

# Bids on NTAC Dorm, Investing Bonds Discussed by Directors

Bids on a 77-room dormitory for boys at North Texas Agricultural College were called for December by the A&M Board of Directors in their meeting last week. Contract on the estimated \$300,000 dormitory will be let January 8.

The Board of Directors meeting in Austin transacted the following business other than the dormitory bid:

Authorized investment of \$14,800 of A&M Student Publications' (The Battalion, four magazines, and Longhorn) reserve funds in government bonds.

Authorized purchase in open market of \$100,000 worth of refunding bonds maturing in 1956, 1959, and 1960.

Authorized the remodeling of veterinary anatomy laboratory, improving facilities and making more space available, cost \$15,000; remodeling three rooms of Stock Judging Pavilion to provide space for increased work in poultry husbandry, cost \$4,000.

Remodeling two petroleum engineering laboratories to make space for increased research under joint project with University of Texas and Texas Railroad Commission, cost \$8,500; new parking area to relieve congestion on campus, cost \$66,000, all of which were authorized.

Authorized \$2,781 from Exchange Store profits to build chain link fence around track and football field; \$1,500 for an hour striking mechanism, amplified to sound hours for meals, and class periods, from unappropriated income; \$8,000 for construction of a 220 yard cinder track, needed for state interscholastic league meets from picture show profits; \$8,100 for renovating the Student Exchange Store on campus, from store's profits, all at Prairie View A&M.

Authorized the appointment of Dr. J. M. Drew as dean of the college at Prairie View. Dr. Drew has a doctor of education from Harvard, masters from Lincoln University, bachelor's from Lincoln University. He was nominated by President E. B. Evans of Prairie View with the approval of Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist of the A&M System.

A five-acre plot of ground in Nacogdoches County will be used as headquarters for an area program of agricultural research to be conducted on farms throughout the area. Plans call for establishing headquarters for extension district agents of District 9 on the tract, creating a research demonstration and extension center. The center is expected to establish a pattern to be used in other areas.

Funds for the center will be derived from the sale of the 75 acres remaining of the original 80-acre tract on the edge of Nacogdoches.

**Loco Weeds Kill West Texas Cattle**

Heavy cattle losses from poisonous plants have been reported in West Texas. Dr. O. E. Sperry of the Range and Forestry Department announced recently.

One rancher reported a 20 percent loss of his herd due to loco weed and groundsel, Sperry said.

Sperry spent last week surveying poisonous plant problems in Glasscock, Crane, Presidio, Pecos and Brewster counties. Heavy losses are anticipated in drought areas since animals eat more poisonous plants after the better species have been depleted, Sperry added.

A number of cooperative experiments have been set up in which ranchers will spray loco and rayless golden-rod with 2,4-D, Sperry said.

which had been used as an experimental station.

Two thousand feet of two-inch pipe will be sold to the West Texas Gas company, and authority was also issued to permit furnishing natural gas to Lubbock Substation No. 8. The station originally had to pay for the pipe in order to get service.

The board authorized the building of a greenhouse for Beaumont to cost, \$8,000 and \$4,000 for a residence for the foreman. The funds are available through the reshuffling of the \$12,000 appropriation for two greenhouses at Beaumont.

An apiculture research laboratory on a tract in Bexar county to furnish pasture for honey bees to make winter feeding them over the winter months" was approved by the board. The plot will be leased for \$12 a year.

Two army surplus buildings used as boys' dormitories at John Tarleton Agricultural College will be named in honor of graduates who joined the faculty of the college and then entered the armed services. They will be named in honor of Lt. Henry Frey, Jr., a graduate in 1934, who lost his life while in the navy and Lt. A. B. Yearwood, Jr., a 1938 graduate and 1940 graduate of A&M, who lost his life in a plane crash at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, while in the air force.

A good neighbor scholarship was authorized. Miguel Angel Cavallo of Escudor is the recipient. The scholarship amounts to a remission of fees of \$300 per school year; which is charged out-of-state students. It is granted for one year with a possible renewal from year to year.

