

"Bryan - College Entertainment Series" Passes Away

Around 100 Clubs at A. & M. Are Formed By Various Student Groups

There are on the campus of A. & M. around 100 clubs of various kinds. By far most numerous are the home town clubs, composed of boys from the same towns, neighborhood or county. The purpose of these clubs is to promote closer fellowship between the members.

The home town clubs at A. & M. are:

- Ablene A. & M. Club.
- Austin-Washington County Club.
- Collin County Club.
- Fort Worth Club.
- Beaumont Club.
- Big Spring A. & M. Club.
- Brazoria County A. & M. Club.
- Brushland Club.
- Del Rio A. & M. Club.

- Galveston A. & M. Club.
- Gulf Coast A. & M. Club.
- Lamar County A. & M. Club.
- Lavaca County A. & M. Club.
- Limestone County A. & M. Club.
- Mount Pleasant A. & M. Club.
- A. & M. Oil Belt Club.
- Houston Club.
- Kaufman County Free State Club.
- Longview A. & M. Club.
- Madison County A. & M. Club.
- Heart of Texas and Mountaineers Club.
- Panhandle Club.
- Port Arthur A. & M. Club.
- Parker County A. & M. Club.
- Sabine, Neches County Club.
- Rio Grande Valley Club.
- Southwest Texas A. & M. Club.

- San Angelo A. & M. Club.
- Texarkana A. & M. Club.
- A. & M. Triangle Club.
- Turkey Trot Club.
- Waco Club.
- Wharton County Club.
- Travis County Club.
- Victoria A. & M. Club.
- Washington County A. & M. Club.
- Wichita Falls Club.
- Grayson County Club.
- Dallas Club.
- Bell County Club.
- San Saba Club.
- Greenville County Club.

Technical clubs have as their main purpose the promotion of their specific branch of technical knowledge. Their meetings are attended by speakers in their particular fields. Technical clubs include:

- Accounting Society.
 - Agricultural Engineering Society.
 - Agronomy Society.
 - American Institute of Electrical Engineers.
 - Aeronautical Society.
 - American Institute of Mechanical Engineers.
 - Architectural Club.
 - American Society of Civil Engineers.
 - Astronomical Society.
 - Economics Club.
 - Entomology Club.
 - Fish and Game Club.
 - Biology Club.
 - Radio Club.
 - Sociology Club.
 - Saddle and Sirdin Club.
 - Veterinary Medicine Club.
 - American Institute of Chemical Engineers.
 - Horticultural Society.
 - Industrial Arts Club.
 - Kream and Kow Klub.
 - Landscape Arts Club.
 - Marketing and Finance Club.
 - Poultry and Egg Club.
 - Pre-Law Club.
 - Petroleum Engineering and Geological Club.
 - Pre-Medical Society.
- The various religious groups on the campus have formed clubs for the promotion of better relations between religious groups. These clubs are:
- Lutheran Club.
 - Hillel Club.

SAN ANGELO CLUB STAGES ANNUAL DANCE

Climaxing one of the most successful years in the history of the organization, the San Angelo Club was entertained with a dance at the Country Club Wednesday night given in their honor by their Mother's Club. Some 60 members and guests were present to make the dance, which lasted from nine until one o'clock, one of the best attended functions of the club this year.

The intermission program was conducted by Dick Elwell, retiring vice-president, who presented the retiring president, Herbert Mills, with a fountain-pen desk set as a gift from the entire group. Officers-elect for next year were then introduced to the group; these include Fred Sandlin, president; Don Bowen, vice-president; Jack Aycock, secretary, and Bill Tuick, reporter.

- Newman Club.
- Episcopal Club.
- Y. M. C. A. Cabinet.

Certain clubs have been formed for the promotion of scholarship in general and in each particular field, such as Scholarship Honor Society and Las Tres Americas Spanish Club.

Athletic groups also have their clubs, made up of members of the various teams. Some of these are:

- Fencing Team Club.
 - Campus Target Club.
 - T Club.
 - A. & M. Polo Association.
- The A. & M. Press Club composed of members of the staffs of the various publications, works for the betterment of the publications. Some of the clubs, more or less social in nature, but not necessarily from the same home town are:
- Cosmopolitan Club.
 - DeMolay Club.
 - Ross Volunteers (honorary military organization).
- The A. & M. Glee Club and the Debating Club represent A. & M. in their respective fields.

A. & M. PROJECT-HOUSE SYSTEM AFFORDS MANY COLLEGE CAREERS

The largest cooperative student housing program in the United States and the largest cooperative consumers project in Texas—that is the project-house system at A. & M.

