

# Meet The Men Who Run A & M College



**F. B. PEARSON**  
Dean of the Graduate School

**GIBB GILCHRIST**  
President of A. & M. Gibb Gilchrist was born in Wills Point, Texas on December 23, 1887. Upon graduation from Wills Point High School in 1905, he entered Southwestern University, later enrolling in the University of Texas. In 1909 he received his degree in Civil Engineering from the University.

From 1910 to 1917 President Gilchrist was employed in the Engineering Division of the Santa Fe Railroad, with principal activities in location and construction. During the last three years of this service, he was special assistant to the president of the railroad.

Commissioned a first lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers in October, 1917, Gilchrist was called to active duty on January 1, 1918. In October of that year he was commissioned a captain, serving overseas until June, 1919.

Soon after discharge, Gilchrist accepted a position with the Texas Highway Department, serving as State Highway Engineer of Texas in 1924-25. He resigned from the Highway Department in 1925 and became a member of the consulting firm of Nagle, Witt, Rollins, and Gilchrist. In 1928 he resumed his duties as State Highway Engineer.

In 1937 President Gilchrist relinquished his position with the Highway Department to become Dean of the School of Engineering at A. & M. Upon the dismissal of T. O. Walton in 1944, Gilchrist was named president of A. & M.

President Gilchrist has been awarded the honorary degrees of D.Sc. by Austin College; L.L.D. by Baylor University; and L.L.D. by Southwestern University. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Texas Society of Professional Engineers, Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, American Society for Engineering Education, Philosophical Society of Texas, the Kiwanis, and the Knight of Templar.

**F. C. BOLTON**

Dr. Frank C. Bolton, Executive Vice-President and Dean of the College, was born at Pontotoc, Mississippi on March 24, 1883. He was graduated from Mississippi State College in 1905, and had further college training at Cornell University, University of Chicago, University of Wisconsin, and Ohio State University. He was awarded the degree of Master of Science by the latter institution in 1928. Austin College awarded Dean Bolton the honorary degree of L.L.D. in 1932.

He was a member of the electrical engineering teaching staff of Mississippi State College from 1905-09, during which time he was promoted to associate professor. In 1909, he headed the A. & M. Department of Electrical Engineering, and during World War I he was Director of Military Education Activities of the college.

In 1923 Dr. Bolton became Dean of the School of Engineering, and in 1932, the duties of Dean of the College were added. At that time he resigned as head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, but continued teaching in the department. In 1937, Bolton gave up the position of Engineering Dean to become Executive Vice-President of the College.

Dr. Bolton has been active in the American Society of Electrical Engineers for many years, and for two years he served as vice-president of that society.



**H. W. BARLOW**  
Dean of Engineering

In addition to his regular duties, he has frequently served as a consulting engineer. In the summer of 1936, he prepared a report on the cost of electrical power in certain sections of Texas. Since 1927 he has been a member of the Texas Farm Electrification Committee, and since 1935, has been chairman of that organization.

In 1936-37, he was chairman of the engineering section of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities.

**C. N. SHEPARDSON**

Charles N. Shepardson, Dean of the School of Agriculture, was born on a farm near Littleton, Colorado in 1895. He received his B. S. degree in Animal Husbandry from Colorado A. & M. in 1917, where he earned two letters as center on the varsity football team. He was captain of the squad one year and All-Conference center two years.

In 1917 Shepardson was commissioned captain in the Infantry. He spent two years in the service, eighteen months of which was spent at Bordeaux, France as transportation officer, and during the last nine months he was base transportation officer in Epinal, France, a little city nestled in the Vosges Mountains.

After his discharge, Shepardson spent six months on the Colorado State Dairy Commission. In 1920 he returned to Colorado A. & M. as associate professor in charge of dairy production. In addition he was line coach of the Colorado Argies varsity squad, and freshman coach for two years.

In 1923-24, Dean Shepardson was assistant freshman coach at Iowa State College. He received his M.S. degree in Dairy Manufacturing from Iowa State in 1924.

It was in the fall of 1928 that Dean Shepardson first came to Texas A. & M. as head of the Dairy Husbandry Department. In the fall of 1944 Shepardson succeeded E. J. Kyle as Dean of the School of Agriculture.

For the past five years he has been a member of the Athletic Council at A. & M.

Dean Shepardson has served as president of the Southern Section of the American Dairy Association, and is now a director of the American Dairy Association. For three years he was a director of the Texas Jersey Cattle Club, a director of the American Jersey Cattle Club, and president of the American Dairy Managers' Association.

