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Cadet Officers And Non-Coms Report Early

Cadet officers and non-commissioned officers recently appointed by the Military Department will be required to report to school on Thursday, September 11, Colonel G. S. Meloy, Commandant and PMS&T, announced Friday.

During Thursday and Friday cadets will receive instructions in leadership, supply problems, and duties of commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

The college will furnish necessary rations and quarters for these cadets during the orientation period.

Lounges Under Construction In Dormitories 9 & 10

Construction of lounges to accommodate students' visitors started Wednesday morning in dormitories 9 and 10. According to T. R. Spence, manager of the construction program, the Board of Directors has directed that plans and estimates be prepared for student lounges in all dormitories and has empowered the Building Committee of the Board to order construction to proceed after estimates and plans are submitted. The construction of the lounges in Dorms 9 and 10 will furnish the basis for plans and estimates for the other lounges.

Each lounge will be made from six dormitory rooms and the hallway between them. There will be facilities for reading and writing as well as comfortable seats and tables for games. One of the rooms will be made into a ladies rest room, while partitions will be removed from the others to provide one large room. These lounges will be completed by the middle of September, Spence said.

Bryan School May Lose Affiliation

Twenty Texas school districts, including Bryan, a total enrollment of 150,000 students, may lose their accredited standings unless they revise their teacher salary schedules to comply with the new minimum wage law. Most of the group are attempting to pay Negro teachers less than whites, according to State Superintendent L. A. Woods.

Attorney General Price Daniel ruled that the salary basis provided under the new legislature applies to all instructors regardless of race. The law sets a minimum of \$2,000 annually for teachers holding a bachelor degree.

The twenty districts, which include one-tenth of the students in the state, are Amarillo, Big Spring, Bryan, Eagle Pass, Elysian Fields, Gainsville, Goose Creek, Jacksonville, Lufkin, Marshall, McKinney, Mexia, Midland, Mt. Pleasant, Overton, Palestine, Pampa, Taft, and Washom. Affiliation was also withheld from twelve other schools for incomplete information concerning wages, it was announced.

Graduates of unaccredited high schools must take entrance examinations before going to college. Unaccredited schools will draw the \$55 per capita state funds but will not receive one-ninth of their equalization (rural-aid) funds. These schools are paid from this fund for only eight months, while accredited schools receive aid for nine months each year.

Campus Wimmin Say They're Agin It . . .

GI Wives Blast Longer Skirts

By Vlek Lindley

Wives of GI students at A&M this week attacked recent fashion edicts which call for skirts as low as 10 inches from the ground. In protest the campus wives founded "Little Below the Knees" club, pledging themselves to lower their skirts no more than just below the knee.

The movement swept over the campus Monday after several of the wives heard about such a club being formed in Dallas.

"Women whose husbands are in school under the GI bill can't afford to throw away their wardrobes at the whim of so-called fashion-dictators," said Mrs. Jack Tippit, temporary president of the A. & M. L.B.K. club. "We want our dresses to be comfortable, practical, and good-looking, none of which can be claimed by the new styles."

"Furthermore, these long dresses are definitely not good for a tall girl," concluded Mrs. Tippit, who is six-foot-one.

Mrs. Vlek Lindley, temporary secretary, stated: "It's an outrage



CORKY AND HURD—new men clothiers at North Gate.

AVC Backs Passage of College Building Amendment Aug. 23

The College Station Chapter of the American Veterans Committee will solidly support the proposed College Building Amendment to be voted upon August 23 by the people of Texas, H. E. Roberts, Jr., chairman, stated last week in a letter to The Battalion editor.

Roberts, speaking on behalf of the local AVC chapter, stated: "For many years now this state has lagged behind much of the rest of the nation in the field of education. This amendment is long overdue. The people of Texas must realize that students in state-supported colleges cannot receive adequate education unless these schools can offer adequate facilities in the form of buildings and equipment."

"The people of this nation have seen fit to spend billions of dollars in educational benefits for veterans of World War II. However, much of this money will be wasted if veteran and non-veteran students of this state must attend badly overcrowded classes in poorly

equipped buildings. "Everyone here at A. & M. must realize that the future of this state will depend on whether or not today's students become the intelligent, well-informed citizens of tomorrow. The College Building Amendment will help to see that they do."

There will be two polling places in College Station: Precinct 3 at the A. & M. Consolidated School Building, and Precinct 16 at Shiloh Hall.

Campus residents and all College Station residents west of Highway 6 will vote at Consolidated School. All others, including most of the residents of College Hills and those living east of Highway 6, will vote at Shiloh Hall.

H. E. Burgess will be presiding judge of election at Precinct 3, and V. J. Boriskie will be in charge of the Shiloh Hall poll. This will be the first time that a box has been placed at Shiloh Hall.