The history of this housing plan is relatively short. The Texas A. & M. cooperative housing program for college students was first conceived, organized and sponsored in 1932 by the Department of Rural Sociology, chiefly through the efforts of Dan Russell, head of the Department. From a humble beginning with ten members this organization has almost trebled itself in number for each year to date—there being at the present time 1600 students and some 60 housing units.

This cooperative movement, conceived during the days of the depression, served as a means of bringing a higher education within reach of the ambitious, yet economically handicapped youth of the rural areas. Today this student organization serves its original purpose, but has been modified to meet the educational needs of handicapped youth in both urban and rural areas.

An attempt has been made to tie all the A. & M. projects into the local community by some type of local sponsorship. Student groups may be sponsored by county agents, vocational agriculture teachers, parent-teacher associations, Lions Club, Rotary Clubs, denominational groups, chambers of commerce, women's clubs, the American Legion, county school superintendents, Former Students Clubs, or numerous other civic organizations. These groups are organized on a basis of common interest of locality or social ties.

Sponsors lend moral support and leadership in contacting and organizing those financially handicapped high-school graduates of a locality who desire to further their education. One sponsoring group, Washington County, has financed the building of a home to house their student groups. The students in turn repay the loan with interest through the payment of house rents over a period of years. Sponsors are responsible for leadership, planning, and fostering of groups before the students are sent to college.

The average size of a cooperative group is 22 members. Groups vary from six to 64 members. Each house has a matron or "house mother". She creates a "home-like" stability and is responsible for serving well-prepared and balanced meals. Here is a myriad role of mediator, a giver of advice, a foster-mother, and a purchaser of kitchen supplies. The success of a cooperative group very frequently hinges on her leadership, foresight, management, understanding of

youth and knowledge of an economical yet well-prepared serving of foods.

The members of each house elect a student manager and a treasurer. The student manager is responsible for discipline, house orderliness, inspection of students' rooms, collections of rents and money for payment of household bills. The treasurer keeps books and pays all utility, rent, and grocery bills. This student treasurer determines the amount to be paid by each student as his pro-rata share of the total expenses for a given period. The expense account of each cooperative group is filed at the Department of Rural Sociology each month. The household account is open for inspection by students of a group at any time.

Each student is responsible for a clean and orderly room. Students in cooperative houses observe all college rules in addition to special house rules which have been formulated by Daniel Russell.

The head of the staff of the Department of Rural Sociology serve the general capacities of administration, planning, organization, management and sponsoring of the Student Cooperative Housing Movement. Services rendered are these: (1) answering correspondence of students and civic organizations interested in the cooperative housing plan; (2) serving as co-operative purchasing and distributing agent for all groups; (3) assisting sponsors in locating houses to be rented for cooperative groups; (4) conducting timely meetings of all matrons and student managers for consultation; (5) "ironing out" various difficulties as they arise from time to time; (6) keeping records of expenses for all groups; (7) keeping files and grades on all students; (8) assisting in locating jobs for students; (9) serving as student counselor; (10) lending stability, as a balance wheel to the entire organization; and (11) serving as publicity agent.

"Texas A. & M. Town Hall" Has Taken Its Place

The College-Bryan Entertainment Series "died" Wednesday afternoon as a result of the actions of the committee composed of D. W. Williams, Dr. T. F. Mayo, E. L. Angell, and Walter Sullivan. Next year's entertainment will appear under the auspices of "The Texas A. & M. Town Hall."

The committee announced its tentative program in so far as types are concerned. It is almost certain that the Houston Symphony Orchestra will make a return engagement for the year 1939-40. Also the A. & M. Town Hall will present a soprano soloist such as Gladys Swarthout or Helen Jepson.

Another musical program will be something along the line of the Don Cossack choir, or perhaps the Mozart Choir. The popular dance orchestra for next year will be the best available in price and quality, and if possible a floor show will be arranged. This presentation will take place in Guion Hall rather than in the mess hall as it was the past two years, and should prove as entertaining as any on the entire program. In addition to what has already been named there will be two speakers, one such as Sir Hubert Wilkins, and the other, a speaker on public affairs, such as Stuart Chase, or Phil LaFollette. The play to be offered by Town Hall next year will be one such as "Pygmalion" or "It Can't Happen Here" as offered by the Theatre of Modern Raptory, or a return engagement of the Jitney Players. "Pygmalion" was written by George Bernard Shaw, and "It Can't Happen Here" was written by Sinclair Lewis. The presentation of either of these plays should be tops and will take place in Guion Hall in all probability, for arrangements are being made to prepare the hall for all such programs.

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