"Our educational institutions shall asking the the governor for \$80,000 were replaced by 20-foot square wooden shacks soon dubbed "Holethods of living," Legett said when Thus, in the early 1920s the tents

Other students lived in the "fireproof' Legett and Milner Halls which were built in 1911 or other buildings around campus. "Hollywood" was demolished in 1928 to make way for Law and Puryear Halls which introduced the ramp style of living to Ag-

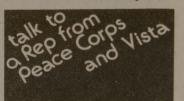
Four rooms were located on each floor of the individual ramps. A pair of rooms shared a bathroom suite as in the modern dorms today

The ramp set-up at A&M was hailed as the latest trend in campus dorm design and two others, Walton and Hart, were soon constructed in the same style.

The practice was abandoned in 1939, however, when \$2.5 million was appropriated for construction of 16 low-cost dormitories. These dorms, The Corps of Cadets living area and the North Dorm area, are dull, box-like structures "which disregard all the amenities found in student housing," said Ernest Langford n his book on A&M Archtiecture, Here We'll Build The College



It's not a campout, it's a dorm area a la 1908.



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chitects, Langford said.

of comfortable living.

workers.

Rather than private bathrooms,

Langford, who was a professor in

the architecture department at the time, said his classes were asked to

draw up proposed plans for the room

design. Final selections were made

but never considered by the ar-

"Every effort was made to obtain

the greatest number of rooms at the

least possible cost," Langford wrote.

Hotard Hall was also erected during this period for the workers in Sbisa Dining Hall. It was named after J. C. Hotard, supervisor of the

No new dorms were built on cam-

pus again until 1965 when five

They are devoid of all the amenities

the residents of each floor shared

common showers and commodes.

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