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Fish Still Hot and Dazed After Hectic First Week

Life for so many people is just one long line after another. The 1100 new freshmen at the Annex had their first taste of lines during Freshman Week and are just now recovering.

A consensus of opinion is unprintable.

The most harrowing ordeal of the century, according to most, was the series of entrance tests conducted in the gymnasium. These tests ran for three or four afternoons, and the answers were sweated out of the victims. Admittedly, young ladies strolled up and down the aisles fanning the examinees with sheaves of paper, as can be seen in the picture below, but they only served to circulate the torrid air.



Getting a post office box took at least 2 hours.

The Postal Department fiasco ranked second in the highlights of the week. One man was on hand to handle box applications for all 1,100. The constant fear of those in line was that this oldest employee of the Post Office Service, with 83 years behind him, would collapse before their names could be entered on the books.

The Exchange Store had a line of which it could be proud. Consequently many

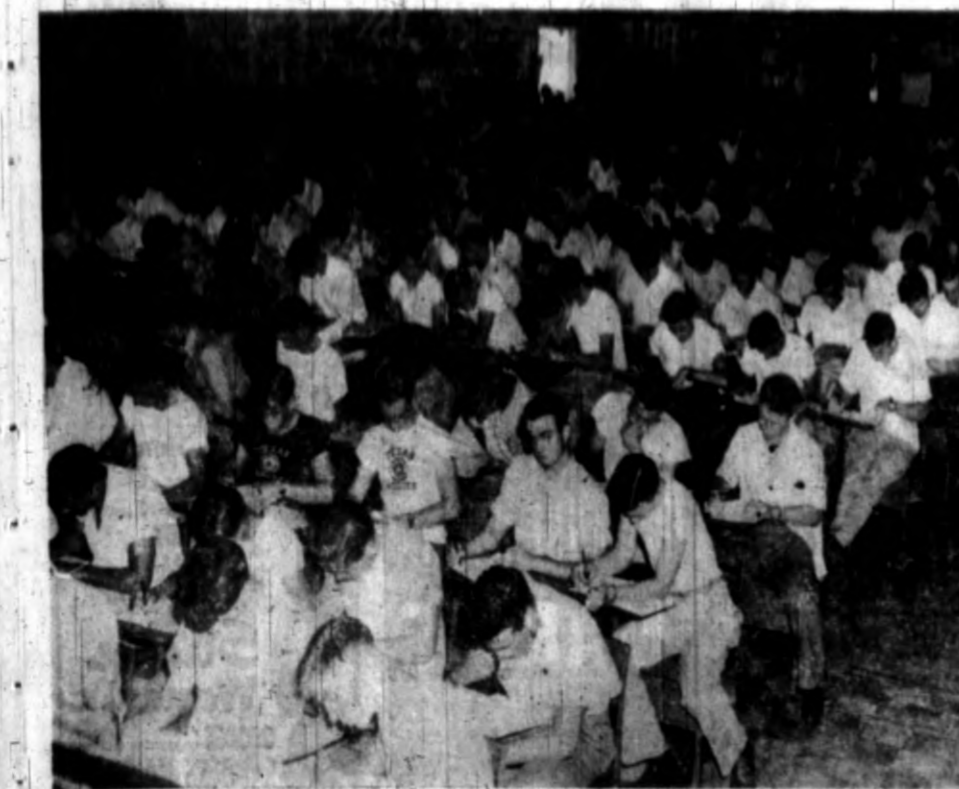
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The Exchange Store line was a good wait for everyone.



Even purchasing a waste basket meant a good hour's wait.



Walking girls fan freshmen taking placement and guidance tests.

Farm Laborers Permitted to Work Outside of State

MARSHALL, TEX., Sept. 16—(AP)—Rep. Leon P. Hydrick, Jr., of Marshall said State Labor Commissioner M. B. Morgan had lifted the blockade of migratory workers here.

Hydrick said Morgan had ordered his labor commission agents here to return keys to trucks belonging to migratory workers, and allow them to proceed on their way without further interference.

Hydrick said Morgan was withholding his rights under current laws to halt the flow of labor north, but that he, Hydrick, did not believe the law constitutional and had planned to challenge it in courts if Morgan had not acted today.

"I realize the farmers of Texas are in need of the services of these men, but this is still a free country and if we are to uphold the principle of freedom in our constitution, it is the duty of the sovereign state of Texas to see that no injury is perpetrated on any people, regardless of nationality," Hydrick said.

Hydrick said he had talked to Morgan by long distance from Austin, and that after he had talked, he handed the phone to a labor agent present, and Morgan had ordered the agent to lift the blockade.

Earlier in the day, the Marshall News Messenger said it had confirmed reports that at least two crews of migratory Latin American farm workers had crossed the Texas border into Arkansas after their leaders had been stopped at Marshall for violation of a state law.

8,029 Students In School This Fall

Enrollment Through Sept. 13 Falls 600 Below Last Year, All-Time High

With 8,029 students enrolled for the fall semester, A. & M. settled down to work this week. Although the number of students was about 600 less than enrolled at the same time a year ago, no one would ever guess it from the crowds on buses, in movie theatres, and on the narrow streets of the old area.

