

Caring for Athletic Grounds Is Endless Job for Superintendent

'Before the Game Is Always Easier'

By KENNETH BOND
"Cleaning up after a game takes far more time and effort than the game itself," states W. F. Fitts, Superintendent of Athletic Grounds and Buildings. "You have no idea how much trash and rubble a crowd leaves after a football game."

Fitts was born in Cass County, Texas, in 1892 and received his high school education there. He farmed until he was twenty-five years old, then he started to work for the State Highway Department and worked on Texas roads for eight years.

In 1925 he resigned from the Highway Department and came to Bryan to do contract and carpenter work.

For eight years Fitts has had the job of overseeing the athletic area with its four football fields, two baseball diamonds, four tennis courts, and the office and gymnasium. With the added work of caring for twenty acres of lawns, shrubs, and trees the job has not become any easier. "There just isn't any spare time," he says.

Fitts, who is the father of four children, is a firm believer in making friends. "There is seldom a game when I don't meet old friends or make new ones," he said. "To me a friend is much better than a dollar any time."

The northerly record of any bird is about 350 miles from the pole, where the Ivory Gull has been found.



W. F. FITTS

ENGINEER Seeks Representatives

Departmental representatives for the ENGINEER magazine are now being selected in each of the engineering departments on the campus.

Students who are interested in working on the ENGINEER are

urged to contact their student chapter president or department head at once. Two students from each department will be chosen to serve on the regular staff of the magazine.

The ENGINEER can also use a photographer. Contributions from anyone are welcomed and all will be carefully considered for publication.

'A Matter of Years . . .'

No Quick Solution to Price Control, Says A & M Economist

A return to nation-wide government price control is not the solution to the nation's current economic pains, in the opinion of Tyrus R. Timm, economist of the A. & M. Extension Service.

"There is no quick solution," says Timm; "that may be counted on in terms of days, weeks or months, but it may be a matter of years."

He believes that the country, as an alternative, can go through the current transitional period and secure a more sound economic footing only by shrewd and frugal family use of household and business resources, and the close cooperation of the public with the government on programs which present laws permit.

"You can't close down price control regulation as you would a theater and then re-open the same show," says Timm, explaining that price-cost relationships change swiftly and that the widely-talked price control return would call for long months of writing thousands of new regulations and making numerous new cost studies.

There is also the question of getting a new control law through the Congress, the economist continues. How long, he asks, would it take to push a generally fair and equitable law through both houses?

Timm says a lot of folks are in somewhat the same position as the average farmer from the depression right on up until the war broke out. They had to get along the best they could with what they

had. It was tough, but they got by and kept their farms going.

Timm sounds words of caution to American farmers. "Although there is no reason to expect abrupt farm price drop, it is probable that within the next few years prices of things purchased by farmers will rise, stay up longer, and likely not drop as far as prices on things that the farmer sells."

Timm, during a part of the war period, was on leave from the college to serve as agricultural relations advisor to Chester Bowles, who was then national administrator of the Office of Price Administration.

Kuers Picks Right Wins LSU Tickets

Out of exactly 101 entries, Marvin Kuers picked the closest scores in last week's Arm-Chair Quarterback Contest and will receive two tickets to the A. & M. - LSU game.

Although there were six men who picked all of the winners, no one figured the Rice-So. Calif. 7-7 tie. Kuers came the closest, picking Rice by 7-6. He was not so good on the others, picking Oklahoma by 12-7, T. U. by 13-6, Arkansas by 20-7, and SMU by 20-7. Running Kuers a close second was S. G. Dardaganian, but he erred badly by picking Arkansas 32-0 over TCU. R. A. Hooker was close too, but his Rice score was too high and he didn't give the 'signs enough credit.

In order to make sure that everyone has a chance to get an entry blank, it has been decided that only one entry per person will be allowed.

Considering his column as an entry blank, the sports editor read his crystal ball close except on our game, where he was a trifle over-optimistic.

Several people have sent in their entries by mail in the past few weeks. But for people with less confidence and more energy, there is a big glass jar in the Batt. Office, second floor, Goodwin Hall, where entries will be accepted each week.

Agricultural Group Meets Wednesday

The first meeting of the Student Agricultural Council will be held Wednesday night, at 7:30 in the Conference Room of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Building, announced LeRoy Hendrick, Acting Chairman.

An election of officers for the 1947-48 school year will be held and a program outlined for the fall semester.

Each student club or society in the School of Agriculture is represented on the Council by three representatives. These are the President and the Secretary of the club and one member selected by the President or elected by the club as desired.

Hendrick's request all club representatives be present at the meeting.

ASCE Meet

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers will hold a short meeting tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Mechanical Engineering lecture room.

The purpose of the meeting will be to suggest names of guest speakers for the coming semester. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

Noticed proposals, addressed to Ernest Langford, Mayor of the City of College Station, Texas, for the construction of a combined city office and warehouse for said City, will be received at the City Hall, College Station, Texas, until 1:00 o'clock, P. M., on the 22nd day of October, 1947, and then publicly opened and read. Bids must be plainly marked "Bids for Construction of Combined City Office and Warehouse for the City of College Station."

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A cashier's or certified check, issued by a Texas Bank, payable without recourse to the order of Ernest Langford, Mayor of the City of College Station, Texas, in an amount not less than five (5%) per cent of the largest possible total bid, including consideration of alternates, must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the bidder will promptly enter into contract and execute bonds, as outlined in the specifications and instructions to bidders.

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The contract price will be paid by the City in interest bearing time warrants, and the City Council will on or after the 22nd day of October, 1947, pass an ordinance authorizing the issuance of Warrants in the maximum amount of \$11,000.00, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed three (3%) per cent per annum, and maturing serially over a period not exceeding fifteen (15) years from their date.

Plans and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the City Manager of the City of College Station, Texas, upon deposit of \$5.00 as a guarantee of the safe return of same.

The City will make arrangements for the contractor to dispose of the warrants herein mentioned at not less than par, and the contractor must agree to deliver the warrants at such price to the party with whom the City has made such arrangements.

ERNEST LANGFORD
Mayor, City of College Station, Texas.

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FOR SALE: 1/4 Horse Power Briggs Stratton Gasoline Engine about new. \$25.00. See Roy Goode, A&M Press.

FOR SALE: Golf clubs, matched Sarason woods, Federal irons. Complete set. See Project House S-C between 1:30 and 7:30.

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