

DR. WILLIAM V. LUMB has joined the staff of the department of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery.

### Adriance to Check Fertilizer Needs For Watermelons

Dr. Guy W. Adriance, head of the A&M Horticulture Department recently attended a meeting at Prairie View A&M College where plans were formulated to check fertilizer requirements for watermelons.

Adriance will work with Dr. G. L. Smith, director of Substation No. 18, in setting up 135 plots for experiments. These plots will have the three major elements applied in increments of 20 pounds each.

All these plots will be checked against the standard Black Diamond variety. Maturity and grading will also be considered.

Watermelons are becoming more and more important in Texas and the information obtained by this experiment should be of great interest to many Texas farmers, Dr. Adriance said.

F. R. Brison and Ralph Mitchell ran a similar experiment on sweet potatoes last year at Gilmer, Texas. Their findings soon will be printed in bulletin form.

### Members to Attend Masonic Banquet

A large number of Aggies who are members of the Masonic Lodge plan to attend the George Washington birthday Masonic banquet Wednesday, February 23, at 7 p. m. in Sbis Hall, according to Otis Miller of the Journalism Department.

Principal speaker will be Justice James W. McClinton, Chief Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals, Third Supreme Judicial District of Texas.

Student Masons may purchase tickets from the following: M. R. McClure, Room 12, Room 117; L. D. McKenzie, 1-421; T. F. Blackstone, 16-401; J. H. Cochrane, 17-201; R. D. Huston, Walton G, 4; C. J. Russell, Law, 1-K; L. D. Hobbs, C. V., A-12-C; V. R. Huddleston, Leggett, 101; and A. L. Sikes, P. H., 9-B.

# A&M Host To New Zealanders On World Wide Study Tour

By MARVIN RICE

A bit of New Zealand passed through the campus recently in the form of Dave Ormond and Garry Glazebrook, who hail from the farming regions of one of the lands down under.

With as refreshing a discourse as can be found on New Zealand, cattle and sheep production, farming methods, and life in general, these two men are making practically a world wide sweep in quest of knowledge to help in their agricultural methods and range management.

Beginning as an idea eight years ago, their trip was held up by the war during which time Dave flew Corsairs and Garry carrier-based Spitfires with the Fleet Air Arm. Now they are at about the half-way point in their extended tour.

Each started last June with a shipment of sheep to be delivered in Montevideo, Uruguay. As a sidelight on the type of sheep raised in New Zealand, one of the Corriedale rams which Dave took care of on board ship sold for \$8,000 in Montevideo.

After a reunion in Buenos Aires, a study of the range lands of the Argentine section of South America followed. Not overlooking the agricultural aspects, they were most impressed by the beauty of the country (and the girls.)

Continuing up the coast of South America with several stop-overs, Garry and Dave docked in New Orleans, bought a car, and started out for LSU. After a few days study there, they made a leisurely trip to A&M.

Here they scheduled talks with various professors in the Animal Husbandry Department and men

### Aptitude Exam For Advertising Slated

The third annual AAAA Examination for Advertising will be held for the first time in the Southwest at Dallas, on February 26 and 27. Monty Mann, chairman of the Southwest Chapter of the American Association of Advertising Agencies, announced today.

Mann stated that the examination will be given in two parts consisting of aptitude, psychological, and practical tests.

The examination is held annually by AAAA councils and chapters throughout the country to attract high-calibre young people to advertising and to test them for specific kinds of work in the industry, Mann said.

### Roerber Will Speak To Accountants

C. A. Roerber, auditor of the college will speak to members of the Accounting Society tonight at 7:30 p. m.

His subject will be "College Accounting Procedures," according to J. E. Hogan, reporter for the society. This is a regular meeting of the society and the speech will be held in the Agricultural Engineering Lecture Room.

in the Extension Service, listened to lectures, and learned all they could about our sheep and cattle production program.

No gentleman farmers, these two worked hard over a period of years to save enough money to make this trip.

Garry, who spent some time in Chicago during his flight training, is twenty-five years old and owns some 750 acres of pasture land at Hastings, New Zealand. Growing perennial rye grass and wild white clover, he fattens for market the lambs and old ewes unfit for breeding.

His spare time, which is not much, is taken up with hunting and polo. Nearly everyone in New Zealand participates in some form of sport, and polo is near the top of the list. Farmers use their riding horses for round robin tournaments of one chukker each. In this way, all get a chance to play without the need of a string of six or seven horses.

Dave owns 1,000 acres in Wai-pukurau, which is about fifty miles from Hastings. Crossing South-down and Romney sheep, he is building up a strain to produce long staple wool. Breeding Aberdeen Angus cattle is part of Dave's range program also.

Not content with such a mild game as polo, Dave rides as an amateur jockey when work permits. Flat races are his specialty, but he occasionally takes a horse over those neck-breaking hurdles in a steeplechase.

