

Little to Head Aggie Players In Fall Term

Garvie W. Little, instructor of English, will direct the Aggie Players next year, Dr. T. F. Mayo, head of the department of English, announced today.

Little replaces George Dillavou, last year's director who will attend Columbia University this summer and fall.

A native of Texas, Little was graduated from the University of Texas in 1938 with a degree in English. After teaching at Texas Military Institute and several other schools, he joined the Army. Little served as a statistical control officer in the China-Burma-India theater, and was discharged in June, 1946, as a first lieutenant.

The Aggie Players will produce at least one play during the fall semester, and probably two, depending on the time available and the interest shown by their efforts," Little said yesterday.

He added that among the plays contemplated for early production is "Rain," a classic filmed several years ago. In the movie Joan Crawford starred as Sadie Thompson, heroine of the story.

As yet no assistants have been named to aid Little in his work with the Players.

Wildlife Prof To Study Birds And Mammals In Arctic

Dr. Leonard W. Wing, professor of wildlife management, left Thursday to study the relation of weather changes to bird and mammal populations in the long Arctic day.

His work will take him into the Yukon Territory near the Arctic Circle, 500 miles east of Fairbanks, Alaska. This area was probably the White Horse, Yukon Territory.

In announcing this expedition, Dr. W. B. Davis, head of the department of wildlife management, pointed out that this work was made possible by a grant of \$2,610 from the Arctic Institute of North America, Montreal, Canada, and will be for a three-month period of study.

Detailed observations of weather changes and conditions will be made by Dr. Wing in connection with these studies. All the weather instruments for this scientific expedition were furnished through the courtesy of Commander Francis Reichelderfer, Chief of the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.



OLDEST TEXAS AGGIE—Judge JOHN W. GOODWIN, Lubbock, one of three surviving members of first class in 1876, attended this year's commencement exercises with his wife, above, and two sons. To get to A&M in 1876, Goodwin rode horseback from Brownwood to Bryan, and sold his horse to pay college expenses.

Member of First Class at A&M Attends Graduation Exercises

Judge John W. Goodwin, one of three surviving members of the first class at A&M in 1876, was among the honor guests on the college campus during commencement festivities. A resident of Lubbock, Judge Goodwin has been staying in Marlin recently, and made the trip to College Station accompanied by his wife and two sons, George, a 1914 Texas Aggie, and Richard.

Goodwin rode horseback from his home in Brownwood to Bryan in 1876, the year the college opened. He sold his horse when he got to Bryan.

There were two permanent buildings at College Station in 1876, and Goodwin lived in both of them at one time or another. At first he was housed in Old Main, a four-story, twin-turreted building which housed most of the cadets and all of the class rooms. Then he was moved to old Gathright, the mess hall, where he served as captain of Co. B cadets.

Latin was among the subjects studied by Goodwin. Asked about farming and engineering subjects, Goodwin answered that they had in the way of agriculture was the grass on the campus, and the only things at all mechanical were the professors' woodpiles.

Real training in agricultural and mechanical subjects was not begun until 1879.

The two other survivors of the first A&M class are Louis A. Cerr, Sr., of Montclair, N. J., and William Malone of Houston. Both were invited to attend the commencement, but were unable to come.

However, Cerr wrote a letter to President Gibb Glichrist, requesting his inability to appear and recalling incidents of his cadet days. One of the reminiscences dealt with

Mother's Day Message Will Go to Parents

The message delivered to visiting parents on Mothers Day by Charles D. Kirkham Jr. will accompany the spring semester grade reports to the parents of A&M students this year.

The talk given at Guion Hall, Sunday, May 9, was printed on a folder entitled "A Message to the Parents of A and M Sons" and contains a preface by President Glichrist commenting, "His sincere, straight-forward statement impressed me so that I wanted the parents of every A&M boy to receive a copy."

Kirkham, an electrical engineering sophomore from Cleburne, paid tribute to the mothers and dads who answered the ungrateful actions of the growing boy with love and understanding.

Enumerating the typical stages of today's youth, he recalled, "Tall and gawky, we were, always scuffling in the house; lazy, loud, and mean to cats in particular. Then, women came into our lives. And there were long, important night-ly telephoning calls and you couldn't use the phone."

Describing the Aggie at school, Kirkham stated, "Now we come home once or twice a month or even just once a semester."

"Of the three great character building institutions—the home, the church, and the school," Glichrist concluded, "the home has done the most: There we feel loved, like we belong; we feel a contentment and peace of mind that exists nowhere else. That is because of your love and your presence, mom and dad. Remember always that we love you."

