

# Open House Day Begun In '29 With Different Name

By GEORGE CHARLTON

Exactly twenty years ago—that's when the first Open House Day was held on the campus. But at that time it had a different name as well as a different purpose.

Prior to the war parents and friends of the college had made their annual visits to the campus on Mother's Day. The program centered around the corps. Cadets strutted their stuff before admiring parents.

But students and officials of the college felt that there was much more of A&M than could be shown in the annual Mother's Day program. As a result of this feeling, Engineer's Day was inaugurated in 1929 on the Saturday preceding Mother's Day.

Every department in the School of Engineering was open to the visitors. In preparation for the event, several engineering departments had acquired displays of products from various manufacturing concerns throughout the coun-

try. One of the most interesting and well-remembered exhibits was the electrical engineering display which exhibited the modern marvels of electricity. The engineers displayed their machinery, materials, and operations used in the department. It was their way to shine.

Included in the activities for another typical Engineer Day program was a tea honoring all visiting parents, a baseball game, a reception in the president's home, and a corps dance that night.

In 1941, Engineer's Day assumed the title of All College Day. Plans for a greatly enlarged program were made for the Saturday preceding Mother's Day. The School of Arts and Sciences, the School of Veterinary Medicine, and the School of Agriculture were requested to help round out a complete program for the day.

But during the war years the event was dropped because of high costs of transportation and gaso-

line rationing. It was not until after the war that once again the public could view the facilities which make A&M one of the most fully equipped schools of its kind in the world.

Last year All College Day had reached its zenith as a growing institution. It was the biggest and best up to that time. More parents and friends of the college came to the event than ever before and exhibits were set-up by all departments on the campus. Many parents were amazed at the facilities and equipment available to the students. All College Day had become another worthy tradition.

Its purpose was, and is now, primarily to show what A&M has to offer in the way of education; to show parents what benefit A&M is to their boys.

This year the name of the annual affair was once again changed—this time to Open House Day. And it is said that this Open House Day will be even "bigger and better" than last year's.



Paul G. Morris, vice president and general sales manager of the Star Engraving Company of Houston, will speak to business and accounting students Monday afternoon at 1 in the YMCA Chapel. His subject will be "Selling As A Career."

# Students Ready For Annual Livestock Show On Weekend

One of collegedom's biggest livestock attractions will be held Friday and Saturday nights when the annual Little Southwestern Livestock Show opens in the Animal Husbandry Pavilion.

A full lineup of events has been scheduled for both nights, Don E. McInturf, general superintendent of the show, announced today.

One of the feature attractions for Saturday night will be a pig roping contest between Dean of Agriculture C. N. Shepardson and Dean of Men W. L. Penberthy. Penberthy accepted Shepardson's challenge to any dean of the college to meet him in the sty to try their hands at competitive roping.

Seventy five head of livestock will be shown both nights, McInturf stated. Beef cattle, horses, swine, and sheep will be featured.

Another attraction of the Saddle and Siroin Club's plans for Open House Day will be a judging contest for Freshmen and Sophomores

in the AH Pavilion Saturday morning at 8. One hundred and fifty students will participate. Awards will be made to the three winning freshmen and two winning Sophomores. The contest will be open to the public and no charge will be made.

In addition to the regular showing of livestock, there will be several special events on the program for both nights. Included in these will be exhibitions of cutting horses, calf roping, gated horses, and a reining horse contest. A prof pig roping contest will be held Friday night.

Trophies and awards for the champions of each class of livestock and the grand and reserve champions have been donated by the Saddle and Siroin Club, breeding associations, and exhibitors of Bryan.

The grand champion and the reserve champion will each receive large gold trophies donated by the Saddle and Siroin Club. The champion cutting horse rider will be given a gold trophy on an ivory base with the gold figure of a cutting horse on the top.

Walter Britten, Bryan auctioneer and A&M graduate in the class of '36, will present a gold trophy with a reining horse figure on the top for the best reining horse.

The champion Herford exhibitor will be given awards donated

by the American Hereford Breeders Association and the Texas Hereford Breeders Association. The Texas Swine Breeders Association will donate a trophy, and the Aberdeen Angus Association will also give a trophy and a cash award.

The "Three D" quarter horse farm at Arlington, Texas, will give a trophy to the man showing the championship horse. Another trophy will be donated by the Delaine Sheep Breeders Association to the exhibitor of the best sheep. On Saturday night medals will be awarded to the senior and junior members of the meats judging team and to the junior livestock judging team.

