

# Prof Titled Shakespeare Scholar by A&M Students

By EDDIE SMITH  
Dr. George Summey, Jr., professor of English at A&M, might be called author, scholar, or teacher, for he is presently pursuing all three occupations.

Coming to A&M in 1922 as head of the English Department, Dr. Summey has since earned the title among his students of Shakespearean scholar and teacher. The extemporaneous quotations and colorful background stories which highlight his courses in Shakespeare, have done much to make that famous English playwright a common topic of conversation on the campus.

As an author Dr. Summey is well known to all who have studied freshman English here. His "Manual of College English" which he wrote in collaboration with Dr. J. P. Abbott, provided a universal welcome to incoming students.

In addition to this he has written two other textbooks, one of which is now in the press, and is presently working on a grammar, "Hyphenated, Solid, and Open Compounds," which he expects to complete in November.

Dr. Summey was born in Covington, Kentucky, in 1888. He was brought up in South Carolina and Tennessee and received his A. B. Degree from the Southwestern Presbyterian University at Clarksville, Tennessee, in 1907.

It was there that he first became interested in the study of Shakespeare, now his favorite author, of whom he says, "He had the greatest poetical gift of any human being. His rhythm and choice of words are unequalled. Shakespeare's best play, says Dr. Summey, is 'Hamlet' because it is so rich with human nature and provides such an interesting problem of interpretation.

In 1900 he journeyed to Europe. The trip itinerary reads like a GI's tour of the continent—England and Scotland, France, Austria, and finally Germany where he studied for a semester at the University of Leipzig.

Upon his return to America, in 1903, Dr. Summey began his teaching career at North Carolina State College in Raleigh. While teaching there he also wrote for the local newspaper, The Raleigh News and Observer, not without some preliminary difficulties however.

Notified by the managing editor that a cub reporter's position was open for an aspiring young journalist who would cover an important story which was about to break, Dr. Summey reported to the news-

paper office for the assignment. But his journalistic career was nipped in the bud, for it developed that he was to witness an execution at the state prison and write a story of the event.

He did work for the News and Observer later however, when a more desirable opportunity presented itself. Beginning as a cub reporter, he advanced to the position of Managing Editor of the Literary Section, a job he held in addition to his teaching duties at the College.

Dr. Summey was married in 1911. Mrs. Summey is a graduate of Pratt Institute in New York and was a designer in that city at the time of their marriage.

In 1918, Dr. Summey received his Doctor of Philosophy Degree from Columbia University in New York City. He remained there several semesters as a member of the faculty.

He came to A&M in 1922 as head of the English Department, a position which he held until 1944 at which time he went on half-time service at the college. He plans to retire in 1950.

## Amarillo Club To See Game Picture

Plans have been made by the Amarillo A&M Club to hold a regular meeting Thursday night immediately after yell practice. Ted Lokoy, president, announces today.

This week's meeting place has been changed to Room 301, Goo-win Hall. Feature of the meeting will be the showing of movies of the 1948 Texas Aggie-Tech Re Raider football game.

## Vet. Subsistence Checks Due Nov. 1

Veterans who entered school in September will receive subsistence checks about November 1st, Taylor Wilkins, veterans advisor, said Monday.

Veteran students who attended the second summer session and did not receive subsistence checks for September should report to the advisor's office, Wilkins said.

## L. S. O'Bannon Joins Staff Of ME Department

L. S. O'Bannon has joined the mechanical engineering staff as a professor, according to C. W. Crawford, head of the department.

O'Bannon comes to A&M from the University of Michigan where he was research engineer and visiting professor of mechanical engineering. His research was in connection with special Army Ordnance Projects.

A graduate of the University of Kentucky, Professor O'Bannon has worked for the Illinois Steel Company, Chicago; the National Tub company at Lorain, Ohio, and has taught at the University of Kentucky.

The author of several bulletins and papers, O'Bannon holds membership in Tau Beta Pi and in Sigma Xi.

At A&M Professor O'Bannon will have charge of air conditioning and refrigeration work on both undergraduate and graduate levels.

## Elkins Addresses Reserve Officers

Seventy-five Army reserve officers heard Lieutenant Colonel R. Elkins, Assistant to the president, discuss the organization and functions of the general and special staff at a meeting of the 479th Composite Group on Thursday night. Karl E. Elmquist, Public Relations Officer of the Group, announced.

