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## Paris Night Life Can Be Expensive

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PARIS, July 9.—After a full and fast two weeks in Paris, the A&M Architectural tour will leave Sunday for Marseilles and the Riviera. In order to make side tours along the way we have chartered a bus to take us the entire swing through southern France, Italy, Switzerland, and then back to Paris.

The group will be satisfied if the remainder of our trip is as nice as Paris has been. Only one man has been sick—with a case of G.I.'s.

We have all had to learn by experience in Paris. If I were going to give advice to a tourist I would tell him to:

Ride first-class on the metro (subway). It costs only 1½ cents more than second-class, and it is much better during the rush hours.

Ride busses to see as much of the city as possible.

Don't go into a night club with a floor show unless you have at least 2000 francs (approximately \$6) as most of them serve only fine wines or champagne during the show with a high minimum cost. It is best to travel in groups of two, three or four to split the cost up.

Don't order coffee unless you like liquid snuff. Tea is the only drink for the teetotaler, but one can easily become a connoisseur of wines in a few days. And a slight jag from the wine makes the day pass faster and easier. One of my favorites is rose wine, although good Rhone wine is fine with meat.

Try not to order anything in your hotel unless you pay for it first because they stick you a high rate, plus a 15 percent service charge on it. For example, postage stamps should be purchased at the post office.

If you walk into an expensive looking cafe, do not order anything without checking the price. One day I got stuck 50 cents for coffee, 80 cents for salad, and 75 cents for dessert. By the time they added a service charge of 12 percent and a 100 franc cover charge, my meal cost \$5. Needless to say, I hate not going back there.

Watch your step when crossing the street. If the driver honks twice before he hits you, then he's legally clear. They try to, too. At night the cars drive with parking lights and are very hard to see and dodge.

## Farm Highway Site Approved

The construction of a new farm-to-market road from Allen farm north to State Highway 6 has been approved by the Texas Highway Commission, John Davenport, administrative aide, announced today.

Construction of the road is contingent upon the condition that Brazos County is to furnish all required right-of-way free of cost to the State.

As soon as funds and the right-of-way are available, plans for the construction of the \$80,000, 9.3 mile-long road will be completed. The state will assume the maintenance of the road upon completion of work.

## Contract Awarded For Street Paving

"A contract has been awarded to T. C. Gage & Giesse Brothers of San Antonio to pave the campus streets," said T. R. Spence, manager of the Office of Physical Plants.

The bid submitted by Gage and Giesse Brothers was for \$28,810 and calls for asphaltic concrete on the campus streets in College View.

"Work on the streets will begin within the next two weeks," Spence stated, "and will be completed within 90 calendar days."

Basic repair work, consisting of gravel retopping, is now being done in College View by the College.

## WEATHER

EAST TEXAS—Clear to partly cloudy this afternoon, tonight and Thursday with a few daytime thunder showers near the extreme upper coast; not much change in temperatures; moderate southeast and south winds on the coast.

WEST TEXAS—Generally fair this afternoon, tonight and Thursday.

SHOWERS—except a few local thunder showers in El Paso area and Big Bend country tonight; not much change in temperatures.

American cigarettes are at a premium. One carton brings about \$5, and if you do not smoke they are useful as a means of bartering.

Paris has been fairly expensive for us, and we will be broke by the time we hit England. Our instructor, O. J. Meador, has hit us for \$300 to cover transportation and hotel expenses on the continent. We are stocking up on wine, cheese, bread and salami to take on our bus trip.

We will augment our rations with pastry and one meal a day in the bigger towns.

## Exchange Store Has New Plan For Used Books

The Exchange Store is beginning a new plan for used book buying, Carl Birdwell, manager, said today. Retail and wholesale offers will be made on almost all books any day of the year.

Only books that will be used this fall will be bought at the present, Birdwell announced. Fifty percent of the list price will be paid for them. This retail list will include books that the Exchange Store needs and will be kept current.

The wholesale list includes old editions, discontinued titles, and books bought at other schools for which the current wholesale price will be paid. The list will be revised monthly.

The new plan will permit students to sell old books at maximum value the day they are through with them.

Each department has been requested to submit a list showing the number of students expected to enroll in their departments this fall. Students are urged to request books prior to the fall semester to be assured of obtaining them.

## English Girl Visits Campus

Mary Howe, international farm youth exchange delegate from Cambridge, England, is visiting A&M today, according to Floyd Lynch, state 4-H leader of the Texas Extension Service.

She appeared on the extension service staff conference program this morning at 11:30 a. m. in the YMCA chapel, and will also inspect the college herds during her visit.