Charley Green, AH major from Coleman, will be awarded the Brewer Award Saturday night as the outstanding AH student of the year.

Judges for the show are E. N. Regenbrecht of the Extension Service who will judge swine; Tommie Thompson of the Extension Service judging horses; and Bill Marshall of the San Angelo branch of the Extension Service who will judge sheep.

Ben Baskin, championship judge from Bryan, and A. L. Smith of the Extension Service complete the judging list.

## Masons to Picnic In Hensel Park

Members of Sul Ross Masonic Lodge, student masons of all degrees and their families will be guests at a picnic in Hensel Park at 4:30 p. m., May 11, according to H. W. Hatlow, dean of Engineering.

Short clothes and a good time will be the order of the day. A. E. Nelson, history department, is polishing up his dark glasses in readiness to umpire the baseball game, Hatlow said.

## Where There's A Will . . .

# Students Form Own Classes In Quest for Typing Skill

By DAVE COSLETT

When an ambitious Aggie makes up his mind he wants to learn to type, nothing short of a major catastrophe is going to stop him. The best thing to do is to wheel out a weather-beaten Underwood and let him have at it.

Ben Lampkin, president of the Pre-Law Society, forcibly made this point when he placed his faith in a motto that "right makes might," and set forth to remedy what he considered a deplorable situation.

Of course Ben wasn't alone in his fight—he just happened to take the lead.

The whole story began back around Christmas time when the Pre-Law Society made a trip to

Dallas. At a meeting there, they listened to a talk by a corporation lawyer who was amazed at learning that none of the pre-law students from A&M had had a chance to study typing, a skill that he considered an essential for any good barrister.

This statement added fuel to a fire that had long been smoldering around these parts. Countless times the members of the society had been faced with preparing a report or theme that had to be typed. And they had seen their roommates and buddies faced with the same problems, particularly distressing ones to those students of technical courses in which typewritten work was in constant demand.

Lampkin tried, unsuccessfully, to have the business department institute a non-credit course in the manipulation of an 80-character key-board. The only solution seemed to be in finding some available typewriters and either doing some self-teaching or finding someone willing to devote spare time to instruction for the project.

The typewriters turned up in the journalism department. They were available for use, too—under the stipulation that the students found some reputable person who would assume the responsibility for their safe-care. Ben promised on behalf of the society members that his group would be only too glad to restock the machines with ribbons and make up for any other expense occasioned by their use.

The next obstacle was securing a "reputable person" and instructor. Another trip to the business department again proved fruitless. None of the male instructors, it seemed, could take on the extra teaching chores. Attempts to find a secretary willing to assume the job were likewise unsuccessful.

Finally, Lampkin wandered into the office of Miss Clara Carson, an instructor in the English Department. Here his pleas fell on sympathetic ears and Miss Carson agreed to take over an informal class on a two-week experimental basis.

Each student armed himself with a 42 cent typing book and set to work to master the art under Miss Carson's direction in an evening class. That was about a week or so ago. In just four 50-minute class sessions, the eager group has mastered the keyboard and advanced to the paragraph typing stage.

Comparative secrecy has shrouded the whole arrangement up until now because Lampkin was convinced that the small class would have been faced with an overflow, had word of the operation gotten around.

Even at that, all of the class members are not pre-law students. One of them is a graduating senior who sees in the class what will probably be his last chance to receive formal instruction in the subject.

When the two-week experiment draws to a close this week, Lampkin hopes to have built a strong argument on which to base additional requests for formal typing

instruction at A&M. Reports from Miss Carson, who is devoting her time free of charge, indicate that all of the students have set forth in this self-inspired quest for added knowledge with seldom-equalled vigor.

If perseverance still holds its power to overcome all obstacles, a regular typing course should soon find a place in many Aggies' curricula.

## Vets Save GI Time By Seeing Advisor

Veteran students desiring to save 15 days GI time should report to Room 104, Goodwin Hall not later than Saturday, May 7, at noon, Taylor Wilkins, Veteran Advisor, has reported.

Thirty days school leave are automatically given all students under the GI Bill unless the students report to the Veteran's Advisor asking otherwise. The 30 days are divided into two 15 day periods—15 days for Christmas holidays and 15 days at the end of any semester in which the student will not be in school for the next school session.

The reason that many of the students prefer not to receive the holiday payments is that if a semester is half over when the GI time ends, the students continue receiving payments. The fifteen days, if added to some future semester, will often be the difference between receiving only half a semester and a full semester of payments.

