
IF THERE SHOULD BE A FIRE AT A. AND M.

An interview with Sergeant Kenny, who remembers by name every cadet that has been at A. and M. in his time, developed the fact that even he didn't remember exactly what should be done if a fire should break out. "There was an order issued last year that will tell you more about it than I can. I'll get it out of the vault for you." The Commandant was in his office. He is alive to the importance of "Preparedness." He revised the order for this year. It is printed below:

Headquarters Corps of Cadets
Agricultural & Mechanical College of Texas
College Station, Texas.

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General Order No. 15.

1. When fire is discovered in a building which threatens to reach any other on the Campus, the alarm of fire will be sounded. All trumpeters seeing or knowing of the fire will sound fire call, repeating the call several times.

2. When the alarm is given, the guard will assemble in front of the guard room. If a relief of the guard is not posted, the 1st relief will be posted at once. The commander of the guard will march the remainder of the guard to the fire and report it to the fire marshal.

3. Company "H," 2nd Regt., is designated as HOSE company. The captain of that company will make permanent details of nozzle and spanner men, making two details, one to act in case the other is not present. All commissioned officers of the company will familiarize themselves with the fire plugs on the campus.

4. Company "D," 1st Regt., is designated as the ladder company and will take charge of the ladders, keeping them in Austin Hall. The 2nd Battalion, 1st Regt., is designated as bucket companies and will be in charge of the major of that battalion.

5. Upon the alarm of fire, the hose and ladder companies will proceed with the apparatus to the fire and report to the fire marshal. The bucket companies will take buckets from their rooms, fall in, and be marched to the fire and reported to the fire marshal by the major commanding the battalion, or, in his absence, by the senior captain. When recall is sounded all cadets will pick up their buckets and replace them in their rooms. In order that buckets can be readily recognized each room occupant in the 2nd battalion will paint the number of room and initial of hall on bottom of his bucket.

6. The other companies will fall in at their dormitories and be marched to a point within 100 yards of the fire, halted, and await the orders of the fire marshal.

7. The cadet colonel is designated fire marshal and the other field officers, assistant fire marshals. The fire marshal will take full charge of the corps at the fire, subject to orders only from the President, Commandant, or Assistant Commandant.

8. Members of the guard are cautioned that the entire guard will assemble at the guard room when the fire alarm is given. By order of the Commandant.

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Corps Adjutant

What the Commandant Wanted to Know:

Why are the ladders kept in Austin Hall?

How many of them are there and how long are they?

Who gives the alarm to the Power House?

Do they increase pressure in the mains?

Will the hose stand the pressure?