

Registration Figures Show 5,436 Students

Thursday, September 29, Set as Deadline for All Students Entering A. & M.

By Saturday night the total registration at A. & M. for the current semester had reached the record-breaking figure of 5436 students— which represents an increase of 600 over the registration of last September.

Included in this group are over 2000 freshmen who make up the largest freshman class in the history of the college. Figures on the registration since Saturday night were not available at press time.

Thursday, September 29 is the last day for registration, according to E. J. Howell, Registrar. This is also the last day that students may add or drop courses without penalty.

Initial Meeting Of Debate Club Is Called for Thursday

The initial meeting of the Debate Club for this year will be held Thursday night in the Academic Building, according to C. O. Spriggs, debate coach.

A much larger debating group is expected this year than Mr. Spriggs coached last year. At the beginning of the year plans are being made to hold at least two tournaments at A. & M. this year. Senior colleges only will participate in one match, and the other tournament will be held for junior colleges.

The main topic for debate in the Southwest Conference High School debate clubs will concern the sales tax.

KADET KAPERS

BY JACK PUCKETT

The last line of a front page story in the weekly Pharr Press reads as follows: The promotion of DAN McLENDON to Lieut. Col. marks the highest honor that any Pharr boy has ever received at A. & M. and all Pharr is proud of her hometown son . . . wow!

JESSE OWENS, BILL NEALE, and KURT JACKSON bought a diamond from a sailor in Atlantic City for thirty dollars; it turned out to be beautiful glass. A little waitress at La Topatia Inn caused blows between PAT CLUTTER and PELLY DITTMAN. A good looking girl made EGBERT REAGAN to spend six dollars his first night in camp . . .

BILL PARKER and "CLIP" COUNCILMAN in the OASIS, near Englewood Arsenal, because the head waiter didn't believe that they were "old enough. CLIP" always a resourceful man, complained to the police and was offered a cell by the night sergeant.

There was a feud at Camp Bullis over PAUL WALTON'S girl. An unsuccessful Infantry senior had a date with Miss Opal Bush of San Marcos and she started out to spend the entire evening talking about her little darling DAVE

FIRST DANCE OF YEAR HELD SATURDAY NIGHT

Tommy Littlejohn and his new Aggieband orchestra opened the social season of 1938-39 at A. & M. Saturday night with the first corps dance of the year.

This year's orchestra consists of twelve musicians, nine old members and three new additions. The veteran members, who have all been together for two or more years, include Tommy Littlejohn, director; Jock Littlejohn, saxophone; Jerry Elder, Joe Germany and Henry Baushausen, trumpets; Charles Berry, trombone; Murray Evans, guitar; Sonny Pendery, bass; Bill Blackmore, drums; and Wilbur Kuehne, piano. The new members are all saxophonists, Gene Bond, who has played with the Dallas Federal Symphony and Lowell Riggs, of the Amarillo Station, have had previous experience with orchestras. Max Perkins of McKinney completes the line-up.

The student body will be able to dance to the music of the Aggieband again on the night of Sept. 24, following the game with Texas A. & I.

Student Rentals Boxes at Postoffice

Box rentals to date at the student exchange total more than 90% of the entire number of boxes, but there will be enough boxes available so that every student can have a box.

Even with the confusion existent at the opening of school, postal service will not be impaired, Mrs. Anna V. Smith, postmistress, said. However, Mrs. Smith said, students should feel free at all times to inquire about any mail that they ought to receive or might receive.

Battalion Will Give WTAW News Digest Each Tuesday, Friday

A Battalion news digest will be broadcast each Tuesday and Friday morning at 11:50 over Station WTAW, it was announced today by Dr. E. P. Humbert, program director of the station, and the Battalion office.

The program is scheduled to be a five-minute resume of the news which will appear in the Battalion newspaper to be issued on those days. The newspapers are to be issued at night until final arrangements make it possible to distribute them in the afternoon, according to E. L. Angell, manager of student publications.

Students who are interested in working on the staff of The Battalion are being invited to come to Room 122, Administration Building, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon.

With two issues a week, The Battalion has need of a round 40 reporters and editors.

COLLEGE GETS NEW INSTRUCTORS FOR THIS SESSION

The large increase in enrollment in Texas A. & M. this year has necessitated a similar increase in the faculty of the school. Practically every department has been increased by one to several members to allow for the larger number of students which materialized this year.

