



Al Williams, Gulf Oil Corp. executive and pioneer military flier, is welcomed to the Airport Management Conference here by Dean of Engineering Howard W. Barlow, (left center). Extreme left: George Burgess, deputy administrator, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Washington, D. C. Extreme right: Col. Gay S. Mekey, Jr., commandant.

Famous Texas Trees to Be Film Subject

A 16 millimeter color sound movie featuring historical and unusual trees of Texas has been started by C. L. Rich, visual aids specialist for the Texas Forest Service.

Rich, who is working alone on the project, estimates that it will take more than a year to finish the work. He has completed 200 feet of film, and expects to travel to all parts of the state to check on trees reported to be unusual.

Rich has records of 83 unusual trees. Most of them he obtained from Texas Chambers of Commerce. He says about 50 trees will be included in the 12 to 15 minute film. The movie is planned for Texas school children. A booklet and slide sets will also be prepared on the same subject.

Two trees already photographed are a 60-foot mesquite near Gatesville, and a 64-foot hackberry in Nacogdoches. The hackberry is 6 inch greater in circumference than the largest now on record at Pemberville, Ohio.

Mrs. Billie Drake, Rich's secretary, says at least two Texans are planning books on Texas trees. They are Dr. Robert Vines, head of the Museum of Natural History in Houston, and Sybil-Glenn of Sealy.

Rich says he would like to hear from anyone who knows of an outstanding tree in the state. He can be contacted through the Forest Service at A&M. His office is on the third floor of the Administration Building.



JAMES R. MARSHALL, engineering major, has invented a scoop for attachment to a tractor, which, at the push of a button, picks up and deposits loose dirt. The device will replace the out-moded "slip" which has been used for this purpose. Marshall has recently completed transactions with a firm for the production of the implement.

Draft Bill Passed; President Allowed to Defer Students

WASHINGTON, June 11.—A peacetime draft of men aged 18 through 25 for the armed services was voted yesterday by the Senate. The action came after a week of heated debate and sends the measure on to the house.

GOP leaders have put the bill down as a "must" for house action before congress adjourns tentatively set for June 19. Some influential members of the house rules committee, however, are cool to the whole idea of a draft. Their opposition may delay house action.

The draft is part of the broad program President Truman handed to Congress as a plan for maintaining world peace.

The Senate bill would keep the draft for two years. Its major provisions include:

1. Registration of all men from 18 through 25 with a special registration of doctors, dentists, and medical experts through 44 years.
2. Induction of men from 19 through 25 years for two years service with the regular armed services. Married men, most veterans and certain others would be exempt or deferred.
3. Up to 161,000 18-year olds could volunteer for one year of training during the next year. They then must serve in the re-

serves—the same as draftees are required to do after completion of two years duty.

4. The wartime selective service or draft organization would be revived on a smaller scale with local boards and state directors under a national headquarters.
5. The entire court martial system of the army and air forces would be revised and a separate

In answer to a telegram sent to Representative Olin E. Teague by The Battalion requesting clarification of the draft bill now in Congress as it affects students at A&M, Representative Teague sent the following reply.

The Battalion A&M College of Texas Senate draft bill provides that third and fourth year advanced ROTC students will be exempt but liable for two years active duty as commissioned officers in such numbers as determined by the Secretary of Defense. Other ROTC students can be deferred if they sign to enter active duty upon completion of ROTC course. College students called by the draft may be deferred until end of academic year. This measure passed the senate today by 78 to 19 vote at 3 p. m. Similar house draft bill still in Rules Committee awaiting the signal from Republican leadership before House can vote on it. Republican leaders say it will be brought up before adjournment.

Olin E. Teague
Congressman
6th Texas District

Final Count On Summer Students

The summer enrollment for the first six weeks of the term at A&M totals 3,414, H. L. Heaton, registrar, has announced.

There are 49 women enrolled for the term. The first term ends July 19.

A graduation class of 400 is scheduled for the August graduation.

Rogers Named City Manager

Major Raymond L. Rogers has been named to succeed Francis A. Vaughn as city manager.

Vaughn, whose resignation becomes effective July 1, will leave about June 25 for San Benito where he has accepted a position as city manager.

Rogers graduated from A&M in 1936 with a B. S. degree in industrial education, and for several years he has been associated with the buildings and college utilities department here.

He is now in the army at Fort Knox, Kentucky, but immediately following his discharge on July 15, he will return to College Station to assume his new position.

Malcom Black, '79, Succumbs May 30

Rev. Malcom Black, 93, a member of A&M's first graduating class, died Sunday, May 30, in Sterling City, Texas.

A retired Presbyterian minister, Rev. Black was A&M's oldest living graduate.

He was the father of Z. E. Black, manager of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce convention department. A member of the graduating class of 1879, Rev. Black was the third native-born Texan to enter the Presbyterian ministry. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Sterling County School Board, a post he had held for many years.

Born in Shelby, Austin County, December 10, 1854, of Highland Scotch descent, Black was tutored at home until he was 11 years old. He was able to read Latin and Greek fluently before entering old Baylor University at Independence in 1870. His next college term was at Southwestern University, then located at Chapel Hill, Texas.

After five years in business, he entered A&M in 1877. Two years later he was one of four graduates as civil engineers, passing his final examinations with a grade of 90.

Two years later he entered Union Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, and then went to work at Columbia Seminary, South Carolina. He was ordained October 21, 1884, at Georgetown, Texas, and began his ministry at Marlin.

While filling his Marlin pastorate, he also organized a church at Marty, McLennan County. Later he held pastorates at Hamilton and Graham, then at Lynville, Tennessee, and at Sylvania and Des Arc, Arkansas.

Rev. Black founded the YMCA at College Station, which was the second "Y" in the state, the first having been established at Trinity College. "Y" activity was slow at first, and not until the 1900's did the group hit its full stride here.

Black wrote regularly for The Collegian, first student publication at A&M and direct ancestor of today's Battalion. The Collegian was published monthly by the Austin Literary Society, of which Black was a member.

No regular degrees were given by A&M in 1879. Instead, each department offered a certificate in its particular field, and the graduate gathered a sheaf of certificates.

Funeral services for Rev. Black were held June 1 in Sterling City.

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Hospital Changes Sick Call Hours

Sick call will be held from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Friday for the summer semesters. Mom Claghorn, of the hospital staff, has announced.

Saturday, sick call hours will be from 8 a.m. until noon, and on Sunday only emergency cases will be admitted.

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Correction

The summer hours for Cushing Memorial Library are 8 a. m. to 10 p. m. Monday through Friday; 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. Saturday and 6 p. m. to 10 p. m. Sunday.

Texas Engineers Library summer hours are 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. through Friday and 8 a. m. to 12 noon on Saturday. It will not open Sunday.

This correction replaces the schedule released by the Batt Wednesday.

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