Captain Albert W. Stockell, local organized reserve instructor gave additional information concerning the new retirement and promotion regulations. He also explained the organization and credit value of Army extension courses, and present age-in-grade requirements, Elmquist said.

The next meeting of the 479th Composite Group will be held jointly with the local Reserve Officers' Association chapter and the local air composite group, at 7:30 p. m., Thursday October 14 in the Petroleum Lecture Room.



Between the Bookends . . .

## Non-Human Figures Presented In Warm 'Everyday Miracle'

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A cat illustrates a sense of time; a group of mice, hunger and thirst. A macaw shows us the real value of speech and ants tell us things about exercise. There is a setter which taught herself to stand erect, and a Mr. and Mrs. Pigeon who are as suburban as any seven o'clock commuters.

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## OKINAWA DIGS OUT FROM UNDER TYPHOON

TOKYO, Oct. 6.—(AP)—The vicious typhoon which Monday gave Okinawa a \$10,000,000 lashing began snapping at the southeast tip of Japan today.

## Extension Woman Leaves for Meeting

Lorene Stevens, state girls' 4-H club leader for the A&M Extension Service, has resigned to accept a similar position with the Florida Extension Service effective October 1, according to Maurice Hearn, vice-director for women and state home demonstration agent of the Texas Extension Service.

## Miss Stevens, a Graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College

Miss Stevens, a graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College, has been with the Extension Service since 1931, when she was appointed county home demonstration agent for Hopkins County. She transferred to Upshur County in 1935 and to Smith County in 1944, and was appointed specialist 4-H club work on the headquarters staff in 1945.

Her headquarters will be in Gainesville, Florida.

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**Television Camera Sees All That the Officials Can Not**

By T. G. SMITH  
Flash: a report on the latest in the field of television.  
In an effort to get first-hand information on this newest type of entertainment, The Battalion inadvertently sent a green man out on the assignment. Now as the only television sets in this section of the country are in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, the reporter journeyed northward to the thriving metropolis of Dallas.

Having read all the latest books and periodicals, the reporter shrewdly surmised that the bar—er, restaurants were his best bet. He traveled from spot to spot on his quest. It was this burning thirst for information that was responsible for the aforementioned green color. Barring all the details, it will suffice to say that our hero finally came to rest at LouAnn's on the Northern outskirt of Dallas.

It was there that he found a most satisfactory piece of equipment. The screen was approximately 1½' x 2' and the noise and static in proportion. At this time the TCU-Arkansas game was being televised for all the world to see.

The technical set-up was somewhat as follows: Three cameras were in operation; one covered the entire field of play while the other two, equipped with telephoto lens brought close-up play to the observer. Through the proper monitoring of the three cameras, the audience was able to see the action of the ball carrier at all times.

The position of the camera coupled with the use of the telephoto lens gave the viewer the impression of hovering about 10 feet off the field of play just a little to one side of the ball carrier. It was quite effective; the observer actually had the feeling of being on the field with the players.

In fact, the Battalion observer came out with clear marks on his left calf.

But on with the game.  
The television camera also brought out other things—the mis-rulings of the referee. The referee is not so deliberate; work of the part of the officials, but things which they did not see and the television camera did.

Two specific cases are worth mention.  
Clyde Scott carrying for Arkansas (naturally) was tackled and downed. This in itself was legal, but after the play was complete for all practical purposes, a TCU tackler, coming in a trifle late, was seen to grab the ball out of Scott's hands and fall on it. This was AFTER the tackle. The ref ruled that it was a fumble with TCU's recovery. Scott jumped up and rightfully had words with the official, but to no avail.

The other item concerning mis-ruling was responsible for seven points. A ball-carrier, making an end sweep, sped through a field of tacklers for a touchdown. Rah Rah, yea team, etc. The only thing wrong with this was that the runner stepped out of bounds just over the line of scrimmage. The team got the touchdown. This incident was also seen by all present at the receiving end of the broadcast.

Also, there were flagrant personal fouls that received no penalty from the ref.

Of course, there is the hope that the advent of television will clean up such unsportsmanlike conduct, but at the present, it is all conjecture.

The Batt reporter, Sunday morning, said that in order to keep the tickets informed of this vital subject, he was willing to subject himself to more wild dissipation on Saturday nights, even if it killed him.

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