

# Ag Eco Speakers As Course Nears Conclusion



Price Hobgood, Junior Agricultural Engineer, U. S. Soil Conservation Service. Mr. Hobgood's subject will be "Soil and Water Conservation in Flood Control" and will be delivered today.



C. B. Spencer, Area Conservationist, U. S. Soil Conservation Service. Mr. Spencer's lecture, "The Teacher's Opportunity in a Soil and Water Conservation Program," will be delivered on July 8.



R. E. Callendar, Game Management Specialist, A. & M. College Extension Service. On July 10 Mr. Callendar will lecture on "The Landowner's Part in Wildlife Conservation."



Victor M. Ehlers, Director, Bureau of Sanitary Engineering, Health Department, who will lecture here July 13. His subject will be "Environmental Control in Public Health."



Dr. Van C. Tipton of the State Board of Health, who will lecture here July 13.

## Doctor's Degree Without High School Diploma Is Record Of Battalion Columnist

By Margaret Ann Williams  
A Doctor's degree without a single day of high school attendance! That is the record of Dr. Al B. Nelson, professor of history at A. & M. Dr. Nelson was born in Dallas, Texas, and received his public

school education in that city. When he reached the sixth grade he was forced to quit school and get a job. During the next several years he worked at everything from office boy to private detective.



Finally he was able to go back to school to work for a college degree. After taking entrance examinations, he entered T. C. U., where he became interested in history and received his bachelor and master of arts degrees.

In 1933 he went to the University of California where he served as head teaching and research assistant in the history department. In 1936 he received his Ph.D. from that institution.

A true Texan, Dr. Nelson was discontented outside of his home state, and in 1937 he came to Texas A. & M.

Although he cares little for organizations, Dr. Nelson is a Mason and a member of the American Association of University Professors, the Southwestern Committee on Latin American Culture, and the Texas History Association. His hobby is photography. He and Mrs. Nelson have traveled extensively, and on many trips he has taken as many as two or three thousand

## Official Notices

The office of the city secretary will be open from 1 to 5 p. m. July 12, 13, and 14, for the purpose of receiving tax valuation renditions. —Sidney L. Loveless, City Secretary.

All summer school classes will be suspended the second period (8:50 a. m.) Tuesday morning, July 11, to permit the faculty and the student body to hear the second of the current series of summer entertainment programs, Salom Rizk.

BEGINNING SUNDAY, JULY 9, the College Library will be open during the summer session from 7 to 10 p. m. on Sundays, as long as the use justifies the expense. This tentative arrangement is being made primarily for the benefit of graduate students who are working under pressure. Reserve books checked out at noon Saturday will now be due at 7 p. m. Sunday.

DORM ASSIGNMENTS—  
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tillery unit (giving it a total of 214 members, the greatest in its history) will occupy dormitory No. 11, which possesses a sound-proof auditorium and practice room. The athletes will be in 12, which is equipped with shower rooms, trainers' rooms, and other necessities and conveniences of the athlete.

The Engineer Corps, with 68 or 70 men in each company, will reside in Walton and Post-Graduate Halls. The Cavalry, with 72 men per troop, will occupy both Law and Puryear halls. And the Coast Artillery with 66 to 72 men in each battery will use Hart, Bizzell, and Mitchell.

A percentage of day-students will be assigned to drill with each company, so that there will be no more wholly day-student companies.

pictures, many of which he makes into slides. His photography is of practical value also; in his office are box after box of photographs of historical documents, ranging from the Declaration of Independence to the Mexican Census of 1756.

His greatest interest lies in the history of Mexico and the border, and he has written several articles relating to the history of this region.

Dr. and Mrs. Nelson recently built a new home in College Park for which he was the architect, head electrician, and "canvas-putter-onner."

All in all, The Summer Battalion's first-semester news commentator is a brilliant and versatile personality.

SALOM RIZK—  
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entertainment for every audience.

Mr. Rizk, who comes endorsed by leading educators of the nation, will deliver his interesting address in the Assembly Hall. All second period classes will be dismissed to permit the faculty and students to hear the program.

"Tara," the fictional home of Scarlett O'Hara, heroine of the best-seller, "Gone With the Wind," achieves reality at the New York World's Fair. It will form part of the Georgia exhibit.

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