



W. E. Webb, state manager of the Prairie State Forestry Project of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, from Amarillo, spoke here yesterday for the special lecture course on conservation (Agricultural Economics 423), on the subject of reforestation.

Construction On New Laundry Begins Soon

Application has been filed with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation at Washington, D. C., for a loan of \$75,000 for building and equipment of a new College Laundry.

The \$75,000 will be used mainly for a new building, which will be considerably larger than the present old laundry. The location for the new building has not yet been announced, but is thought to be next to the old one.

It is the hope of the Board of Directors that construction of the new laundry will be well under way early in the fall, before school starts.

Bids for the building of the new laundry will be received July 12. On the same date bids will be taken for furniture for the new dormitories, and dining tables and chairs for the new mess hall.

Texas Schools Voted 17 Million; Credits In Military Transferrable

The Forty-sixth Regular Session of the Legislature adjourned Wednesday after failing to provide for the financing of social security, the "Number One" problem confronting them, according to Governor O'Daniel.

Although economy was the aim of the Legislature, the amount set aside for educational purposes was substantially increased, even though all building items were eliminated. The increased appropriation was caused by the increased attendance in state schools. The total amount provided in the educational bill was \$17,323,476. Of this amount, \$1,817,413 was appropriated for the University of Texas. The appropriation for last year was \$1,675,724.

Much interest was aroused by the proposal to establish an R. O. T. C. unit on the University campus. After having advanced as far as a final reading in the House, it was defeated. During the reading of the bill, there were loud comments and demonstrations in the balcony by opponents of the bill. General student opinion on the University campus was as usual against the passage of the bill.

The educational bill is now in the hands of the Governor. He has the privilege of vetoing any of the numerous clauses which he thinks unwise.

The Summer BATTALION

Summer Pasture Prom Will Be Held Next Friday

Ten Per Cent of Texas I. E. Educators Here

E. L. Williams, head of the Department of Industrial Education, has announced that nearly 10% of Texas' industrial education teachers are enrolled in his department during the current summer session, doing graduate work.

Although practically all other Texas colleges and universities are offering graduate work and out-of-state colleges are sending attractive literature to interest Texas' industrial education teachers, Mr. Williams has stated that the A. & M. enrollment in this field is larger than any other college or university in the Southwest.

Two states and 46 towns and cities are represented by 63 persons during the current session. This group includes nine teachers of vocational industrial arts, five teachers of college work, six school administrators, 37 teachers of industrial arts and six others.

Outstanding Sports Stars To Be Chosen

The most outstanding boy and girl in the field of sports will be chosen next week by various observers on the college campus, and will be announced by the Sports Editor of The Summer Battalion in the final edition of the paper for the first semester.

Students will be recommended with the principal ideas in mind of not only how many sports they play but also how well they play and their attitude throughout the games. Sports to be included in the contest will include swimming, softball, tennis, golf, bowling, and the old standby of the weekends, dancing.

Well, be on your best from now on, for one never knows who's watching, does one?

DR. JAMES L. DODSON, instructor in the History Department, is spending the first part of this summer in Europe, where his itinerary includes France, Austria, Switzerland, and England. Dr. Dodson will teach a course at A. & M. on International Developments during the second summer semester.

2,000 Expected for Jr. Division, 5,000 for Adult Division, of Farmers' Short Course on Campus

The annual A. & M. Farmers' Short Course will soon be held on the campus, and as always before is expected to attract many hundreds of Texas farmers and farm children to the college.

As in 1938, the current meeting will be divided into two sections—one July 5 through 7 for 4-H Club boys and girls, and a second one July 12 through 14 for adults. Division of the short course allows the institution to provide sufficient accommodations for the crowds.

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New Dorms Rapidly Approach Completion

Construction of the twelve new dormitories is up to schedule. With more than 600 men working at a feverish rate in order to complete them by September 1, it appears that if the construction company runs into no unforeseen difficulties, the halls will be ready for occupancy by the time the fall session starts, which is the time the contract specifies they must be ready.

With the exception of having the masonry cleaned, the aluminum doors set, and locks put in the wooden doors, the construction of three of the dorms is complete. By the end of this week all the exterior masonry of the buildings will be completed. However, a small amount of work will remain on the interior masonry.

Laying of bricks for the new mess hall has started. As this is the largest of the buildings and a large amount of equipment must be installed, it is probable that this will be the last building to be finished. However, it will be ready to serve 3,000 Aggies by the time school starts in September. With the completion of this building, A. & M. will have the two largest mess halls in the world.