In 1937 Dean Shepardson was a U. S. delegate to the World Dairy Conference in Berlin, and in 1940 he represented the United States Dairies at the Inter-American conference at Mexico City.

The Alumni Association of Colorado A. & M. presented him, in 1939, the Alumni Trophy, awarded annually to a graduate who excelled in athletics during his undergraduate days and who has shown great achievement in his chosen profession in later years.

**RALPH C. DUNN**

Dr. Ralph C. Dunn, Acting Dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, was born on an Ohio farm in June, 1887. He received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Ohio State University in 1911, and two years later he did graduate work in bacteriology and pathology at the University of Michigan. In 1922, Dr. Dunn did graduate work in poultry pathology at the University of California.

He came to A. & M. in 1911 as an instructor in veterinary science and to direct experiments in anti-



**C. N. SHEPARDSON**  
Dean of Agriculture

hog cholera serum being developed on the campus at that time. In 1915 he became an assistant professor of veterinary medicine, and in 1922 he was made an associate professor, which position he held until 1930, when he was promoted to full professorship.

In 1937 Dunn was appointed professor of veterinary pathology and bacteriology and head of the department. When Dr. R. P. Marteller, Dean of Veterinary Medicine, was placed on modified service in 1946, Dr. Dunn was appointed acting dean.

Much credit should go to Dr. Dunn for the eradication of bacillus among beef cattle in the Animal Husbandry Department. By testing and removing positive reactors from the herd, the Animal Husbandry Department in 1924 boasted the first herd of bacillus disease-free cattle in Texas. Dr. Dunn was also a pioneer in combating pullulosis disease and foul pox.

Dr. Dunn, who has played a prominent part in training Veterinary Medicine students at A. & M. since the establishment of the School in 1916, is a well-known figure in his field throughout the nation. He is a member of the Texas Veterinary Medicine Association, American Veterinary Association, U. S. Livestock Sanitary Association, and the Poultry Science Association.

**PAUL B. PEARSON**

Paul B. Pearson, Dean of the Graduate School, was born in Oakley, Utah on November 28, 1905. He entered the University of Utah in 1924 and received his Bachelor of Science degree from Brigham Young University in 1928. His first teaching position was in the Opeheim High School, Opeheim, Montana.

In 1930, Dean Pearson left high school teaching to become an instructor in the Animal Husbandry Department of Montana State College. The following year he entered the Graduate School of Iowa State College.

Upon leaving Iowa State, Dr. Pearson was employed by the University of California in animal husbandry research. Several years later he continued this work with the University of Wisconsin, receiving his Ph.D. in the spring of 1937. He joined the A. & M. Animal Husbandry staff in the fall of that year, and since that time has been the



**F. C. BOLTON**  
Dean of the College  
Executive Vice-President



**W. L. PENBERTHY**  
Dean of Men

Nutritional expert of the Agricultural Experiment Station. In July, 1947, Dr. Pearson was named Dean of the Graduate School, replacing Dr. T. D. Brooks.

**W. L. PENBERTHY**

"A jovial man with a tall tale for every occasion" is Dean of Men W. L. Penberthy, whose office is on the main floor of Goodwin Hall.

Born in Massillon, Ohio on September 16, 1901, "Penny," as he is known to many, graduated from Elyria, Ohio High School in June, 1920. During his high school career, he received letters in football, track, and basketball.

In June, 1926, he graduated from Ohio State University, where he was a member of the Freshman Track Team; working as student assistant in the Physical Education Department prevented his playing on the varsity football squad.

At OSU Penberthy was a classmate of C. E. Tishler, newly appointed head of the A. & M. Department of Physical Education, and Marty Karow, Aggie basketball and baseball coach. In fact, he graduated with Tishler and the year before Karow.

Through D. X. Bible, then head football coach at A. & M., Penberthy came here on September 1, 1926 as assistant professor in Physical Education and intramural director. In October, 1937, "Penny" was promoted to Head of the Department of Physical Education. At the August meeting of the



**E. L. ANGELL**  
Assistant to the President

Board of Directors in Lufkin, Penberthy was appointed Dean of Men, effective September 1. He replaced J. W. "Dough" Rollins, who resigned to accept a similar position with East Texas State Teachers College.

**E. L. ANGELL**

Assistant to the President is E. L. Angell of Denton, Tex. Having graduated with a B. A. degree in Government from North Texas State College, Angell attended Columbia University in New York.