Students attending summer school are not affected by the announcement and they will continue receiving their regular payments as long as their GI time lasts, Wilkins added.

## Samuel to Speak To FFA Group

L. I. Samuel, supervisor for vocational agriculture in the north Texas area, will speak to the Collegiate FFA Chapter at 7:30 p. m., May 9, according to John Bradford president of the chapter.

His subject will be, "What the Area Supervisor Expects of a First Year Teacher of Vocational Agriculture."

Samuel has 25 years experience in vocational agriculture both as a teacher and as an area supervisor and is well qualified to speak on the subject.

He received his B. S. in agricultural education from A&M in 1926 and his M. S. here in 1931.

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### MORNING SERVICES

9:45 A. M. Sunday School

10:45 A. M. Worship Service

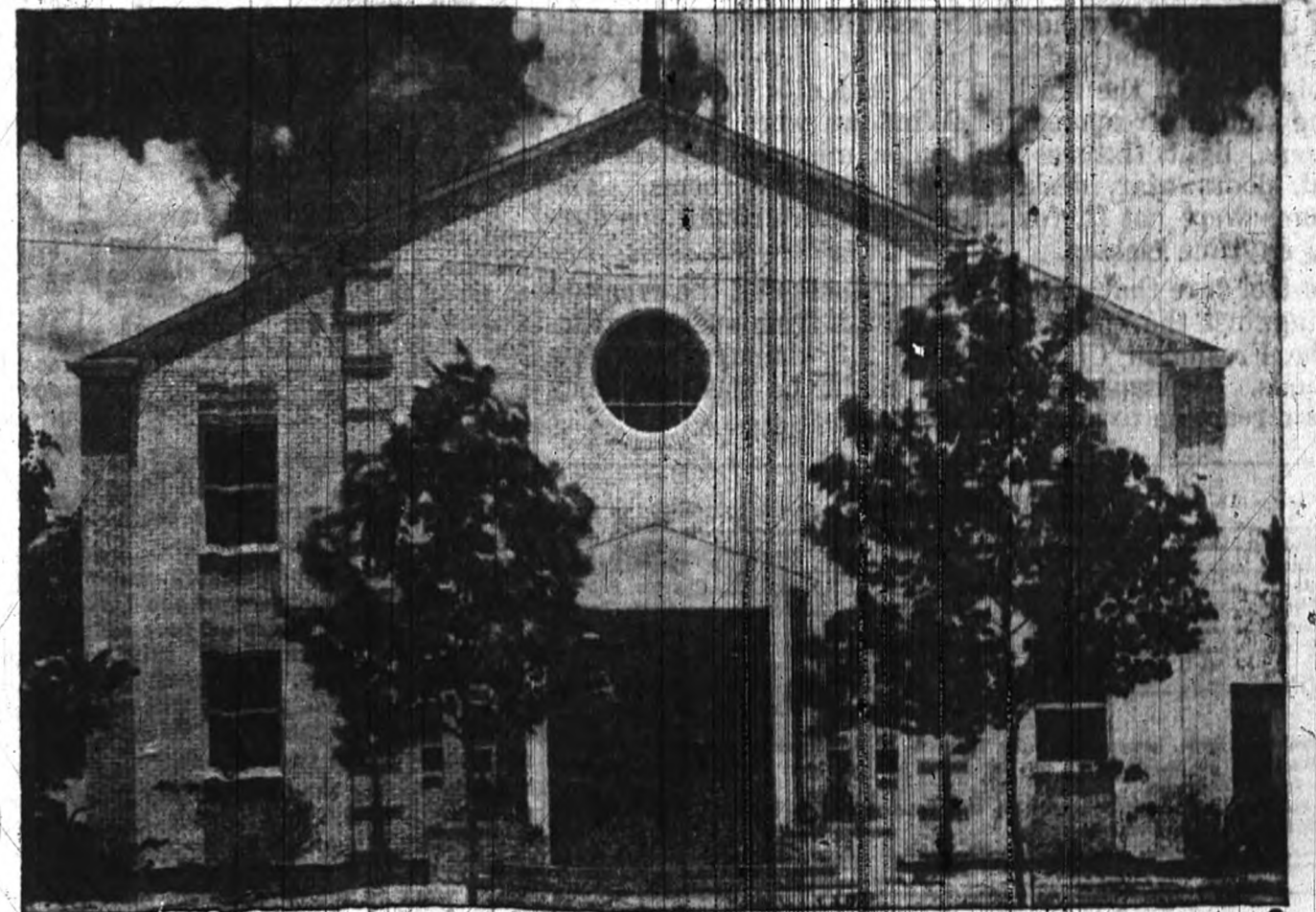
Songs & Prayer

Child's Bibles presented to all children under 3 years of age.