Both men were impressed with the size and vastness of the country and the many pasture improvements here in the Southern states. Moreover, they couldn't quite get over the "gadgets" that we have for making our work easier. They have no rural electrical program such as we do, and electrical appliances are scarce.

Food and clothing are terrifically expensive in the U.S., they thought, and gasoline and steel relatively cheap. Gas costs sixty cents per gallon in New Zealand, but meat is so cheap that American housewives might make a mass exodus if they found out the price.

Garry and Dave have a rigorous

schedule laid out for them. Their itinerary includes a trip to the King ranch, and then a wide sweep through New Mexico, Arizona, California, Utah, Idaho, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee. They hope to complete their tour through the United States by the end of May, work their way across the Atlantic to England, and thence home by the way of South America.

All in all, these boys are doing what a lot of us dream about but never take action on. They are improving their minds, gaining experience in their chosen profession, seeing the world, and having a good time doing it.

### A-M Judging Team To Finish Season At Oklahoma Meet

A&M's junior judging team will make its final judging trip of the year to Oklahoma City March 14, according to W. M. Warren, team coach. The team will compete with 12 to 15 other colleges in the judging of cattle, horses, sheep, and hogs.

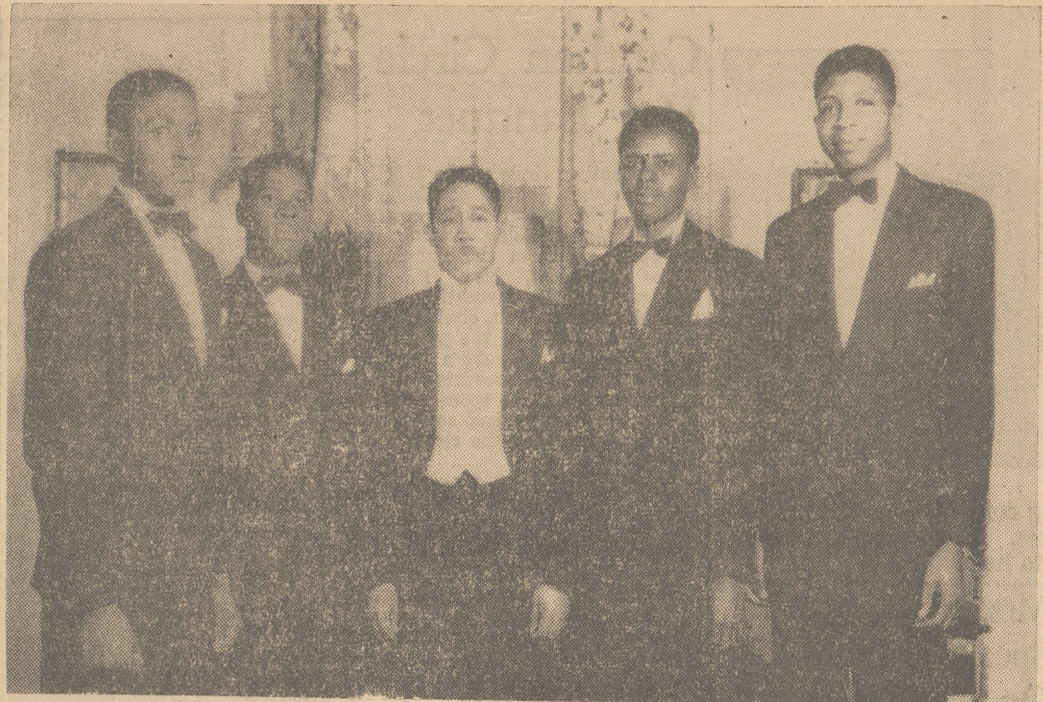
The team will make two week-end trips for extra practice in judging cattle and horses. The first is to San Antonio where they will visit the Essar Ranch and the Straus and Medina Ranch to judge Hereford cattle. The second trip will be to the Lester Godson Ranch for the judging of Goodson's quarter horses.

En route to Oklahoma City the team will stop at R. L. Underwood's ranch for final practice and preparation for the judging of quarter horses.

The team is competing for the second portion of the American Quarter Horses Association trophy for quarterhorse judging, Warren said.

The trophy must be won three times before the team can have permanent possession of it. Last year the junior team won first place.

Twenty men are working hard to fill the six-places—five as judges and one as alternate, Warren concluded.



The Prairie View Quartet performed in Guion Hall Saturday. They are, from left to right, ROBERT DAVIS, WILLIAM GREENWELL, DR. RUDOLPH VON CHARLTON, THOMAS AMEY and ROLAND FORD.

## Plans For A&M Open House Released During Week End

The first news concerning the A&M Open House, to be held here May 8, was released on the press wires last week-end, Bob Weynand, chairman of the publicity committee, told members of the A&M Open House Committee at a meeting today.