Nutrition Parley Slated Oct. 23-24

The Texas Nutrition Conference will hold its third meeting at A. & M. October 23-24, according to an announcement by the nutrition conference committee.

Some of the outstanding men in the nutrition field will speak during the meeting. They are: Dr. C. F. Huffman, research professor of dairying, Michigan State College; Dr. H. R. Guilbert, professor of animal husbandry, University of California; Dr. R. M. Bethke, in charge of nutritional investigations, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station; Dr. J. W. Hayward, director of nutritional research department of the Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Dr. T. H. Jukes, head of the department of nutrition and physiology, Lederly Laboratories, Pearl River, New York.

Poultryman to Go To Clemson Meet

F. Z. Beanblossom, extension poultry marketing specialist, will attend the annual meeting of the Poultry Science Association at Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina, August 23-31.

At this meeting he will present a paper on South and Southwest marketing problems and marketing trends in poultry and poultry products. In addition to that, Beanblossom will present an article on the marketing of turkeys through the making of turkey boneless steaks. A project which originated in Texas with this specialist as one of its leaders.

Members of the Poultry Science Association will meet to study latest information material from Experiment Stations and field studies.

Corky & Hurd, New Men's Store, Will Open Today

Corky and Hurd, College Station's newest men's store, will hold its formal opening today at 311 North Main Street. It will remain open until 9:30 tonight in order that all persons in this vicinity may have an opportunity to get acquainted with the management and the store's stock.

Specializing in tailor-made clothing, the store will feature such diverse materials as gabardine, sharkskin, and clear-cut worsted for fall wear. Men's furnishings and ready-to-wear are carried in addition to the tailoring service.

Corky Jackson, Aggie-ex, is store manager.

Texas Ag Writers Conference to Be Held Here Sept. 2

The twenty-second Texas Agricultural Writers Conference will be held at A. & M. September 2-3, according to an announcement by Tad Moses, chairman of the arrangements committee. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the Extension Service and Agricultural Experiment Station staffs annual meeting.

Those attending the two-day meeting will visit the A. & M. College Brazos River plantation to see demonstrations of latest farm equipment, including flame cultivator, mechanical cotton picker, mechanical corn harvester, Graham Home plow, one-man hay baler, hay dryer, and livestock fog machine. The meeting will enable agricultural writers to see first-hand application of new agricultural developments.

A business meeting and election of officers for the next year will take place at a luncheon to be held September 3, in Sbia Hall.

Agricultural writers planning to attend the conference are requested to contact Tad Moses, Agricultural Experiment Station, College Station for reservations.

August 15 Memorable Day For Four Aggies . . .

Indians Celebrate Independence

By Louis Morgan

Four Indian students on the A. & M. Campus celebrated the independence of their nation from Great Britain on August 15. Three are attending on government scholarships granted for outstanding services. All four are studying American agricultural methods, some of which they hope to apply to their own country when they return to India.

E. L. Gurnani of Sukkur, Sind, Pakistan is majoring in agronomy and making a special study of the extension service. Formerly employed by the Sind agricultural department, he is married and has four children. Gurnani received a degree in agriculture from Bombay University and did further

VFW Chief and Tech Exes Fight Building Amendment

Honduran Makes Insect, Livestock Study on Campus

Pomplilo Ortega, director general of agriculture of Honduras, visited recently on the A&M College campus. He is studying new developments in research and other activities concerning insects and diseases affecting livestock, other phases of insect control, and cotton production. While in Texas he will also visit the citrus research center of the College at Weslaco.

Ortega arrived on the campus last Wednesday. His schedule calls for conferences with officials of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and visits to educational centers and agricultural institutions throughout the country.

For a number of years Ortega owned and directed a small agricultural school for boys, the Escuela Agrícola de Coyocutena, La Libertad, Comayagua. He is the author of several books and pamphlets on agricultural topics and Honduran folklore. This is his first visit to the U. S. since he studied at Notre Dame some 25 years ago.

Student Ordained Baptist Minister

Newton V. Cole, senior student from Corpus Christi, was ordained into the Ministry last Wednesday night at the First Baptist Church of College Station by Reverend R. L. Brown, chairman of the ordaining council.

Cole's father, Reverend B. L. Cole, preached the ordination ceremony. After receiving his B.S. in Agriculture in September, Cole plans to enter the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth for additional study. While a student at A. & M. Cole was a Major in the cadet corps, President of the Y.M.C.A. Cabinet, and President of the Baptist Student Union Council.

Jester, Shivers, and Daniel Will Speak for \$60 Million Program

Two opponents of the \$60 million college building amendment have struck at Dudley K. Woodward, chairman of the University of Texas Board of Regents. Woodward, writing in a pamphlet entitled "The Best Schools For the Best State", urged adoption of the amendment.

