

Bagley Credited For Success of Summer Cotton School Course

Much of the credit for success of the 35 summer cotton schools which have been held by the Department of Agronomy of Texas A&M College belongs to J. B. Bagley, professor of cotton marketing who is rounding out his 39th year on the College faculty, Dr. Luther G. Jones, acting department head, declared today.

Professor Bagley came to Texas A&M College first in 1905 after having received his scientific education at Wake Forest College and North Carolina Textile School, and four years' experience with the Roanoke Rapids Cotton Mills. After two years here as instructor of textile engineering he went to Mississippi State College in the same capacity in 1907, but returned

in 1908 and headed the Texas A&M Department of Textile Engineering until the department was discontinued.

He will assist Harold B. Connolly in the course of instruction for the 36th annual summer cotton school to be held by the Department of Agronomy May 28 to July 7, Dr. Jones said.

Mr. Connolly is eminently fitted for teaching cotton classing, selection and mill preparation, Dr. Jones said, as he has had a long and successful career as a cotton classer and buyer.

The slate of outstanding authorities on various phases of cotton production and research who will be brought in to give lectures to the 1945 summer cotton school on their special subjects is about completed, Dr. Jones announced.

A firebreak is a fort from which to attack fires.

Interrupted Flow of Trained Men Causes Concern, Says Brooks

The fact that the war has so greatly interrupted the flow of trained men into technical and scholarly service and that the manpower policies of the United States have done so little to lessen the difficulty has caused grave concern in many fields, Dean T. D. Brooks said Wednesday. To reestablish such a flow, particularly in the fields of research and teaching, is a major problem of "reconversion."

A very definite expression of concern about this problem is the grant of special funds by the Rockefeller Foundation to the National Research Council and to the Social Science Research Council to make possible grants especially to young men who have been pressed into the war-time research program or have had their training interrupted by military service.

These grants, which will be made in amounts determined by the need of the individual applicant, will be available only to those who have had considerable graduate training and who have evidenced superior ability. Pre-Doctoral grants will not be made to men more than thirty years of age. Post-Doctoral grants will be limited to men under thirty-five.

The Rockefeller Foundation is also making grants direct to superior students of the humanities.

Dean Brooks thinks it likely that some of the College staff now on leave may be interested, and that their attention may be directed to the opportunity by friends who read this item. He will be glad to help interested parties get in touch with the officers of the Councils.

Oil Mill Operator's Short Course Result Of Close Cooperation

The 17th annual short course for cottonseed oil mill operators which will be held at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas June 11-16 is the result of long years of close cooperation between the Texas Cottonseed Crusher's Association and the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering of the College.

It also has the cooperation of the Oil Mill Machinery and Supply Association which will be guests of the short course June 14 and 15, and the National Oil Mill Superintendents' Association which will hold its annual meeting following the short course banquet the night of June 14.

Registrants will be divided into several groups and will alternate between and laboratory work in the new Cottonseed Products Research Laboratory so that each person will have an opportunity to participate in all phases of the work, F. F. Bishop, professor of Chemical engineering and director of the short course, has announced. The Texas A. & M. College,

Army Firefighting Crews Extinguish B-24 Bomber Flames to Feature Fireman's School

A demonstration of airplane crash firefighting highlighted the sixteenth annual firemen's school held at Texas A. & M. College, May 28 to June 1. Over 500 firemen and instructors registered at the school, which was designed for training both military and civilian firefighters.

Four hundred gallons of gasoline and oil were poured on a worn-out B-24 bomber and ignited in each of three operations Wednesday, May 30, at the drillfield. Rescue demonstrations were staged by crash firefighting trucks and crews from Bryan Field, Randolph Field, and Brooks Field, each crew using a different type of equipment.

Another feature of the firemen's school was a demonstration of safe handling in transport and delivery of butane gas, conducted by J. W. Martin of the Lone Star Gas Company. H. R. Brayton, of the A. & M. College chemistry department, acted as director of the training school and spoke May 28 on the new fire hazards created by the increased use of plastics in building materials and everyday articles. Olin Culberson, state railroad commissioner, discussed the topic "Looking Ahead with the Volunteer Fire Department" on Tuesday. Using a small model home with removable roof and ceilings, P. W. Clooney, assistant fire marshal of Houston, pointed out 35 common fire hazards in the typical residence at the Thursday meeting. Frank Williams, chief of field instruction for the school, supervised a written examination given Friday.

Intended primarily for firemen in small towns and rural areas, the school was divided into four courses of instruction: the basic course, fire department instructor's course, fire marshal's course, and Red Cross first aid course. Any community represented by a fireman who completes any of the courses satisfactorily received a three per cent credit in fire insurance rate. The school for firemen is conducted each year by the Texas A. & M. Chemistry department under auspices of the Texas Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association.



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Worship Program to End Presbyterian Bible School Saturday

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Parents and friends of the children are invited to inspect the hand-work displays beginning at 8:30 a.m. and to join in the worship service at 9:00 in the Music Room of the high school. Refreshments will be served after the worship program.

Approximately 65 children, ranging from 4 years to high school age, are enrolled at the school. Mrs. Frank Anderson is general director, and her assistants are: Mrs. Roy Carpenter, Mrs. A. R. Kemmerer, Mrs. Jack Miller of San Saba, Mrs. Albert Stevens, Mrs. Norman Anderson, Mrs. Raymond Rogers, Miss Shirley Hampton, Miss Joyce Patranella, Mrs. J. R. Hillman, Mrs. Garland Brown, and Miss Paula Woodard.

Reservations Still Taken For Aircraft Mechanics Course

Some reservations still are being taken for the first full scale course in aircraft and aircraft engine mechanics to be offered at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas starting June 4 and running 40 hours per week for the next 20 months, Robert M. Pinkerton, head of the Aeronautical Engineering Department, has advised.

Instruction will be given jointly by the Department of Industrial Education and Aeronautical Engineering. About half the course will be devoted to aircraft engine studies and the other half to the aircraft frame. Satisfactory completion of the course should enable the student to take the Civil Aeronautics Administration licensing examination, Pinkerton said.

Students taking the aircraft and aircraft engine mechanics course will live in dormitories and take meals in the dining hall at the same rate as regular college students. They will not be required to pay tuition fee, but will pay a nominal hospital fee which will entitle them to use as needed of hospital facilities. They will furnish their own text books, which Pinkerton said will cost about \$10.00 for the full course.

"This is a grand opportunity for any boy who likes to work with airplanes," Pinkerton said, "More and more responsibilities in future years will be thrown upon CAA licensed mechanics to keep planes air worthy. The boy who gets his training now is making an investment toward his future that will pay many fold."

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