As yet the canvas of every department on the campus has not been completed, but a partial list of new faculty members is given here.

In the Civil Engineering Department L. M. Legatski comes in as a new instructor. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and was formerly connected with the Michigan State Highway Department.

An A. & M. graduate who comes back to his alma mater to teach is Lloyd Henderson of the class of 1930. From Schulerburg, where he taught Vocational Agriculture for the past nine years, Henderson will be an instructor in the ag ed department.

The ag ed department announces the hiring of two new men, Preston Kimball and R. M. Denhart. Kimball, who received his bachelor's and master's degree from the University of Illinois, is from the University of Mississippi, where he has taught for one year.

The petroleum engineering course is still attracting as many students as ever, and as a result two new profs have been hired in geology dept. and one in the petroleum engineering department. To the geology department comes L. D. Toulmin, Ph.D., and J. Fred Smith Jr., Ph.D., from Princeton and Harvard respectively. Henry E. Groas, the new member of the petroleum department, comes from the same department of the University of Oklahoma.

O'DANIEL SENT INVITATION TO ATTEND TCU GAME

A large handsomely engraved invitation was sent this week to Governor-elect W. Lee O'Daniel to attend the football game between A. & M. and T. C. U. which is to be played at College Station on October 15.

Included with this invitation were personal letters from President Walton, President Waite of T. C. U., Coaches Homer Norton and Dutch Meyers, the captains of both teams, the president of the student body of T. C. U., and David Thrift, the Cadet Colonel of Texas A. & M., urging Mr. O'Daniel to accept the invitation.

The invitation in full reads as follows: An invitation is extended to Governor-Elect W. Lee O'Daniel and his family to attend the game between the football teams of Texas Christian University and the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to be played at College Station, Texas October fifteenth, nineteen hundred thirty eight.

If Governor-Elect O'Daniel accepts this invitation the cadet corps will probably give a review in his honor the Saturday morning before the game.

EDITOR OF LONGHORN ASKS FOR COOPERATION

Cooperation of all students to make the Longhorn, student annual, run smoothly this year was asked today by W. D. Barton, editor-in-chief, as he announced his first staff meeting for the latter part of next week, at which time final plans will be made for the publication.

Barton pointed out that with the increased size of the student body, the Longhorn staff will face a much harder task than in former years, necessitating the cooperation of all students in meeting deadlines promptly.

He plans to have most of the engraving turned in by Thanksgiving, and in order to do this, class pictures must be taken promptly. Joe Sosolik of the Aggieband Studio is again official Longhorn and Battalion photographer.

Dormitories Will be Built for A.&M. Beginning in November, Says Ashburn

TO BE DEDICATED



St. Thomas' Chapel, above, will be dedicated at College Station Friday afternoon by the Rt. Rev. Cinton S. Quin, Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of Texas.

Danforth Fellowship Winners Return From Northern Journey

David Thrift and O. D. Butler Report Enjoyable Vacations for Selected Students

During the last semester of each year, juniors from the School of Agriculture of each of thirty-seven agricultural colleges in Canada and the United States are selected to make an educational four week's trip with William Danforth. The Danforth Fellowship is awarded by a committee, which includes the Dean of the School of Agriculture, to the college students who have made the best record in their three years of college work.

This year, Texas A. & M. selected two men who were qualified for the Danforth award. David Thrift, and O. D. Butler represented A. & M. in the group of picked men who will never forget their four week's vacation with Mr. Danforth.

Two weeks were spent at the Purina Experimental Farm at Gray's Summit, Missouri, and at

the Purina Mills in St. Louis. At the Experimental Farm, the party gained some real experience by "down to earth" practical dealing with the principles of agriculture. The ten days spent at Purina Mills were partly devoted to classes in salesmanship, advertising, merchandising, price forecasting, office personnel, and in the operation and management of a big business. A sightseeing trip in St. Louis was held.

The last two weeks were spent at Mr. Danforth's camp at Minniewanica, on the shore of Lake Michigan. All barriers to congenial, wholesome living were dissolved and everyone enjoyed the well planned camp life. Each day was so ordered as to include the proper amount of physical, mental and religious activities.

Federal Loan To Assure Huge Program is Sought

If PWA Does Not Grant Request, RFC Funds Will Be Used by College

A. & M.'s dormitory building program, long delayed, will become a reality in November, Col. Ike Ashburn, executive assistant to President Walton, said today.