Official statistics indicate that there was a drop in the number entering directly from high school, approximately offset by an increase in transfer students and returnees, the figure being roughly 300 in each case.

A substantial drop in the number of veterans entering as freshmen appeared responsible for the decrease in enrollment, the figure being 600 in each case. The drop in freshmen entering directly from high school and the corresponding increase in transferes and returnees appears to be part of a long-time trend, as the direct-entering freshmen are now about half as many as in 1940, while transferes and returnees are almost twice as many as in 1940. The fact that many students are now coming to A&M for upperclass work after completing two years of junior college is believed to be responsible for this trend.

Veterans who never attended A&M before the war are apt to be skeptical about attending a military college, and for this reason veteran enrollment at A&M may be expected to drop off rapidly, as those who were pre-war students here are graduating in large numbers.

From Official Tabulations by The Battalion

TEN YEARS REGISTRATION

Term & Year	Total Enrollment	Classified Freshmen	Veterans
Sept. 1939	6,030	1,973	—
Sept. 1939	6,030	2,990* (approx)	—
Sept. 1940	6,057	Not available	—
Sept. 1941	6,205	2,308	—
Sept. 1942	7,000**	Not available	—
Sept. 1943	1,800***	600	—
Oct. 1944	2,073	779	—
Sept. 1945	2,572	1,131	300
Sept. 1946	8,632****	Not available	6,000
Sept. 1947	8,029	1,900	4,500

*approximate.

**approximate. This was old-all-time high mark.

***not juniors and seniors being in Enlisted Reserve Corps, had been called to duty.

****all-time high.

News in Brief

ARANHA HEADS UNO

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (AP)—Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, former foreign minister of Brazil, has been elected to preside over the critical 1947 session of the United Nations Assembly.

NIMITZ FOR SENATE?

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 16 (AP)—At least one Texan today is contemplating drafting Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz as a candidate for U. S. Senator, if military career men invade Texas politics.

In a telegram addressed to wire services here, S. B. Jones, Hearne insurance salesman, declared that "if we are going to elect military career men to public office, I am going to start a draft Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz for U. S. Senator movement."

WACO MAN KILLED

VINITA, Okla., Sept. 17 (AP)—U. C. Sterquell, 56, of Waco, Tex., was killed today in the collision of his automobile and a truck 12 miles south of Vinita. His son, U. C. Sterquell, Jr., Waco, was slightly injured.

HAZING AT ELECTRA

ELECTRA, Tex., Sept. 16 (AP)—Hazing of Electra high school freshmen, in which some boys were made to strip naked and run in front of cars, is being investigated here, Deput Sheriff, Harold Fraker said.

HART TO TAKE OATH

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 17 (AP)—James P. Hart, of Austin, successor to Judge C. S. Slatten as Associate Justice of the Texas Supreme Court, will take his oath of office Oct. 1, he said yesterday.

YMCA to Sponsor New Activities On Campus, at Annex

The YMCA is planning a number of new activities for the fall semester, according to M. L. Cashion, executive secretary. These will include films, a counseling committee and a sophomore discussion group.

The YMCA film library, containing all subjects from cooking to playing basketball, will be made available to all clubs on the campus. The committee on films will contact the different organizations and dates will be arranged for showings.

A counseling committee of professors will be organized to give advice to students in an unofficial capacity. A representative of each club will keep the council informed on matters pertaining to the general welfare of the student body as a whole.

Dr. Paul Weaver, head of the department of psychology at Stevens College, Columbia, Missouri, will conduct the services during Religious Emphasis Week to be held February 16-20. An attempt will be made to bring Dr. Alexander, who conducted the services last year, back to the campus at least twice during the fall semester.

Sophomore discussion groups will be set up through the company committees. These groups will take up problems of campus and personal interest with the counselors. A similar program will be set up for the freshmen at Little Aggieiland. These discussions are designed to supplement the regular academic courses of study.

The Y plans to contact, organize and cooperate with foreign students and introduce them into the homes of local residents.

Improvement of student-faculty relationship will be encouraged through meetings and discussions between representatives of the two groups. Contributions to the World Student Fund will be handled by the Y, and it is hoped that the \$1,000 contributed last year will be doubled.

Forums will be held on race relations, family life, courtship, and marriage. Local and outside experts will lead the discussions.

Meetings of a cultural nature will be conducted by the ladies on the campus, who will demonstrate the proper procedure to be followed at formal dinner parties.

HOSPITALS FOR TEXAS

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 16 (AP)—Texas has entered its formal application for \$24,000,000 in Federal aid to be used as one-third the cost of constructing \$72,000,000 worth of community and non-profit hospitals over the next five years.

'Rebellion-Incitors' May Be Punished'—Academic Council

Cheaters Will Get Second Chance, Depending on Offense Seriousness

A student may be dismissed or assessed a lesser punishment for participation in any rebellious protests against constituted authority, according to a new ruling of the Academic Council.

The council, which met Friday, passed the new rule which reads in full as follows:

'Best Law School In Texas', Says Sweatt in Ranger

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 16 (AP)—Herman Marion Sweatt, the Houston Negro mail carrier, told readers of the Texas Ranger today that he wants to attend the University law school because "it is the best law school in Texas."

