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Reward for Broader Horizons, The Ph.D. . . .

Interest in Post Graduation Studies should not be limited to graduating seniors alone; it should be student body-wide.

The Bachelor of Philosophy (Ph.B.) granted by this college to men who have finished work required in the Post Graduation Studies program is a recognized degree given upon satisfactory completion of 36 semester hours of the PGS program. A maximum of 12 semester hours toward the Ph.B. can be gained during undergraduate enrollment here. The remainder, or all 36 hours, may be completed through correspondence.

PGS offers a broad curriculum of humanities for students to choose from. Courses range through the fields of history, literature, economics, and some non-technical scientific courses. The purpose of PGS is to give A&M graduates the opportunity to continue a helpful reading and study program after their graduation. To encourage this post graduation interest by students, the College has established PGS to give a second degree, the Ph.B.

Listing the advantages of the PGS program, V. M. Faires, head of PGS, told the National University Extension Association in Excelsior Springs, Missouri, earlier this month: "First, general education is obtained while the student is fully employed. Thus, the cost of this education, which is equivalent to the work of a school year if carried to a degree, is only a fraction of the cost of the same residence instruction.

"Second, the student is more mature and therefore he will comprehend more than he would if the same work were taken at freshman and sophomore levels.

"Third, we hope to bind our alumni

closer to the College by making them feel that the College has a continuing interest in their welfare.

"Fourth, we hope our plan will encourage our graduates to stay in the 'getting-an-education' group. That is, education is a process, not something that is done and over with. . . . Considering the amount of knowledge mankind has accumulated, it is becoming increasingly essential for the college to convince its graduates that they are only on the threshold of learning. Boiled down into one sentence, we hope that four, five, or more years of part time study and reading will set a pattern that will endure in some degree throughout a lifetime.

"Fifth, we hope that the amount of writing a student must do in completing 36 credit hours of correspondence work will materially improve his word ability. . . . Not everyone knows that it takes a great deal of practice to produce a significant improvement in writing, although most people would agree that it would take a lot of practice at tennis in order to play a good game."

This college is a leader among the nation's higher educational institutions in offering the Ph.B. as a reward and incentive to pursue studies in humanities beyond those prescribed in the college curriculum. The Ph.B. offers technical men with short horizons of knowledge beyond their own field an opportunity to gain greater perspective through increased knowledge of social institutions and mankind.

Truly, the Post Graduation Studies and its degree, the Ph.B., should be investigated and considered by every student of A&M past or present.

Hazing and Maturity . . .

The old, old question of collegiate hazing practices has been brought to the fore again with tragic abruptness by the death of one student and serious injury of another in a fraternity hazing stunt at Wittenberg college in Ohio. By coincidence, this occurred only a few days after a small stir created by a hazing incident at another Ohio college in Youngstown, in which eight men were left stranded on a Lake Erie breakwater in the middle of the night. There were no serious consequences, but there might have been if a storm had arisen.

Every college and university faces the question of whether to permit hazing, and if so to what extent it should be controlled. The kindest thing which can be said for the custom is that it is a mask of the immaturity of the students. Most college administrators agree that their students

need some officially sanctioned outlets for the urges of immaturity. Should hazing be one of these accepted outlets?

The fact that tragedy results is not the only reason for raising the question. When hazing is a prerequisite to membership in a campus society, somehow a disproportionate importance becomes attached to it; a student is ostracized if he fails to pass without a whimper through whatever ordeals may be prepared for him, no matter how ridiculous or dangerous. There is something wholly inconsistent with the aims of education in a custom which leads the upperclassmen, who should be most advanced, to try to outdo each other in thinking up ways to degrade the victim of a hazing and subject him to mental anguish and physical torture. Hazing simply does not belong on the college campus. It is too childish.

—The Temple Daily Telegram

COULDN'T BE DIGESTIVE TROUBLE - WE HOPE



Job Calls

INTERVIEWS

2 May 24—Johns-Manville Sales Corporation will interview men for positions in their Building Products Division. Prefer single men only.

3 May 24—Tex-Tan of Youkom will interview men interested in sales work.

SUMMER JOBS

1 The City of Port Arthur will be able to use a few men of JUNIOR standing for map-drafting work and field survey party work. They prefer civil engineers, but

will consider mechanical and electrical engineers.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

1 Douglas & Mansfield, Consulting Engineers in Houston, are interested in securing a civil or architectural engineer with ability and desire to do design work. This company mainly deals with utilities and industrial plants.

2 E. I. du Pont at Victoria has an opening for an architectural construction major to be trained for pipe insulation inspection work.

3 Ficker, Nichols and Turner, consulting engineering firm in Houston, has an opening for an architect for structural design work on water and sewage plant projects.

4 Lennox Furnace Company, Fort Worth is planning to institute a full program of job evaluation, wage survey, methods and time study, and are interested in employing a management engineer.

5 There is opening available with Ed Friedrich, Inc. in San Antonio, for a mechanical engineer. The work will be drafting to start and later will develop into layout and design.

6 The City of Marshall, Texas, is planning a large program of construction and improvement of their sewer system and will be in need of additional engineering help. They will require an experienced civil engineer as well as an instrument man for survey work.

7 The Morrison Milling Company in Denton, has an opening in their Production Department for a chemist or mechanical engineer to be trained in milling methods procedure and requirements. This man will be developed into executive material.

8 The Rural Transformer & Equipment Company in Milwaukee, manufacturers of a complete line of distribution transformers, are in need of one of two men for technical sales promotion work. The location of the work will be in Texas.

9 Morris Silberman, general contractor in Dallas, is interested in employing a civil engineer or architect who is interested in residential home construction work in Dallas.