Bids for furniture—beds, chairs, desks, and dressers—for the new dorms, and dining tables and chairs for the new mess hall, will be received July 12, the same day bids are taken for the new laundry for which application is now pending with the R. F. C., which furnished the \$2,000,000 loan to the college for the new dormitories and dining hall.

Two months ago the Southern Equipment Company of St. Louis was awarded the \$200,000 contract for all mess hall equipment other than the tables and chairs. This equipment is to be installed in the new mess hall and ready for use at the same time as are the new buildings.

It is not yet known what organizations will be assigned to the new halls, other than the major athletes and the Aggie Band. Each of these groups will occupy a new hall. Announcement of dormitory assignments for all organizations will be made July 1.

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Dance Chairman



Miss Peggy Campbell, Summer Battalion staff member, who is co-chairman of the Summer Pasture Prom committee.

THE SUMMER PRESS CLUB, composed of members of The Summer Battalion staff, has made plans for a picnic to be held Friday evening at Hensel Park, near Scoates' Lake. Members of the club will meet at the Administration Building at seven o'clock. Plans have been made to serve hot dogs. A short game of baseball is also entered in the evening's entertainment, with the losers having to cook the hot dogs.

A.&M. Gym Scene Of Informal Event

The Summer Pasture Prom, the college's first summer dance in recent years, will be sponsored by the Summer Press Club next Friday night, July 7, from 9 until 1.

Milton Edge's Orchestra will feature "swing," as the square dance takes a back seat at an informal barn dance. Tickets to the Summer Pasture Prom, which will be held in the A. & M. Gym, are priced at only 75 cents and may be purchased from members of the Press Club or at Lipscomb Pharmacy.

The boys and girls who have attended an A. & M. barn dance in the past remember the enjoyment of attending these informal dances dressed just as they please.

Cool, comfortable clothes will be the order of the day, and the theme of the entire prom, like former Aggie barn dances, will be informality. Proceeds of the Prom will go to the Summer Press Club.

The Summer Pasture Prom committee, headed by co-chairmen Peggy Campbell and George Fuermann, includes Ross Cox, finance; Charles Ballowe, Paul Stueb, Sara Allen Cofer, Earle Shields, and Bob Nisbet, decorations; Sylvia Smith, Margaret Ann Williams, Delbert Whitaker, and Jimmy James, publicity; Don Burk, Hub Johnson, Margaret Hollingshead, Albert Clay, and Herman Spodee, tickets.

State School Administrators Attend Two Conferences On Here This Week

American Schools Must Exalt Democracy, Says Brooks to Supervisors

"Any school program that does not exalt democracy and make school life an experience in democracy must inevitably be of poor quality in America," Dean T. D. Brooks of the School of Arts and Sciences and the Graduate School of A. & M. told approximately 75 county superintendents and supervisors at the opening session of their annual conference here Monday morning.

"Americans believe in a government that is a servant, not a master of the people," he said. "Education must foster this conception of government, or in this or some other period of depression and bewilderment we may find ourselves subjects of a totalitarian state. Americans believe in a government of law and not of men in distribution of governmental power as a safeguard against tyranny. Dictatorships cannot come so long as our people understand and cherish these principles."

Dr. Maycie Southall, professor of elementary education of George Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville, Tennessee, opened her series of six lectures with the advice to make the school environment more educational and to devote considerable thought to the

Wilcox Leads Discussion Of State Aid at Meet of Leading Administrators

Administration of safety education and cooperation with industry in industrial education are principal topics of the Sixth Annual Texas School Administration conference being held at A. & M. Tuesday through Friday of this week. Dean T. D. Brooks, head of the School of Arts and Sciences and of the Graduate School, is conference secretary. P. E. Wallace of Mount Pleasant is general chairman of the executive committee.

Prof. George B. Wilcox, instructor in the A. & M. Department of Education and president of the Texas State Teachers Association, is leading a discussion each day of the three-day session, on "What State Aid Is Necessary."

Other speakers have been T. Q. Srygley, assistant superintendent of Port Arthur, speaking on "Plans of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for Evaluating and Accrediting High Schools"; Supt. W. C. Davis of Memphis, leading a two-day discussion on "Interpreting the Present-Day School Program to the Public"; Prof. E. L. Williams, head of the Industrial Education Department, leading the discussion of "Administration of