Miss Howe has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hank Nelson of the Jantevag community in Wharton county since June 27. She talked before various groups including the Rotary and Lions Clubs. Before she returns to England she will spend one month in Nueces county.

Reared on a 500-acre farm near Cambridge, Miss Howe is well versed in farming and particularly interested in livestock.

Swimming Meet

Mrs. Fred Hale, chairman of the swimming committee, was commended by White for the success of the invitational swimming meet held two weeks ago. She reported that there were 450 entries in the various events of the meet and that the group represented swimmers from nine Texas towns.

Two hundred forty three were enrolled in the summer swimming courses offered by the recreation council last six weeks. Both swimming and diving instruction is given in the class under the direction of Art Adamson and Emil Mamaliga. Mrs. Hale said.

Morning classes for all those in all stages of skill are held in P. L. Downs Natatorium. College Station leases the pool in the mornings from the College for use in its program, according to White.

## Square Dancing

Square dancing classes are held in the Parish House of the St. Thomas Episcopal church under the direction of Lee Thompson. Classes are limited to adults and

include both beginning and advanced square dancers. The group meets on Monday evenings, said White.

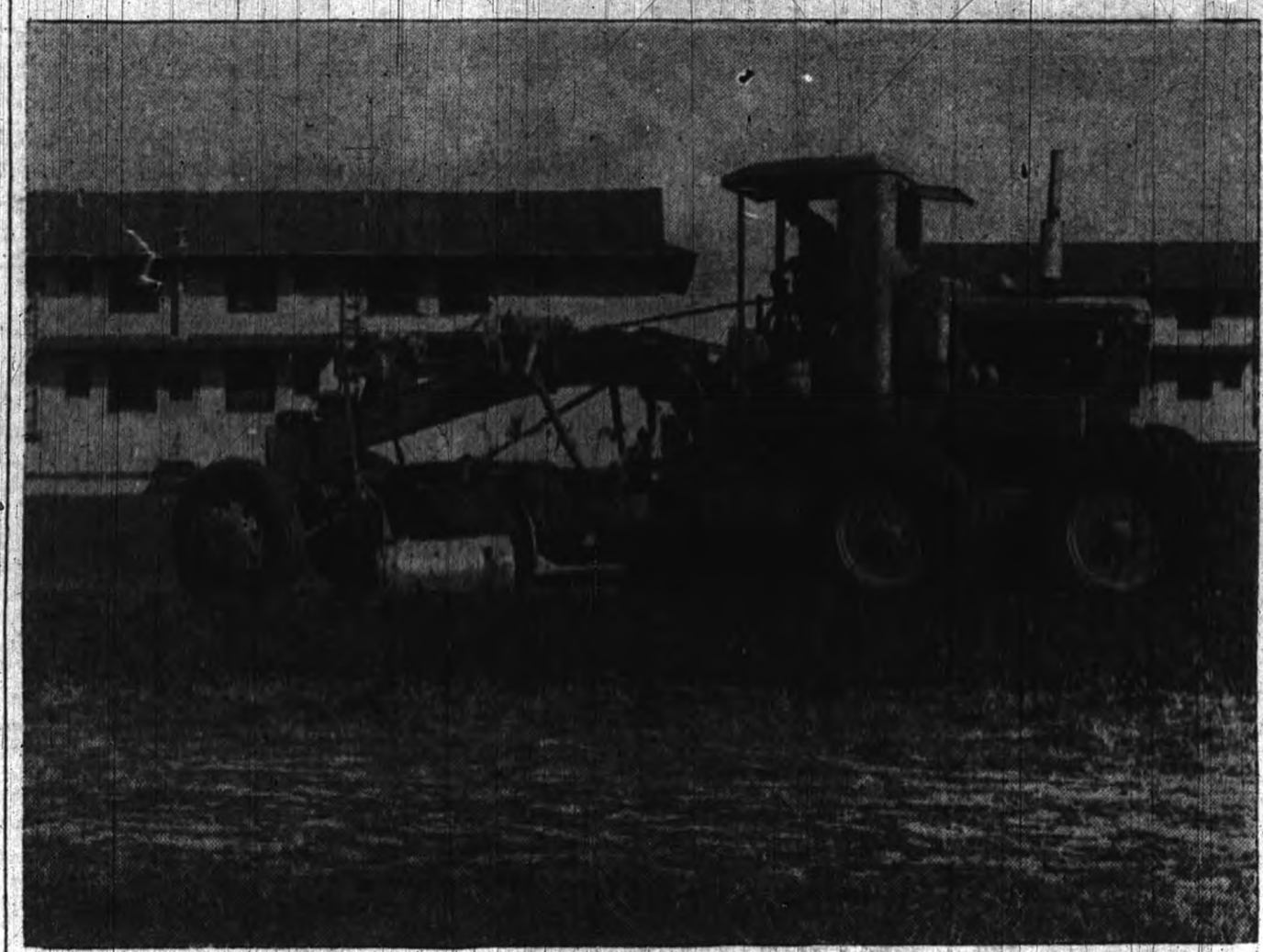
Ten squares of beginners and eight squares of advanced dancers have signed for the course for the second six weeks, according to Mrs. Johnny Lyons, chairman of the square dance committee. She said that the class was still open to anyone interested.