**Full Schedule Is Planned for Fall 'College Speaks'**

A full schedule has been prepared for "The College Speaks" series, a program designed to give listeners information on current, social, economic and scientific problems. Professor C. O. Spriggs, of the English Department, said yesterday.

A wide variety of speeches have been prepared by men who are educated in their subjects, Spriggs said.

The December schedule is as follows:

- Dec. 1—Problem Solving, III
- Dec. 2—Inflation and Business Cycle
- Dec. 3—The Editor Speaks
- Dec. 4—Wisdom Literature in Bible
- Dec. 7—Stein Song: Word Caricature Gertrude Stein
- Dec. 8—Problem Solving, IV
- Dec. 9—Proposed Change in Method of electing President, Vice president
- Dec. 10—The Editor Speaks
- Dec. 11—Pitfalls in Reasoning
- Dec. 14—Union Management Cooperation
- Dec. 15—Problem Solving, V
- Dec. 16—Taft-Hartley Act
- Dec. 17—The Editor Speaks

**Bearden Attends West Texas Meet**

H. D. Bearden, assistant director, Industrial Extension Service, attended a conference for Vocational Industrial Teachers at West Texas State College, Canyon, last week.

Preparations necessary for teaching industrial subjects were discussed.

Gifts and grants \$14,570 were accepted.

An exception to the regulation which prevents both man and wife working for the college was made in the case of an honorably discharged veteran. The expansion of the regulation also allows part-time employment of a non-veteran student whose wife is employed by the college.

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All that need be done is to cut off the outer portion of the right wing at the sharp bend of the wing. Only the right wing from each bird is wanted. Otherwise, both wings of one bird might be sent in and counted, in error, as two birds.

Just fold the wing and place it in an envelope, addressed to: Department of Wildlife Management, Texas A&M College, College Station, Texas.

Enclose the name and address of the hunter or club and the county in which the bird was killed. The department earnestly seeks the cooperation of all sportsmen. Results of the study will be released upon compilation of the data.

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EMMETT INGRAM of Fort Worth is seen receiving a Bronze Star medal from COL. H. L. BOATNER at the recent Corps Parade.

## Football Contests Offer Plenty Of Exciting Action

Exciting Flag Football action closed out intramural action for November, Tuesday afternoon.

A smooth running Mitchell nine overpowered Walton in football, 28 to 7. Intramural official Bob Painter said that the single wing and T of the Mitchell team was the best running he's seen this year.

A. P. Wiley and Bill Galbrath alternately passed and ran for the winners. However the game's highlight was awarded Walton when Fred Wilson ran a kickoff the length of the field, from behind his own goal, to score Walton's only TD.

Ed Hinkle and Wayne Wade were responsible for Milner's winning their closest game of the year, on penetrations from Trailer Camp. The Milner nine pushed through to the TCVV 20 yard line only once but it was enough for a slim margin of victory.

Frank West and Bud Denton kept the Trailer Camp team in a threatening mood throughout the game.

The Rio Grande Club romped over a normally tough Intramural Managers team, 32 to 13. Dorm 14 squeezed by a rugged Leggett team by a conversion point. Final score was Dorm 14 seven, Leggett six.

In Volleyball, the only other sport of the afternoon, Montgomery County Club set down the El Campo Club, two games to one. ASCE swept its match with Range and Forestry Club. Vet Medicine Club forfeited to Agronomy Society. Dorm 17 failed to show for their game with Law. Galveston A&M Club and Waco-McLennon Club were in a double forfeit.

## 2 New Compounds To Aid Raisers Of Farm Animals

Definite and conclusive results of the experiments ran out the usefulness of thioracil and thioprotein to speed up or retard the growth of feeder animals, will be released in about two months, according to Dr. J. C. Miller, head of the Animal Husbandry Department.

The above information was all Miller would release on the recent experiments which have just been concluded. He stated that at the present the final tabulations on the experiments are being completed and results are being written up for publication.

From all indications, the results of these experiments may be of primary importance to the livestock producer as an efficient means by which he can increase the efficiency of his animals to produce gains on less feed, Miller said.

