

A. & M.'s Veterinary School Is Now Largest in North America

The Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College with 6,063 students enrolled as of Oct. 10, has the largest attendance of any college in the world only for men.

Located in the largest livestock State in the Union, it is fitting that Texas A. & M. should also boast the largest school of veterinary medicine with 386 students enrolled this year.

This school of veterinary medicine, one of the five schools at the college, was organized by the late Dr. Mark Francis, D. V. M., in 1916 and from its original enrollment of seven students it has grown to be the largest school of veterinary medicine on the North American continent and one of the outstanding schools in the world. Although there have been many more such schools in the past, at the present time there are only 12 now in existence in the United States and Canada with 10 of those in this country.

School's Beginning Traced

Veterinary medicine had its beginning at Texas A. & M. in 1888 when Dr. Francis was appointed professor of veterinary science, and chief of the division of veterinary science, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, a position he held until his death in 1936.

He taught a course in veterinary medicine offered by the school of

agriculture and in 1905 was joined by Dr. R. P. Marsteller, present dean of the school of veterinary medicine, in his classroom teaching.

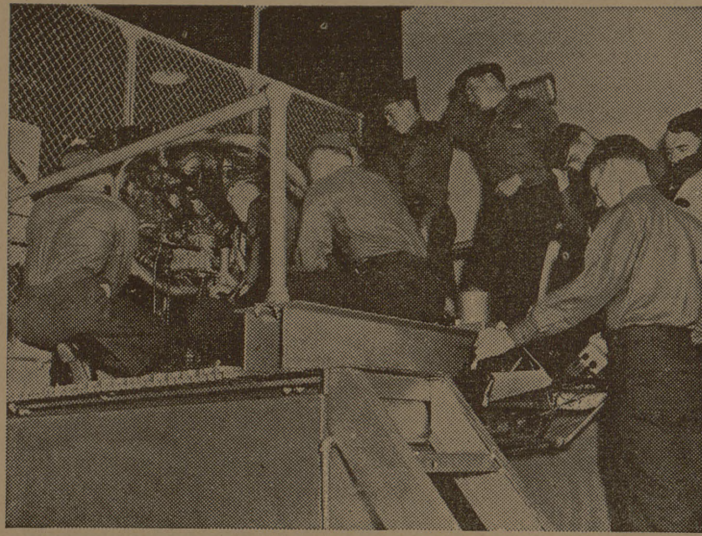
In 1916 when the school of veterinary medicine was established, Dr. Francis was appointed its dean and served in that capacity until his death. In 1937 Dr. Marsteller succeeded to the deanship and under his guidance the school has expanded from a four-year course to one requiring five years of study and now numbering six departments, namely: Veterinary anatomy, hygiene, medicine, surgery and clinics, parasitology and bacteriology and physiology and pharmacology. The curriculum covers one year of pre-veterinary work and four years of veterinary studies leading to the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D. V. M.).

Teachers Are Listed

The department of veterinary anatomy has Prof. Thomas S. Leith as head with Prof. Stephen W. Lange as assistant, Henry P. Shoeman as instructor; James W. Allen and Robert R. Watkins as graduate assistants, and Cecil E. Byrd and Claude R. Wiley as student assistants.

The department of veterinary hygiene has Prof. Fred P. Jaggi Jr.,

Flying Cadets "Trouble Shooting" on the Test Blocks



One of the most interesting periods of initial assignments given Flying Cadets at the Army Air Corps Primary Flying School at Randolph Field, Texas, covers "trouble shooting" on the long row of test blocks upon which all types of aviation engines are mounted.

Minor faults in either the carburetion or electrical system are intentionally caused by the instructor, then the Flying Cadet is called upon to find the cause of the misfire. In this photograph several cadets are working on the engine as another member of the student group operates the throttle. Heavy wire screening protects the men from the whirling propeller.

Flying Cadets are between 20 and 27 years of age and while in training at the "West Point of the Air" receive \$75 per month together with uniforms, board and lodging, and the best of medical care when necessary.