Younger Children

Activities for younger boys and girls are under the direction of Nicky Ponthieux. Classes in beginning and advanced tumbling, tennis and softball are held. The group meets at the Consolidated High School. Besides classes, Ponthieux directs a supervised play period from five to six p. m. each day at the Patranelia slab at the high school, White said.

Classes in Handicraft work held last six weeks under the direction of Mrs. J. M. Nance will be continued if enough enroll in the class, Mrs. O. A. Helvey, chairman of the handicraft group, said at the meeting.

If there are enough interested, a course in sketching will be given by Mrs. Nance to replace or parallel the handicraft work, Mrs. Helvey said. She asked that anyone interested in either of the courses call her at 49404. Seventy five



At last, a dream come true. The grader is working on streets in College View in preparation for asphalt topping they are to get. The College View street work is the beginning of a widespread program in College street improvements.

## Second Half of City Summer Recreation Program Started

The College Station recreation program continued in full operation this week with registration periods for second six weeks activities being held Monday and Tuesday nights, C. G. White, chairman of the College Station Recreational Council, said today.

Expecting as large a group as was signed last six weeks, the Council continued operation of all its summer activities, White said.

Reports concerning the success of last six weeks program were given at a meeting of the Council yesterday. Fees charged last six weeks to cover expenses in some activities were reported as being more than adequate and a lowering of the fees was discussed. Any action on the matter will not be taken until a full financial report in each of the activities is made, said White.

McClure Receives Staff Appointment

Lieut. Marvin R. McClure Jr., Texarkana, has been appointed to the staff of the Headquarters and Service Company of the 386th Armored Engineer Battalion.

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Moore Attending Chick Convention

W. J. Moore, associate extension poultry husbandman, is attending the International Baby Chick Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, July 19-22, according to Director G. G. Gibson of the extension service.

Moore is traveling by personal car and will visit other land grant colleges while enroute. He will discuss with their poultry staff members problems of common interest to the states concerned, Gibson said.

At the convention, he will have an opportunity to see the latest developments in poultry breeding and the newest equipment available for the poultry producer. Leaders in the poultry industry will appear on the convention program and will be available for consultations with the delegates.

A&M Student Will Wed in California

Edward L. Williams Jr. third year Aero student, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Williams Sr. of College Station, left Saturday for Arcadia, California where he will be married to Miss Marilyn Doering. The wedding will take place July 26.

The couple will return to College Station where they will be at home at College View after August 1.

GROVE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 20—Juke Box Dance.

Thursday, July 21—Free Movie, "Badlands of Dakota," with John Wayne.

Friday, July 22—Square Dancing.

Saturday, July 23—Dance with Aggie Combo.

Sunday, July 24—Skating.

Monday, July 25—Bingo.

Tuesday, July 26—Free Movie.

## Progress Marches On; New Models Expected Any Day

By MARVIN 'JOCKO' BROWN

From Des Moines, Iowa, comes a bit of interesting information via the Associated Press wire. Peter H. Baumann, has developed wingless chickens—that's right, chickens with no flippers.

Baumann claims that his chickens will have more white meat and bigger drumsticks, because the feathered fowl has to use their feet more for support.

Thinking perhaps some similar experiments were being conducted here, I took a little jaunt around the campus. At the library J. Bookisch McWorm admitted he has been toying with the idea of developing a book with no printing.

McWorm is optimistic about his project, saying it will be the most controversial book since The Bible. Who knows, it might even make the best seller list, and be chosen for the Book of the Month Club.

On the other hand, McWorm rambled on, I might make a textbook out of it.

"Too late, too late," I cried, "the ME Department is already using books like that."

Leaving McWorm hurling shouts of "Plagiarists" at the ME Building, I started for the Academic Building to interview Dr. Addan Subtract, the eminent Math prof. Familiarly known as "Blinky" by his colleagues because he can see no farther than the chalk dust on his fingers, I found him about to step out for a cup of Jo.

After stumbling into Sully's statute and murmuring "pardon me, madam," Blinky told me about his research.

"Yes, I have invented a new system of mathematics. No matter what the problem is, the answer will always be the square root of \$1.98."