The two compounds used for the experiment could be termed magic compounds. As nutritionists classify them, thioracil, when fed to an animal, causes the animal's metabolic rate to speed up, thus causing the beast to grow in overall size. Whereas, thioracil acts in the opposite manner. It slows down the growth rate and tends to cause the animal to put his extra surplus nutrients on in the form of fat, he added.

The two working in conjunction may well be a profitable enterprise for the farmer in the future. The results of these recent experiments should give conclusive proof of their value, Miller concluded.

## Technical Apology Offered For Ellis' Actions

A telegram was received by The Battalion editors on Wednesday, November 24, from Earl Ellis, Texas Tech student who authored a sarcastic letter appearing in the November 17 Battalion.

Complete text of his telegram follows:

"IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THE THOUGHT OF MY LETTER HAVING GONE TOO FAR TO WAS ONLY A JEST DIRECTED TO FORMER FRIENDS. PLEASE ACCEPT MY UTMOST APOLOGY. I WISH YOU LUCK ON YOUR GAME THURSDAY."

EARL ELLIS

The letter which Ellis had previously written said:

"Why doesn't A&M leave the Southwest Conference or either start scheduling such schools as Hardin College or Trinity University?"

"Maybe they could win 6 of 12 instead of all being lost. Consider this seriously."

Also received on November 24 was a letter from a Tech student apologizing for Ellis' actions. Both the letter and the telegram appear in the Letters to the Editor column of today's Batt.

## Slide Rule Contest Open to Students Taking ME 101

The annual slide rule contest sponsored by the Mechanical Engineering Department is to be held December 2 at 1 p. m. The contest on the campus will be held in room 303, M. E. Building and in Building T-180 at the Annex.

The principal contest will be among students in ME 101 who have had no prior college work transferable to A&M for credit.

Veterans who have had their education interrupted by the war and who have completed some college work prior to this semester will receive special consideration for separate awards.

The contest will be a 50-minute competitive examination on slide rule problems, similar in type to the ME Quiz A.

Each instructor of ME 101 sections will select contestants from sections of the course that he teaches. Selections will be made without regard to courses taken by the student.

There are no losers in the slide rule contest. Each contestant will be awarded a small plaque.

## Chinese People Want Nothing From Government - Dr. Potter

By R. F. BISHOP

"The plain people of China want nothing from their government," Dr. Ide P. Trotter, director of the Extension Service, told the Kiwanis Club at a recent luncheon meeting. "They want their government to let them alone," he said.

The speaker, who spent five weeks in the Orient last summer representing the USDA, pointed out that "when a people act thus, they are in first stages of bringing about a democratic government. In China as elsewhere in the Orient, the ruling class today, as it has always been, rules at the expense of the common people. They have no voice in their government or how it is run. The governors, mayors, and other officials are appointed by the president."

"However," Dr. Trotter said, "in the agricultural and educational setup of China I did not find a political hack running the business. They were well educated and well qualified for the particular job."

Dr. Trotter said of Japan, where he also spent some time, that "for the first time in the history of the world, has the conquering come with the avowed purpose of treating the conquered fairly and decently. That's what we did and are doing in Japan," he said.

"I talked with several Japanese, not of the ruling class but of the business class, who see in the future a democratic Japan. The process is slow, but it is coming."

When MacArthur and his troops entered Japan, this mar told me that they sent their womenfolk to the mountains; the whole of the coastal areas were cleared. But in two weeks time the womenfolk were brought back to their homes.

"The school books are being rewritten. From the beginning of time their books were books of indoctrination. Today they are being written along the lines of the books of the United States," Trotter said. The speaker said the Orient had goods to sell and that it needed to import goods. He foresaw in the future a trade business that will make possible these things:

"The people held an election in China while I was there, Chiang Kai-Shek was the only candidate for president. The people had no other choice. But they did have."

## Extension Service Uses 22 Students In Part-Time Jobs

Twenty-two students are doing part-time work for the Extension Service, according to C. H. Doerge, chief clerk for the Extension Service.