Austin Mothers' Club Makes Donation To Aggie Library Fund

Dr. T. F. Mayo, college librarian, recently received a \$15 check from the Capitol Mothers' Club in Austin, for the library reading fund. This is the latest contribution for this year, bringing the total sum to \$388. The amount of contributions for this year has already exceeded that of last year, which was \$285.

Other recent contributions to this fund have been made by the Mothers Clubs of Grayson County, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, and many others including an anonymous sum of \$10.50.

as head with Jack A. Rehkemper as student assistant.

The department of veterinary medicine, surgery and clinics has Prof. R. P. Marsteller as head and dean, Prof. August A. Lener as head of the department, Prof. Harold M. Spangler as assistant; James R. Ketchersid and Carl Fink as instructors, and Garland D. Stallworth, Raymond C. Garrett and George A. Martin as student assistants.

The department of veterinary parasitology has Prof. Horatio L. Van Volkenberg as head and Sydney A. McDonald and Charles R. Tubbs as student assistants.

The department of veterinary pathology and bacteriology has Professor R. Clark Dunn as head, Prof. John H. Milliff as assistant, Terry G. Ozier as instructor, and James R. Saunders, William N. Porter and Ray J. Foshee as student assistants.

The department of veterinary physiology and pharmacology has Prof. Patton W. Burns as head, Prof. George T. Edds as assistant, Herbert I. Ott as instructor, and Kephart M. Curtis, Tom Thaxton, William C. Banks and Robert B. Leathers as student assistants.

Results of Training

Graduates in veterinary medicine at the college have received training qualifying them for: Practice of veterinary medicine; meat, milk and food inspection; teaching; research commercial production and dispensation of curative and preventive biologics and other preparations; service in the Veterinary Corps, United States Army; work in and for boards of health, state and federal bureaus of animal industry, and medical centers, and foundation training for other fields of biology, dealing with domestic and wild animals, including poultry and zoo and pet animals.

Stressing the importance of veterinary training and its usefulness to Texas and its people, Dr. Marsteller says:

"Graduates in veterinary medicine are much needed by the live stock industry and public health and the owners of pet animals. Pet animals frequently are not considered in the economic picture. However, there is used annually in the United States over \$100,000,000 of prepared food for small animals. About \$75,000,000 of this food is canned. From many standpoints, Texas offers a field for the manufacture of small animal foods worthy of consideration by persons who wish investments in industry. All the ingredients for a complete ration for pet animals are available and are probably less expensive in Texas than in any other state."

Coordinator



Uel Stephens, '16

Uel Stephen, ex-Aggie of the class of '16, for the past seven years with the Federal Public Works Administration in Fort Worth, has become associated with the Texas State Highway Department as engineering coordinator of the department's W. P. A. construction program. After June 1, he will be located at the Austin office of the Highway Department.

During the past year, he has been regional engineer and assistant regional director of the Federal Public Works Administration in Fort Worth.

RECENT RECORD RELEASES

NOTHING BUT YOU, EV'RY SUNDAY AFTERNOON, FROM ANOTHER WORLD, and IT NEVER ENTERED MY MIND, are four selections from "Higher and Higher", a new musical production built up on score by Lorene Hart and Richard Rodgers, Broadway's most consistent hit producers. The first pair, a waltz and a medium tempo foxtrot, is played by Leo Reisman and his orchestra, famed for their skillful interpretations of musical comedy tunes. The Deep River Boys, a male quartet, singing in a unique and highly diverting style, present the lyrics to both these selections. Larry Clinton and his famous swing band style the second pair, with Terry Allen, romantic baritone, as the vocalist.

Tommy Dorsey gives us two pop tunes from a popular Paramount film—SAY IT and MY! MY! Both were written by Frank Loesser and Jimmy McHugh, two of filmdom's ace tune-smiths. SAY IT is a medium slow ballad sung by Frank Sinatra. MY! MY! is a swing song ably handled by The Pied Pipers. Dorsey's trombone is both sweet and hot in this double where his astonishing versatility is clearly demonstrated.