Blinky does not think there will be much opposition to his scheme, but somehow I think there will be a few narrow-minded, stick-in-the-mud people who will fail to realize the possibilities of the new math. Future engineers, accountants and students will, no doubt, bless Blinky's name.

At the Genetics Department, I tried Dr. Evo Luton away from his test tube long enough for a short chin-fest. After discussing the wingless chicken, Evo made sure the door was locked, the windows closed and the shades drawn, and told me of the things to come.

"The 1965 model Homo Sapiens—human, to you, son—will have two heads as standard equipment," said Evo.

Doing a quick double take, I thought of countless problems which would face the parents of such an offspring.

"But look here, Doc," I said, "What about haircuts? Shirts would have to have two necks, and you would drive the laundry nuts trying to figure out which one to put the laundry mark in."

"Pooh," said Evo, "of course there are a few problems which will have to be worked out. But think of the advantages, my boy. On parties you could drink twice as much beer, and on dates you could have twice as much fun. And, too, when going to school, the Heads could take turns going to sleep. Also, there . . ."

"Never mind, Doc," I interrupted, "the possibilities are intriguing. But after those beer parties you would have two hangovers and would have to take twice as much aspirin. No, thanks, but no thanks, I prefer things as they are."

"Bidding adieu to the good doctor, I put on my two hats and left.

## 2452 Register Here For Second Summer Term

### Brooks Field Grove Will Continue As Center Of Summer Recreation Program

A total of 2542 students registered for the second summer semester, H. L. Heaton, Registrar, announced yesterday. This figure is not permanent, however, because students are still "trickling in."

Registration figures for this semester show a decline of approximately 500 students over the first summer semester. The number of female students took a drop from 130 to 48, according to figures from the registrar's office.

Friday, July 22, is the last day for registration in the college division for credit during the second term of the summer session, Heaton said.

### Layne-Texas Is Low Bidder On Water System

Bids on the first four production wells of A&M's new and independent water system were opened yesterday in the office of Physical Plants.

Homer A. Hunter, consulting water engineer, and T. R. Spence, manager of Physical Plants, have recommended the awarding of contract to the low bidder.

Two bids were received. The Layne-Texas Company, Limited, submitted a bid of \$80,000 and a bid of \$84,240 was received from the Texas Water Wells, Incorporated.

"These bids are being reported by Chancellor Gilchrist to the Board of Directors," Spence said, "and it is expected that the contract will be awarded within several days."

Work on the wells is to start within 15 days after the contract has been awarded and is to be completed within 120 calendar days.

The wells will reach the approximate depth of 540 feet and will be located six miles west of Bryan in the northwest part of Brazos County. The first well will be sunk about two miles west of Bryan Air Field and will extend in a line toward the Bryan waterfield.

Future plans call for bids to be submitted for a pipe line, to be laid to the reservoir tank which will be located in the vicinity of the Feeding and Breeding Station.

### Farm Institute To Meet Here

"Registration for the first annual session of the Texas Farm Bureau Institute will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday, July 24," said M. C. Jaynes, chairman for the committee on arrangements.

The curriculum for the first year is to be restricted to four basic subjects as suggested by the Board of Directors of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation and county officers.

"Philosophy and policies of the Farm Bureau, salesmanship, public speaking, and membership acquisition and maintenance will be the courses offered," Jaynes said. Marvin Carter, state organization director, will preside over the training school.

Tuition for each student is \$5.00 and enrollment should be made through the State Farm Bureau. Rooms will be available for the entire student body in the college dormitories within walking distance of the assembly and class rooms.

Evening sessions will be held also, Jaynes stated. The Sunday and Monday sessions will be a "get acquainted" meeting. Tuesday evening, a tour of the college proper will be conducted.

A square dance at the slab will be held Wednesday and a tour of the college experiment farms and plantations will be conducted Thursday. The closing session Friday will be a banquet and certificate presentation.

### Grove to Have Dance Contest

Saturday night's Grove dance, besides featuring Bill Turner's Aggie Combo, should bring out the competitive spirit in the town's dance lovers. Its highlights will be two dance contests, Harry Raney, student senator from Vet Village, said yesterday.

A new development will be "baby buggy" parking areas for parents who like to dance but don't know what to do with their offspring.

Couples who place first in a "smooth" contest, and in a jitterbug contest will receive ten dollars worth of individual prizes. Raney explained. Paul Joneses will also be called intermittently during the evening.

Raney, who is a member of the summer entertainment committee, is sponsoring the dance which lasts from eight to eleven. During the summer each committee member takes charge of one of the dances.

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Nicky Ponthieux's summer tumbling class for College Station children is "hard at it" during one of the class sessions. The class is sponsored by the College Station Recreational Council.