Disabled Veterans To Receive Higher Substance Pay

Automatic increases will be paid effective Sept. 1 in the minimum allowances received by the more seriously disabled veterans enrolled in educational and training courses under Government sponsorship, Veterans Administration announced today.

The increased rates, which will be reflected in September checks received on or after Oct. 1, were voted by the last session of Congress and signed into law by the President.

VA said the law requires no action by disabled trainees entitled to the higher rates because of the automatic nature of the increases. The new law provides that a veteran enrolled in a course under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act (Public Law 16), whose disability is rated at 30 percent or higher, will receive \$115 a month if he has no dependents, and \$125 if he has one dependent.

The old law allowed \$105 and \$115 for the same two categories; but, while these rates are superseded by the new schedules for the more seriously disabled, they will continue to apply to veterans with disabilities rated at less than 30 percent.

The new law also raises the amounts authorized for additional dependents of veterans with disabilities of 30 percent or more. The additional allowance for one child is increased from \$10 a month to \$20, and the previous allowance of \$7 a month for each additional child is raised to \$15. No change is made in the \$14 monthly allowance for a dependent parent.

Roger Q. Evans of Denison, state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, declared that Woodward had not explained "that, under the amendment, the University of Texas and A. & M. College will get their money now, while the other 14 schools will not get theirs for 30 years."

In comparing funds to be allocated NTSC and A. & M., Evans pointed out that Woodward has not shown in his pamphlet that, although NTSC will receive over \$600 thousand more than A. & M., North Texas will have its funds spread out over 30 years, while A. & M. will get the \$6 million now.

In Dallas Woodward replied that "I am not interested in receiving any communication from a man who is trying so hard to deprive thousands of Texas veterans of the immediate educational benefits to be derived from the adoption of the college building constitutional amendment."

Evans' statements have been criticized by other members of the VFW, who as a whole appear to be in favor of the amendment.

In Fort Worth, the executive committee of the Texas Tech Ex-Students Association of that city adopted a resolution opposing the amendment. The basis for the action was that the proposed measure would not provide equitably or adequately for the future of 14 state institutions of higher learning.

W. A. Bratton, vice-president of the Fort Worth organization, declared Saturday that "proponents of the plan claim that Texas Tech, third largest state school, will get approximately \$7.5 million from the fund in these 30 years. Actually Tech will get only about 60% of \$4.5 million for actual construction—the balance having to go for interest."

Bratton further claimed that within the next 30 years, if the amendment is passed, the University of Texas and A. & M. will receive approximately \$75 million, while the remaining 14 state colleges will realize only \$45 million.

The latter statement did not mention the fact that only the university and A. & M. have access to the income from the university permanent fund, thus inflating the \$15 million to be given to those two schools under the proposed amendment.

Although Texas Tech ex-students attacked the program, officials of that school have previously urged adoption of the measure.

Attorney General Price Daniel and State Senator Keith Kelly spoke last night over a state network in behalf of the amendment. Kelly was co-author of the measure which has already been passed by both House and Senate.

Acting Governor Allan Shivers will speak Wednesday night for the building program, while Governor Beauford Jester, who is vacationing in Guatemala, provided a transcript speech to be used for broadcast in the event that he was not home by Friday night.

ASCE Barbecue Will Be Friday

The American Society of Civil Engineers will hold a barbecue Friday night, August 22, beginning at 6 o'clock, at the Bryan City Park. The charge will be \$1.75 per person, but all children accompanying their parents will be admitted free.

Dr. S. R. Wright, secretary of the ASCE, urges all persons planning to attend the barbecue to make reservations early, since Thursday noon is the deadline.

Dallas Firm Gets '48 Engraving Bid

The engraving contract for graduation invitations, dance programs, and dance favors for the 1947-48 school year has been awarded to The Southwestern Engraving Company of Dallas, Joe Skiles, director of Student Activities, announced Tuesday.

The decision was reached by the Student Life Committee this week. Mardis Hamilton, of College Station, is local representative of the company.

Dr. Milliff to Meet With Vet Anatomists

Dr. John H. Milliff, head of the Department of Veterinary Anatomy, will attend a meeting of teachers of veterinary anatomy at Cincinnati, Ohio, August 18-22.



PLAYING AUGUST 23 — At the Grove Saturday evening from 8 till midnight will be JOHNNY SULLIVAN and his Houston Plantation Orchestra. The All-College Dance, under the sponsorship of the Veteran Students Association, will

cost \$1 for holders of Social Assessment Cards, and \$1.50 for non-paid members, stag or drag.

Above is the BRASS SECTION of the Sullivan orchestra, as they played at the Senior Elg Dance in May of this year.