Another recording of IT NEVER ENTERED MY MIND and NOTHING BUT YOU is that by Tony Pastor and his orchestra. Kay Foster, not unknown to readers of "Down Beat", sings the first, and Bob Carroll the second. Charlie Barnet and his orchestra with Mary Ann McCall as vocalist offers another recording of FROM ANOTHER WORLD and EV'RY SUNDAY AFTERNOON. Both numbers are played in medium sweet swing time and show off the maestro's mastery of the saxophone as

ANNUAL ENGINEERING DRAWING CONTEST WILL CLOSE MAY 30TH

Thoughts of drawing sets, drafting sets, and various other prizes are racing through the minds of many engineer drawing students as this week comes to a close, for the annual Engineering Drawing and Descriptive Geometry contest, which is sponsored by Texas A. & M., has reached its halfway mark.

Students who entered this contest are allowed to make their drawing entries a part of their regular class work. The contest closes May 30, 1940.

There are six divisions of the contest, and the Eugene Dietzgen Company is offering valuable awards to the winners of each division. All students who have entered or plan to enter must be recommended by their instructor in Engineering Drawing. Generally, only those who do an "A" grade of work are allowed to compete. Although several weeks have elapsed since the contest began, it is not too late for any student desiring to enter, for most of the different divisions have a time limit.

The best drawings or tracings in each of the six classes will be entered in the National Drawing Competition sponsored by the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education. No prizes are offered, but honorary diplomas of award are granted. The best engineering schools in the country enter this contest annually, and in the past Texas A. & M. has won more awards than any other institution in the United States.

Cash Prizes Are Offered By Aggie For Short Stories

Walter Sullivan has announced that he is sponsoring a short-story writing contest in which cash prizes will be offered.

The idea behind the contest is to collect material for a book to be entitled "Interesting Experiences of Texas Aggies." A cash prize of \$10 will be awarded to the writer of the best story and \$5 to the writer of the second best; the contest is open to all, and the stories will be judged on genuine interest alone.

Rules concerning the contest are as follows:

1. The story must be true, and signed as such.
 2. The story must relate an experience that has occurred since the writer first matriculated at A. & M.
 3. The contest closes May 10.
- Upon entrance into the contest, all stories become the property of Walter Sullivan. A committee will be formed to judge the stories.

Karl Manke Selected As Agronomist For Experiment Station

A. B. Conner, director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, a division of A. & M. College, has announced the appointment of Karl F. Manke as an associate agronomist.

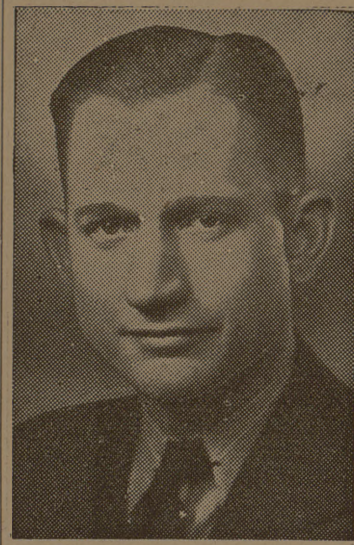
Seventy-eight Indiana University graduates have become college presidents.

well as the polish of the orchestra's ensemble. Barnet's numerous broadcasts from the Hotel Lincoln have already established his band as one of the most promising units of the new season.

A pair of smooth new melodies comprise Glenn Miller's latest disc. SIERRA SUE, a composition of Joseph Carey, is a song interesting from both the lyrical and musical standpoints. Miller's arrangement featuring his unique five-man sax section and the trombone choir fits this attractive number to perfection. Ray Eberle is vocalist for both selections. Richard Himber, Irving Gordon, and Al Kaufman wrote MOMENTS IN THE MOONLIGHT which is performed in a sweet-swing style.