At present the Extension Service payroll for student labor is approximately \$750 per month. This varies, more or less, according to student availability, Doerge said.

Doerge explained that the Extension Service makes available as many part-time jobs as possible to students who need money to stay in school or to veteran students who want to supplement their GI salaries.

Many of the men who paid their school expenses by working part-time for the Extension Service are now employed full-time by them, according to Doerge.

Some of the jobs made available to students for part-time work are assistant clerks, bulletin clerks, and student janitors. All the janitor work is done by student labor.

## Industrial Ed Men Confer at SMSTC

Members of the Industrial Education Department attended a regional conference at the San Marcos State Teachers College last Tuesday.

Dr. John R. Ludington, assistant to the commissioner of education representing industrial arts in the U. S. Office of Education, was the principal speaker.

The students were accompanied by C. H. Groneman, W. E. Wright and L. B. Hildebrand. They visited the industrial arts and trade industrial departments of the Austin public school system en route to San Marcos.

Newspapers over the nation have lauded the group in numerous ways. The New York Times stated that the singers display a rich fund of deep religious fervor, irresistible humor, vitality, and exuberance.

A quotation from The New York World Telegram said that the Don Cossacks raised the roof in Carnegie Hall, and The New York Post praised the group as being a superb choral instrument.

Tickets for the performance are sold out.

Miniatures (finely worked portraits on ivory or metal) took their names originally from the fact they were painted with minium (native cinabar or lead).

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## Assistants Needed By Civil Service

The United States Civil Service Commission announced today that applications will be accepted until December 21, 1948 for Junior Professional Assistant, Junior Management Assistant, and Junior Agricultural Assistant examinations.

Positions in Washington, D. C., and throughout the United States, at \$2,974 a year, will be filled from these examinations.

Applications will be accepted from students who expect to complete their college courses by June 30, 1949. Age limits, waived for persons entitled to veteran preference, are from 18 to 35 years.

The announcement of these examinations are in booklet form and may be secured, with application forms, from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D.C.

## US Needs Aero, Engine Mechanics

Vacancies in the Civil Service for instructors of airplane and engine mechanics have been announced by the Civil Service examining board at Keesler Field, Mississippi.

The positions, which carry salaries of from \$3,974 to \$8,727, have teaching experience on the high school or college level as a prerequisite.

Application forms and information may be obtained from any first or second class post office, the board stated.



"MISSING" C-54 NOT MISSING AFTER ALL

FRANKFURT, Ger., Nov. 22.—(AP)—The U. S. Air Force said Saturday a C-54 transport on the Berlin Airlift apparently had landed in the Russian Zone, but more than two hours later it withdrew its announcement.

A public relations officer at air force headquarters in Wiesbaden said:

"We put out the announcement in good faith and now we find it was not correct. Our air safety center in Berlin was the victim of a hoax which carried all the way down here to Wiesbaden.

## Franchise Granted On Emerson Radio

Mrs. Munroe C. Neff, who lives in C-16-X, College View, has assumed the franchise to sell Emerson radios in College Station, according to Glyn Neff.

Neff secured the original franchise to sell radios but his stock was destroyed in the Aggeland Record Shop fire. Mrs. Neff will demonstrate radios in her home after 5 p. m., Neff added.

**Oldest Grid Foe**

18 pt.—OLDEST GRID FOE UNIVERSITY, Miss.—(AP)—Among Southeastern Conference rivals, Tulane is the University of Mississippi's oldest football foe, with the inaugural game (12-14) dating back to 1893. Following in order are Alabama, Vanderbilt, and Louisiana State. All save Vand. were beaten in the first games.

## Boy Preacher Proves Popular

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—(AP)—A 12-year-old Negro, son of a barber shop porter here, is receiving invitations to preach from churches all over the country. He is Howard Chubb, a student at junior high school. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Chubb.

## Introduction of new 'wonder' drugs have brought recent deaths from influenza and pneumonia in the United States to unprecedented low levels, but specialists insist that some types of these diseases are not amenable to the new treatments and an epidemic rise in deaths at some future time is not impossible.

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