Sweatt's article in the current issue of the University's student magazine gave many other reasons, but it emphasized his belief that the school is "the only one that can afford an equal training to that available for other students."

An editor's note accompanying the article explained: "The Ranger believes that the racial problem in education should be openly discussed by all intelligent people. This story, exactly as written by Herman Marion Sweatt, is published as information for Ranger readers, and opinions stated are those of the author."

Sweatt was refused admission to the University law school nearly two years ago. He brought suit to compel University officials to admit him, and the case is now before the Third Court of Civil Appeals here.

The 50th Legislature, following the filing of the Sweatt case, established the Texas State University for Negroes, including provision for legal education. The University recently opened at Houston, and Sweatt did not enroll.

"As a final important reason for speaking out anew," Sweatt said in the Ranger article, "I welcome the opportunity to confine the subject to its limited scope of educational segregation. And for what it might mean in this connection, I would want it frankly understood that as far as I am concerned, this problem can not be resolved by any answer given the scapegoat question, 'would you want your sister to marry a Negro?'"

I am already happily married—and there are laws against bigamy in this country. My personal concern with segregation does not exceed my immediate interest in a first class legal education. This directly and necessarily involves only those areas of society which will extend basic economic opportunities completely unimpaired by the characteristic and inherent discriminations of segregation."

Organization of the Graduate Faculty and Graduate Council was also approved by the Academic Council. Under the proposed setup, the Graduate Faculty will make recommendations to the Academic Council regarding policies of the Graduate School and requirements for advanced degrees.

The Graduate Council will be an advisory body to the Dean of the Graduate School and will represent the Graduate Faculty in appropriate matters. The Graduate Council will consist of the Dean of the Graduate School and twelve members of the Graduate Faculty.

Deans of the various schools will preside in rotation over the discipline panel. In the case of an engineering student called before the panel, for instance, the Dean of Engineering will not preside.

All-College Dance At Grove Saturday

Socially the 1947 football season will get off to a grand start with an all-college football dance on the Slab Saturday night. The dance is expected to attract many of the Exes who will be on the campus for the Saturday game. Also this will be the first college affair for many of the new students.

Playing for the dance will be the Aggieband Orchestra. Admission will be \$1.50 stag or drag. The dance begins at 9 o'clock until 12. In case of inclement weather, the dance will be held in Shosa Hall.

'Island' at North Gate Being Built

A thirty-foot wide paved street is being built to relieve the traffic congestion at North Gate. According to C. J. Loughton, construction engineer of the college, the new street will eliminate the present curve on Houston Street and will be used only by through traffic.

The street immediately in front of the Post Office will be blocked off. Parking space to accommodate twenty or thirty cars will be provided at the end of this street, and in special parking lots to be constructed in the island in front of the Post Office.

W. S. Connor of Austin is the contractor in charge of the \$11,000 project, which will be completed in about three weeks.

'Every student or group of students has the right to petition and the privilege of suggestion and objective criticism; however, this does not sanction rebellious protests against constituted authority compatible with good order.'

"A student may be dismissed or assessed a lesser punishment for participation in any such movement. The Executive Committee representing the Academic Council will exercise jurisdiction in such matters; may assess punishment for guilt in specific cases, or may at any time require the withdrawal of any student whenever, in its judgment, his general influence is harmful to the morale and successful functioning of the purpose and objectives of the College."

Any student caught cheating will be referred to the dean of his respective school; a second offense will lead to a discipline panel, it was decided.

"Each case of scholastic dishonesty shall be called by the instructor to the attention of the student involved, and shall be reported by the instructor of the dean of the student's respective school through the head of the department. This report shall be in writing, shall state the case completely and include the recommendation of the instructor.

"The dean concerned shall discuss the matter with the student and take such action as he deems proper. This may require the student to drop the course involved with a grade of 'F.' The dean shall confer with the Dean of Men and the Commandant and advise them of action taken.

"Students shall be referred to a discipline panel for the second offense. They will not be referred to a discipline panel for the first offense except where the case is a flagrant one or where the student's previous discipline record has been unsatisfactory.

"The student shall have the right of appeal to the discipline panel from any action by the dean of the school."

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College Night Set Tomorrow

College night for students on the main campus will be held tomorrow night at 7 on the front steps of Goodwin Hall, according to Asa Holleman, head yell leader.

In keeping with the custom of past years, college officials, athletic coaches, and members of the football team will be presented to the student body.

Holleman will conduct the program and will be assisted by "Duke" Hartman, Cecil Harrison, Jim Stevens and Tommy Spitzgarber, yell leaders.

As usual the Aggie band under the direction of Lt. Col. E. V. Adams will furnish the music.

Holleman announced that a separate college night had been planned for the Annex on Friday night. He pointed out that the programs for both nights would be the same.

He designated the south side of the chapel as the site for the Annex program.

BOMB vs IRON CURTAIN
AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 17 (AP)—Cong. Lyndon B. Johnson told Austin Rotarians yesterday the United States' only defense is to keep ahead in the race for atomic power.