Army Commissions Available to GIs And Non-Veterans

Officer candidate schools are available for all ex-servicemen and to civilians without military experience, the Department of the Army announced today.

Civilians without prior military service will have to take a basic training course before attending the officer candidate school if they are selected to attend. Ex-servicemen and those who have completed basic training of a senior ROTC course need not take the basic training but can enter the officer candidate school direct.

Applicants, after having been selected to attend the course, must enlist in the Regular Army, but, if they fail to graduate or are appointed a commissioned officer, will be guaranteed immediate discharge from the service.

Those who are successful in obtaining a commission will be ordered to active duty for two years as a second lieutenant, and will then have an opportunity to enter a tour of duty with a view of gaining a Regular Army commission.

Applicants may obtain applications for this school at any Army post, camp, recruiting station, reserve instructor office, institutions having ROTC units, and at local National Guard installations. After being properly filled out, the applications should be mailed to the Commanding General, Fourth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Education Course Slated June 22-24

The 23rd Annual Conference of County Superintendents and Supervisors will be held on the campus from 9 a. m., June 22, to 12 noon, June 24, according to Lucian Morgan, assistant director of the placement office.

Registration will take place in the YMCA from 8 a. m. to 12 noon, June 22, and all meetings will be held in the "Y" Chapel.

An estimated 75 county superintendents and supervisors are expected to attend the convention under the sponsorship of W. L. Hughes of the education and psychology department.

A dinner will be given in Shiba Hall at 7:30 p. m., June 23. Tickets at \$2 each may be purchased at the registration desk.

R. E. Harris, county superintendent of Lockhart, Texas, is general chairman.

Potter's Zoology Text Ready Soon

The second edition of Dr. George E. Potter's book, "Essentials of Zoology," is now on the press and will be ready in a few weeks.

Dr. Potter, professor of zoology, is also the author of a larger more complete "Textbook of Zoology," which just came out in second edition a few months ago.

In addition to these books, Dr. Potter has published "Laboratory Outlines for General Zoology," "Laboratory Manual for Comparative Anatomy," and research papers in scientific journals.

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Ag Journalism Features Will Appear in Progressive Farmer

"Hybrid Chickens Come to Texas," by Jack Timmons, student in Agricultural Journalism 415, will be the subject of a feature article in the July issue of Progressive Farmer. Another article, "Charbra; Next American Registered Breed" by J. E. Sauls will appear in an early issue of the publication.

According to Otis Miller, instructor, students in agricultural journalism courses have recently sold several hundred dollars worth of articles to the following publications: Farm and Ranch, Sheep and Goat Raiser, Southwestern Baker, South Texas Citizen, Texas Farming and Citrus Culture, Dallas Times Herald, Fort Worth Star Telegram, Fort Worth Press, Wichita Falls Record, Southwestern Stock and Crop Reporter, Progressive Farmer, and The Cattleman.

C. G. Scroggs, a student in ag journalism last year, is now associate editor of Progressive Farmer. Roger Letz, another student and editor of the Agriculturist, has accepted a job as agricultural writer for the Fort Worth Star Telegram. Last year's editor of the Agriculturist, Charles Ball, is now associate editor of the Southern Agriculturist, Nashville, Tennessee.

Ag journalism students who have sold feature articles include J. M. Willoughby, Earl M. Rash, Jack Timmons, Henry R. Ground, L. D. Petty, Daniel E. Boone, Louis F. Fields, Ted Elders, George H. Crowner, Robert B. Ferguson, Otis A. Ponder, E. N. Malphurs, Jack H. Drivell, John L. Graham, James B. Jones, and L. L. Richardson.

Agricultural Journalism 415 and 416 are taught by Otis Miller, professor of the department of rural sociology. He taught formerly at Baylor University and at the University of Wisconsin. He is a graduate of Texas University with bachelor degrees in journalism and law.

Mayo to Serve On Special English Teachers' Council

Dr. T. F. Mayo, head of the English department, has been named to a special teachers' committee for this district which will hold a workshop session in October to co-ordinate high school and college teaching of English.

Also on the committee for this area are R. B. Daniels of the University of Houston and Janet Arcandale of Beaumont High School. Four other teachers will be named to each district committee before the workshops are held.

A joint group of high school and college English teachers met on the campus at the end of last semester to plan the district workshops, which are under the auspices of the Texas State Teachers Association and the Texas Conference of College Teachers of English.

Time and effort of pupils has sometimes been wasted in the past when high schools and colleges duplicated each other's work, so that some studies were taken twice and other courses never taken, Dr. Mayo said. It is for this reason, he pointed out, that high school and college English teachers will meet jointly in workshop sessions.

Mayo is chairman of the statewide committee working on the problem.



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