From the new MGM film "Forty Little Mothers" starring Eddie Cantor, comes the latest of the "kid" songs, "LITTLE CURLY-HAIR IN A HIGH CHAIR." Charlie Tobias and Nat Simon collaborated on this composition, achieving promising results. Tommy Taylor is vocalist for this as well as for I NEED A FRIEND, the Kenny brothers and Pierre Norman's latest effort. Both tunes are played by Mitchell Ayres and his "Fashions in Music." I NEED A FRIEND is a slow tempo ballad. Its spot in the Wm. Howard production "Back Door to Heaven" was important in introducing it to the general public.

Former Gridster Now Lumberman



John A. Deffebach, '28

John A. Deffebach, ex-Aggie of the class of '28, of Abilene, president of the Central West Texas Lumbermen's Association, responded to the welcome address at the opening session of the largest annual convention of the Lumbermen's Association of Texas, held at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth, recently.

Deffebach has been with the Burton-Lingo Lumber Company, retail lumber dealers, for the past ten years. Previous to his present location at Abilene, John was located at Fort Worth, Texas. He is married and has one child.

As a cadet at A. & M. "Johnny" as he was commonly called, was a major in the cadet corps, a Ross Volunteer during 1927 and 1928; a member of the varsity football team in '26, '27 and '28; president of the "T" Club in '28, a member of the Senior Ring Committee, and manager of intramural athletics in '27. He played end on the football team.

M. E. Seniors Win Prizes in Lubbock

Senior students in the Mechanical Engineering Department of Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College won first and tenth prizes for papers presented in competition with students of ten other colleges represented at the Lubbock meeting of group 7, American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

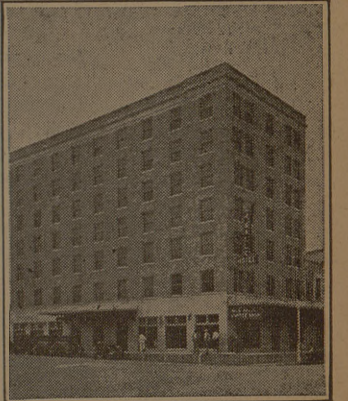
First prize was won by John W. Wood of Milford with his paper on "Forced Draft Cooling Towers" and tenth prize went to George W. Wheeler of Victoria for his paper on "Repairing Casting by New Methods." V. M. Faires and J. S. Hopper of the mechanical engineering faculty accompanied the students to the meeting held at Texas Technological College Friday and Saturday.

Dairy Department To Sponsor Course

The annual Milk Sanitarians Short Course will be held at Texas A. & M., April 29 to May 1, according to an announcement made by Prof. Charles N. Sheppardson, head of the Dairy Husbandry Department at the college.

Each year the State Health Department cooperates with the college in holding the short course and the speakers will be drawn from the staffs of the college, the Texas A. & M. Extension Service, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the State Health Department.

Citizenship education is the name of a new course just added to the Alma College curriculum.



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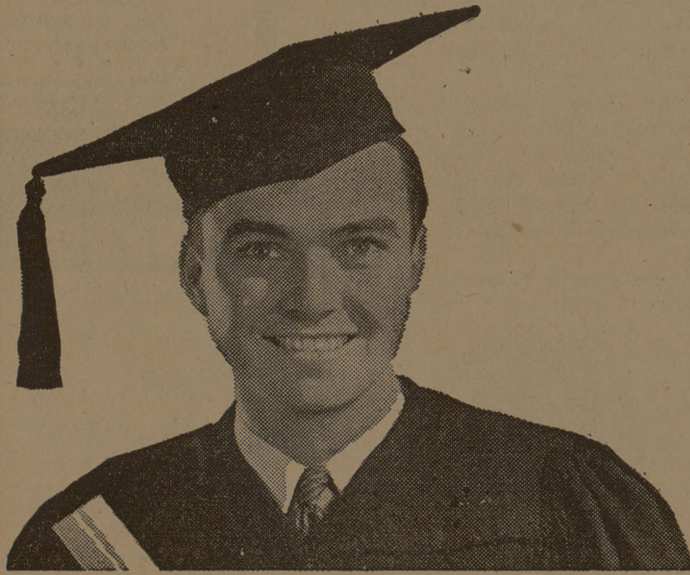
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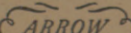


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