10 The Texas Illinois Natural Gas Pipeline Company is interested in employing four civil and two mechanical engineers who would be interested in employment with their company in connection with the construction of a 2,200 mile pipeline system extending from near Corpus to Chicago, Illinois.

Refresher Set For Reservists

Lt. Col. J. Wayne Stark and Lt. Col. Vernon G. Young of College Station are attending a Logistical Division Refresher Course at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, May 21-27. Oscar B. Abbott, chief of the Texas Military District, announced.

The purpose of the refresher is to orient commanders and key staff members of the Organized Reserve Corps of the Logistical Division. Under the new organization of the Organized Reserve Corps, these units would be redesignated Logistical Commands.

A logistical division is a new type of Army unit designed to be a flexible organization for the support of combat units. It will take charge of the supply and administrative activities of a theater of operations in the zone of interest. It is made up of the combined services and is organized, trained and equipped as a homogeneous force which can be built quickly by expansion.

Twenty-three officers of Texas are attending the 6-day course, Abbott said.

Physical Standards Lowered by Navy

The Navy has lowered its physical requirements for enlistment in order to fill existing vacancies, according to J. H. Howard, TMC, USA, of the local recruiting station.

All men previously rejected for physical reasons are asked to re-apply for enlistment. Vacancies are available in most of the 62 special trades.

Full information on present enlistment requirements and on the Navy's trade schools may be obtained at the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, Court House, Bryan, Texas.

Bible Verse

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalms 139: 23-24.

Official Notice

Final examinations are required of all advanced degree candidates. These exams may be scheduled early enough in the week of May 22 to enable you to return to get the cards for these men to the registrar's office by 4 p.m. Friday, May 26. Graduate School.

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Congressman Calls Trade Deal Unfair

Washington, May 23—(AP)—Rep. Crawford (R-Mich) said yesterday it appeared that a New York firm made a \$2,700,000 brokerage profit on a deal in which American cotton was swapped for Manchurian soybeans.

He criticized the Department of Agriculture for arranging the trade at a time when, Crawford said, it had \$2,800,000 worth of surplus soybeans on hand.

A department spokesman defended the deal, being finished by the Army, and said that Crawford's estimate of the brokerage fee was exaggerated. This official said he did not know what the fee would be.

Crawford, in a statement inserted in the Congressional record and a brief elaborating speech, said he will propose a formal congressional investigation into the transaction, which he branded a "foul-smelling mess."

The transaction was announced early this month by the Commodity Credit Corporation, an arm of the Agriculture Department. The CCC said it was trading 45,000 bales of cotton for 60,000 tons of Manchurian soybeans through the World Commerce Corp. of New York.

The soybeans will be used by occupation forces in Japan. The Army will pay the CCC for the cotton, which was acquired through price support operations.

Crawford asserted that the officers and financial backers of the World Commerce Corporation "have been for the most part, and still are—closely and intimately connected with the administration and its policy makers."

In New York, the corporation declined comment.

Crawford said Frank T. Ryan

was president of the World Commerce Corp. He did not identify Ryan further. Crawford added that among those financially interested in the firm were Floyd Odium's Atlas Corp.; the Mellon interests of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and the Transamerica Corp.

The late Edward R. Stettinius, former secretary of state, was connected with the World Commerce Corp. and his brother, Howard, is a director, Crawford said.

Other directors, he said, are Maj. Gen. William J. Donovan, wartime chief of the Office of Strategic Services; Joseph J. Grew, former ambassador to Japan; and representative of the financially interested corporations.

Rare Crane Birth Seen

Corpus Christi, Tex.—(AP)—From the way Jo and Crip act you wouldn't think the world's population of whooping cranes would rise from 37 to 38 tomorrow.

Jo and Crip are captive whooping cranes in the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge near Austwell, Tex., and if the egg or eggs Jo laid 32 days ago hatch on schedule tomorrow, the baby crane will be the first raised in captivity.

Because the big beautiful bird is nearly extinct, there is great concern as the big day nears. But today Jo and Crip seemed less concerned as they nonchalantly took turns sitting on the nest.

"The situation is just plain monotonous," said Julian A. Howard, refuge manager. He has had men keeping a continuous watch on the nest from a tower 300 yards away.

Dental Trainees Check Tooth Decay

Wellington, New Zealand—(AP)—Diners at a Wellington restaurant saw a pretty girl put a toothbrush beside her plate. The girl ate her meal. Then she vigorously brushed her teeth and emptied the water into her teacup.

Her girl friend looked embarrassed, smiled, but didn't say anything. The girls were two of 170 dental trainees who are carrying through an experiment. Half will brush their teeth after all food and every drink, except water, for a whole year.

The other 85 will brush their teeth only twice a week—Thursdays and Saturdays. At the end of the year research men hope to be able to say which is better—intensive oral hygiene or casual hygiene.

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CAA Aids Flyers In Naming Station

Washington, May 23—(AP)—Aviators won't have any trouble remembering the call letters of a new high frequency radio beam the Civil Aeronautics Station is setting up in New Mexico.

It will be located at Truth or Consequences, N. M., and the call letters will be "DUZ."

The CAA gave no explanation why those particular letters were chosen.

All the new high frequency beam stations have three call letters instead of the two-letter calls of the low frequency ranges.

Fish Grabbed in Park

Chicago—(AP)—Rudy Seifert ate his lunch in Humbolt Park and then decided to use the lagoon as a finger bowl. He dipped his hands in the water, saw something swimming close to him, grabbed it and pulled it out. It was a 31 pound carp.

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