Application is now being made for a loan and grant of \$4,456,000 from the Public Works Administration, the money to be used in a building program.

Joe Utay, member of the board of directors, is now in Washington conferring with government officials relative to securing the money, 45 per cent of which will be a grant, it is hoped. He expects to learn within a week whether or not the plan will go through.

Secretary of Interior Ickes, administrator of the PWA, has explained that money for the FWA is allotted to the various states on quota, and that Texas has already been granted its quota. However, some of the money may be turned in by the states and will be re-allotted on or around October 1. Revisions will be made when conditions vary and thus A. & M. may yet receive the desired loan.

New housing room is the greatest need of A. & M. at the present time, according to officials. The enrollment has increased from 2,275 in 1934-34, the year after the last dormitories were built, to 5,700 for the present year. Many students are being forced to stay off the campus, some as far away as Navasota, because of unavailability space in dormitories. Almost as many students are living off the campus as are living in the dormitories, according to figures from the office of the Registrar.

The building program will be inaugurated during November, according to Colonel Ike Ashburn, executive assistant to the president. Plans and specifications have already been drawn up and contracts are ready to be signed. The contemplated construction includes dormitories, a dining hall and equipment, an auditorium, a college hotel, a laundry and utilities. A. & M. has already been allowed a grant of \$2,000,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, or 45% of the amount now being requested. If the PWA loan is not secured, construction of dormitories will be begun on the money already obtained.

Exams Wednesday

A board of regular army medical officers will examine applicants for contracts in advance military, starting at 8:00 a. m. Monday, September 19th and continuing through Wednesday, September 21. The place of examination will be the basement of the hospital.

College Station Businesses Expanded For Larger Enrollment

As the student body of A. & M. grows every year, the many business institutions which serve Aggie students expand to make way for a larger student body. This year there may be seen many improvements in the businesses around A. & M. for the convenience of the students.

The Exchange Store has just completed an expansion program, according to R. K. Chatham, manager. The floor space has been increased approximately one-third, and the store has been rearranged so as to accommodate the great number of students who flock to the Exchange Store at the opening of school.

The College Inn is now located

above the Lipscomb Pharmacy. The second floor of this building has just been completed. The inn now has a seating capacity of 168, and has about twice as much space as before. Ordinarily, the inn will be closed at 1 a. m., but it will be open "as long as the crowd is there after the official college dances," V. V. Mercer, the owner, said. Mr. Mercer invites all the Aggies and their dates over to the inn after the dances are over in the Mess hall, for dancing will be provided at the inn on such occasions. Students also are invited to bring their books along when coming over for coffee when studying.

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SULLY'S EARS WASHED BY FISH

After standing around all year through sleet, snow, and rain, Sully, the bronze form of Lawrence Sullivan Ross which stands majestically in front of the Academic building gets a bath and scrub down once a year.

At this time Freshmen first get well acquainted with "Sully" as they give him his annual bath. Several years ago "Sully" was given a pair of white gloves by some thoughtful member of the cadet corps when it was feared students would have to wear white gloves with the No. 1 uniform, but Sunday there could be found no trace of Sully's once outstanding gloves.

Today he still stands majestically with a brighter men. His shiny nose and head, which is the result of many hours of toil by the Fish

NEWSPIX

Jailed After Shooting



S. J. (Baldy) Whatley is pictured in a Dallas jail after arrest in the shooting at a filling station during which Mrs. Barrow, mother of the late outlaw, Clyde Barrow, was injured. The station was being tended by L. C. Barrow, Clyde's brother . . . A twisted and broken mass of wreckage is all that remains of the Boston-bound New York bus after it had been rammed head-on by a trailer-truck near Charlton, Mass. Seven persons died in the accident . . . Pictured is Mrs. Juneau E. Weed, of Brooklyn, N. Y., former student at Colorado U., who was found shot to death on the beach at Peconic, L. I. With Mrs. Weed, also dead, was B. W. Klante, a rifle across his knees. Police say the pair committed suicide when Mrs. Weed's husband, in an institution, refused to give her freedom . . . In earnest conversation at the Latin-American labor conference held in Mexico City are Vicente Toledano, head of the Confederation of Mexican Workers; Leon Jouhaux, French labor leader, and CIO's John Lewis.

Bus-Truck Wreck



Shot to Death



Labor Conference