Song

Tribute to Mother—Cadet C. O. Smith, Jr.

Orchids presented to the youngest and oldest mothers present.



Present Building

11:25 A. M.

Announcements, prayers and offering

Special Music

Message by Pastor

Invitation Hymn

12:00 Noon

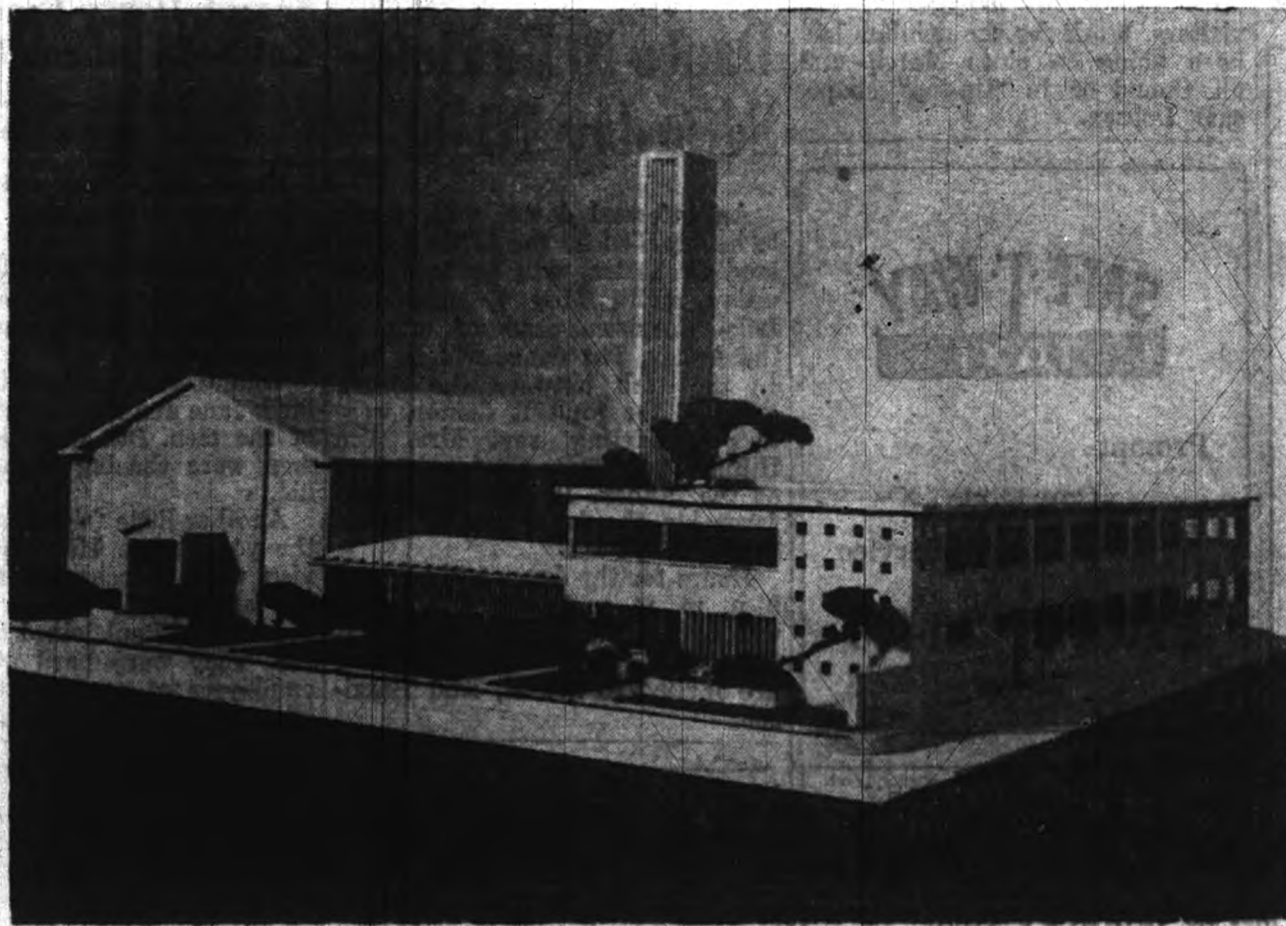
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### EVENING SERVICES

6:15 P. M. Training Union

7:15 P. M. Evening Worship



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