He received his M. A. degree in Political Science from Columbia, and then joined the A. & M. staff as Manager of Student Publications in 1936.

From 1936 to 1941, he served with Student Publications, taking over duties as Assistant to the President in September, 1941.

In addition to his duties as the president's assistant, Angell is Secretary to the A. & M. Board of Directors.

**H. W. BARLOW**

One of A. & M.'s most outstanding staff members is Dean of Engineering Howard W. Barlow. Born on July 27, 1903 in Buffalo, New York, Dean Barlow has been associated with A. & M. since 1940.

In 1927, he was awarded his B. S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from Purdue University. In 1934, he received his M. S. degree in Aero from the University of Minnesota, and in 1941, he was awarded his Sc.D. degree from New York University.

Prior to coming to A. & M., Barlow taught six years at the University of Minnesota in the Aeronautical Engineering Department, and one year at New York University.

He is listed in America's Young Men, Who's Who in Engineering, Who's Who in American Education, Who's Who in American Aviation, Who's Who in Transportation and Communications, America's Men of Science, Who's Who in Texas, and Who's Important in Engineering.

In addition, he is a member of the following scientific and professional societies: Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences; Royal Aeronautical Society; Society of Automotive Engineers; Texas Society of Professional Engineers; Society of Aeronautical Weight Engineers; American Society for Engineering



**M. T. HARRINGTON**  
Dean of Arts and Sciences

Education; and the Texas State Teachers Association.

Dean Barlow first came to A. & M. in 1940, serving as professor and head of the Aeronautical Engineering Department until 1944. He was then promoted to his present position as Dean of Engineering and Director of the Engineering Experiment Station.

**M. T. HARRINGTON**

From Plano, Texas comes 46-year-old Dr. M. T. Harrington, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences. A graduate of Plano High School in 1918, Harrington entered A. & M. as a "fish" in the fall of that year.

In 1922, he received his B. S. degree in Chemical Engineering from A. & M., and immediately went to work as an analytical chemist with the Texas Company, Port Arthur. Between June and September, 1924, he worked as a chemist with the Texas Gas Company, then returning to A. & M. as an instructor in the Chemistry Department.

In 1927, he received his M. S. degree in Chemical Engineering from A. & M. After doing graduate work at MIT, the University of Michigan, and the University of Southern California, Dr. Harrington was awarded his Ph. D. degree in Chemistry from Iowa State College.

In the summer of 1946, Dr. Harrington was appointed Assistant to the Dean of the College at the A. & M. Annex, and this past



**R. C. DUNN**  
Dean of Veterinary Medicine

summer he was named Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences.

Dean Harrington is a member of the Sigma Xi, honorary research society, and Phi Lambda Epsilon, honor society for chemists and chemical engineers.

**Freshman Week**

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services will be conducted in the Annex Chapel.

**Monday Classes**

And when Monday rolls around, freshmen will be ready for class at 8 a. m.

**Members of the Freshman Week**

preparation committee were: Dr. Abbott, chairman; H. E. Hampton, representing the School of Agriculture; Charles LaMotte, representing the School of Arts and Sciences; S. H. Hopper, of the School of Engineering; H. L. Heaton, Registrar of the College; and Ray G. Perryman, Assistant Registrar.

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## Future Looks Bright in 72nd Year for First State School

By David M. Seligman

A. & M. has grown a thousand-fold since that significant day in October, 1876 when six Texas youths reported as "charter students" to the oldest state-supported school of higher education.

In seventy-one years, the college has expanded from six students to 8,500. During its history, A. & M. has awarded 15,000 degrees and has seen 14 presidents.

A. & M. had its beginning under the Morrill Act of 1862. Provisions of the act, as accepted by the state legislature of 1866, authorized land grants for the purpose of establishing a college. In 1871, the legislature passed an act setting up A. & M. as Texas' first state college.

Beginning with a shoe string of \$200,000, the first two buildings of the college have grown to 73 buildings and properties worth about \$15,000,000. The main campus spreads over 750 acres, but including adjacent lands, the college now occupies some 8,300 acres throughout Brazos County.

The most extensive expansion of facilities in the history of the college was made in 1934 when eight new buildings were erected and improvements made on many existing structures. Twelve new dormitories were completed in 1939, and four more were added in 1942 for a total of 1,800 additional rooms.

A military institution from the beginning, A. & M. has led the nation in senior ROTC for many years. See FUTURE, Page 8



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