Weynand stated that the day will be publicized in every way possible. Attempts will be made to get the front page of the weekly magazines published by several statewide newspapers devoted to the A&M Open House a week or two prior to the occasion.

The committee discussed the possibilities of having corps seniors address high school groups during the Easter holidays. Suggestions were made to secure newspapers concerning the activities at A&M which could be shown to

different student groups.

Forms to be filled out by all the men participating in the Open House events are now available in the sociology office, Weynand said. The information which these forms will supply is necessary for the articles which are to be written for the individual's home town paper.

James L. Liverman, housing chairman, informed the committee that accommodations could be made available for 946 fathers or prospective students if as many as three persons were assigned to a dormitory room. If only two persons were assigned to a room 744 visitors could be accommodated.

According to a recent check with the housing office, 132 rooms are available in the new area dormitories and 70 more are open in the other dormitories. Twenty double beds could be set up in the band room and, if necessary, 300 beds are available in the hospital area at Bryan Field. No charges will be made for these rooms; however, the occupants will have to furnish their own sheets, Liverman stated.

James W. Andrew stressed that all department heads are requested to turn in to the program committee a sample of the department's program for that day. Included should be the type of exhibit—standing, or demonstration—which will be put on. The desired time at which the department wishes to put on its show or demonstration should be requested, Andrew said.

The committee decided that all mail concerning the A&M Open House should be addressed to the Open House Committee in care of the Office of the Dean of Engineering, College Station, Texas.

Andrew reported the prospects

of naming an "A&M Mother" for the A&M Open House. However, since there would be no suitable opportunity to present the Mother, the committee decided to refer all details concerning the matter to the Student Senate committee in charge of the Mother's Day activities.

The A&M Open House Committee agreed to have its picture made at the next meeting which will be held in Dean Howard Barlow's office at 5 p. m. next Tuesday.

### Williams Speaks To Pure Oil Group

E. L. Williams, director Industrial Extension Service, spoke to the supervisory personnel of the Pure Oil Refinery at the Hotel Beaumont in Beaumont Friday night. Williams has conducted programs in the past for many groups of supervisors in refineries throughout the country. He discussed The Supervisor's Place in Management.

J. E. Williams, assistant training director of the Pure Oil Refinery and who arranged the program is an A&M industrial education graduate of 1946.

## Goal of Post Grad Studies Is To Fill In The Blank Spaces

By TOM CARTER

The bachelor of philosophy studies, a correspondence course offered by A&M's Post Graduate Department, is designed to fill in the blank spaces in the educational framework of the technical student after graduation. The courses of the program deal solely with the humanities and relationships between various fields of intelligence.

History is of course one of the primary studies. History teaches its students about the past in order that they may understand the present and act intelligently in the future.

History is the record of what man has thought and done and aspired to do in the past. The future is naturally based on this past. Our dealings with other nations will be of a more enlightened type if our influential people understand the background of our international problems.

These considerations have guided the choice of history courses to be offered in the post graduate program.

In the realm of sociology, which deals with social pressures, relations, and stresses and strains between groups, the post graduate studies has already prepared two courses: Current Social Problems and Marriage and the Family.

Industrial relations hinge to a great extent on a knowledge of sociology and the studies in this field will be invaluable to graduates who are trying to educate themselves.

The English Department's contribution is to stimulate the thinking processes and broaden the appreciation of the graduate student. Courses now ready to be given

in this field are: Mark Twain and After, Modern Drama, Five Great Books, The Development of the American Spirit, Social Problems and the Recent American Novel, and Shakespeare. Being prepared for presentation are: Modern American and British Poetry, the Social Philosophers, the Foundations of Modern English Usage, and American Literature of the 19th Century.

The Biology Department has a contribution on the fire now which will be a course in readings for the layman on scientific subjects but not requiring a technical knowledge of biology. The authors include many big names and are the men of achievement in the field.

### Some Don't Know ... Aggies Asked Why A&M Their Choice

By BUDDY LUCE

Do you remember why you first came to A&M? You're not alone in your bewilderment, Aggie! That question, fired at Aggies all over the campus Wednesday afternoon, brought on several lapses of memory.

A Battalion poll, conducted for the purpose of determining why men come to A&M and whether or not they're glad of it now, found results both interesting and impressive. The fact that several didn't even remember why they ever set foot on the campus was the most startling result of the queries.

Forty percent of the students came to A&M for educational purposes. They investigated the different schools as possibilities and picked A&M for its reputation in agriculture and engineering in respective importance according to the poll.

Of the forty percent that came to A&M for educational purposes, the greater number had in mind the importance of military training at the same time.

Another forty percent came to this college because of the school spirit, intimate campus life, and devotion to the Aggie football team. Surprisingly enough, many present-day Aggies have followed the sports trail of the Aggie football team from early childhood. Maybe this explains the deep roots of the real old Aggie spirit.

The remaining twenty percent of the students make up the group that came to A&M because their fathers' were A&M men or had brothers' footsteps to follow in, and those who came for the purpose of getting commissions in the Army Reserve Corps.

The underlying motive of practically all students attending any educational institution is for an

Also in the cards is a genetics course which will do much toward explaining to the student the whys and wherefores of American traits. To glean a historical background of their profession, engineers and scientists will have the opportunity to sign up for a course in the Origins and Growth of Physical Science.

The Architecture Department has come forth with a course in the Intellectual and Cultural History of the Western World. This one comes in two parts, the first being a prerequisite for the second.

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### Fayette A&M Club Reactivated Here

Fayette County's A&M Club has been reactivated. It has been inactive since the beginning of the last war.

Club officers for the spring semester were elected at a meeting Thursday night. George C. Willman Jr., LA student, was elected president.

Others elected include Herbert A. Frede Jr., Business major, vice president; Raymond Kunze, Agriculture major, sec-treasurer; L. O. Tiedt, Agricultural Education major, reporter, and R. V. Weber, Mechanical Engineering major, social chairman.

Weber appointed a committee to make arrangements to obtain Fayette County newspapers to be placed in the library at A&M.

Future meetings of the club will be held in Room 227 of the Academic Building. Regular meetings will be held at 8 p. m. on the first Thursday of each month.

### Pioneer Air Lines Announce Profit

Pioneer Air Lines made an overall profit of \$8,900 in its 41 month of service, Gen. Robert J. Smith, announced.

The system operates into 26 Texas and New Mexico cities and covers some 2,200 miles. The company—inaugurated its first service on August 1, 1945.

A total of 25,090,000 passenger miles were flown in 1948 making a total of 48,855,755 miles now flown without a passenger or crew fatality, the president declared. Last year over 93,000 passengers were carried.

Gen. Smith said that two more DC-3's were put in service to bring the total to nine aircraft in operation on the system.

TORQUAY, England.—Mrs. M. L. Andrews advertised a house for rent.

A few minutes after the paper hit the street the first (and successful) applicant arrived by taxi—followed by 90 others, right up to midnight. Two telegrams came. Next day the mailman staggered up with 300 letters.

Said Mrs. Andrews, appalled: "I'm afraid to answer the door."

## Accountants Plan Second Annual Conference Here

The second annual Accountants Conference, which will be held A&M, April 26-27, will have an impressive group of outstanding speakers, according to T. W. I. land, head of the Business Accounting Department.

The program outlined by the advisory council under the chairmanship of S. R. Harwell, of Dallas includes Herman Miller, head of the Accounting Department Ohio State University; T. Dwig Williams, former president of the American Institute of Accountants and expert in the field of tax and Christian Jarochow, chairman of the board of the Controller Institute of America.

Also scheduled will be S. Ruttenberg of the CIO Research Division, who will present a lab representative view on accounting reports and M. G. Eaton, San Antonio, who will present an auditor report where no certificate is required.

Following each talk a discussion forum will be held to clear up questions, Leland added.

Members of the advisory council include Robert N. Stevenson, of Lucian Morgan, of the Business Accounting Department, at the Placement office, respectively of A&M.

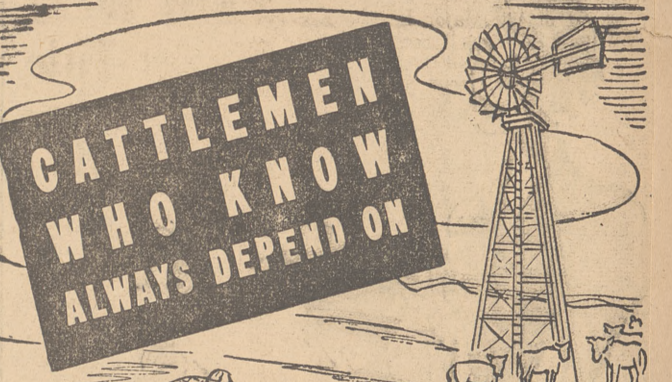
## Student Practice Profs Go Afield

Second semester practice teaching for senior agricultural education majors has now been completed according to Henry Ross, professor of agricultural education.

Since the beginning of this semester, seven men have done practice teaching. This is approximately one-tenth of the students that will practice teaching this semester.

Practice teacher's duties are the same as those of a vocational agriculture teacher in the high schools of these respective towns. The men returned to their studies here on February 21, Hawki said.

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—(AP) When the Notre Dame basketball team on its western tour this season, following a victory over Southern Methodist in Dallas, traveled San Francisco via plane for a game with St. Mary's, it was the first time any Irish athletic squad had made us of air travel.



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