

Extension Meetings End With Afternoon Conference Today

The annual Extension Agents Conference ended this afternoon after an address by H. C. Sanders, director of the Agricultural Extension Service at Louisiana State University.

Attended by state extension agents, the conference began Thursday morning with the first address given by H. H. Williamson, retired director, Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"Greatest in Nation"
"The Texas Extension Service is the greatest in the nation," Williamson declared, adding, "its greatest achievement is the fostering of the 4-H Club movement."

Williamson served with the Extension Service at A&M from 1911 until 1943.

Other speakers which the conference members heard were Dr. O. B. Jesness, head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of Minnesota; Judge Otha Dent, who is president of the County Judges and Commissioners Association; G. G. Gibson, director of the Texas Extension Service at A&M.

During the conference, county agents saw exhibits of services available to County Extension Agents in Duncan Hall. These exhibits were set up to enable the county agents to be better able to help the man on the farm.

Jolly Elected President
A. B. Jolly, Dallas County, was elected president of the Texas Agriculture Agents Association. Other officers elected were E. B. Emmons, vice-president; and Bredthour, vice-elected secretary.

Emphasizing the importance of

keeping Extension close to farm people, Williamson said, "There is no other group of public servants closer to the farm families than the county Extension agents who might well be called ambassadors to rural America."

The development of better public relations was stressed by both Williamson and Sanders in their speeches.

"There should be three basic planks in our platform on public relations," Sanders said:

- We want everybody to come to realize that agriculture is a great basic industry and that on its perpetuation depends the future of our democracy.

- We want to convince the public that it is to its best interest that agriculture be served by an Extension type organization, established and operated in keeping with the principles of government which enabled us to become a great nation.

- We need to convince the public that this organization of which we are a part is efficiently and effectively doing its job, and that all segments of our economy have a vital stake in its operation."

Board of Directors To Meet Saturday

The June meeting of the board of directors of the A&M System, will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, at the college.

The 1951-52 budgets and the annual report of Pres. M. T. Harrington of A&M, are the principal items on the agenda.

Song Comes True; Clock Stops When Caretaker Dies

Long Beach, Calif., June 29—(AP)—... but it stopped short—never to run again, when the old man died.

These words from a familiar song yesterday were much in the minds of citizens who, for 44 years, have set their watches and gauged their daily lives by the big four-faced clock in the tower of a downtown office building.

Charles E. Hilkey was one of the crewmen who installed the clock, back in 1907. He was assigned to be its keeper. Thereafter Hilkey climbed the steps to the roof twice each week to wind the mechanism by hauling on long cables attached to a drum.

"It will run five and a half days," he often said, "but I wind it twice a week just to make sure."

Hilkey, 70, left Saturday, after assuring himself the clock was in good shape. Sunday night a small piece of metal jammed in the cogs, stopping the clock shortly before 9:30.

At almost the same hour and minute, Hilkey was taken ill and died a few hours later.

Snyder Asks Senate To Boost Tax Bill

Washington, June 29—(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Snyder asked the Senate yesterday to boost the House-approved \$7,200,000,000 tax bill by at least \$3,000,000,000.

This would, among other things, raise everybody's income tax even more than the House bill provides.

Members of the Senate Finance Committee, looked coldly on Snyder's request.

Senator Byrd (D-Va) said the new taxes voted by the House should be lowered, not increased. He expressed belief that \$4,600,000,000 would be enough if the administration would practice economy.

No Future Program
With the Korean war one year old, Taft declared, the administration still hasn't come up with a program looking at least three years ahead.

"How much money are we going to spend? How many more tax bills are we going to have?" Taft said.

The bill passed by the House is the third new tax measure since war broke out in Korea. Snyder didn't say how many more there may be. But he did give a new estimate of government spending in the next fiscal year—\$68,400,000,000. President Truman estimated last January it would reach \$71,600,000,000.

Snyder was the first witness heard by the Senate group as it began a possible six weeks of hearings on tax legislation. Leaders have indicated they want to make a close study of government spending before voting new levies.

The secretary said the tax increase voted by the House would leave the government in the red

and would add to the pressure of inflation.

He said most of the extra \$3,000,000,000 he asked should come from income taxes and excise (sales) taxes.

In addition to the 12 1/2 per cent increase in individual income taxes voted by the House, Snyder proposed a rise of one per cent on point. This would take an additional \$1 of each \$100 in taxable income.

As for excise taxes, Snyder said tax rates should be raised on liquor, tobacco and "a number of consumer durable goods." He mentioned television and radio sets and various electrical appliances as items on which taxes could be raised. The present tax on such appliances is six per cent.

By Associated Press

Texas is booming again as a military training center. But the accent today is on brains, not brawn.

A decade ago, a plaintive chant from foot-sore GI's echoed over the state's hot, sandy plains and dusty hills in World War II.

"Left, left . . . you had a good home but you left . . . left."

It swelled from plodding thousands at the giant infantry training centers at Camp Bowie, Brownwood; Wolters, Mineral Wells; Maxey, Paris; Bliss, El Paso; Swift, Bastrop; Hood, Belton; and from a dozen lesser posts and scores of air fields.

The accent then was on the guy with the gun.

Today—five years after these soldier incubators shut down or went on reduced operations—Texas is bustling as a military training center.

But the training isn't for the rifleman, machine gunner, or tank destroyer.

And the state isn't sending thousands of fledgling flyers hopscoching over its vast area.

The men in training now are jet mechanics, engineers, anti-aircraft gunners, and technicians.

There is still some flying training—and still some infantry. But compared to the 15 camps and 40 air fields that operated in the state in World War II, it's practically nil.

But the soldiers you see in Texas now, for the most part, are trained technicians, or they are training technicians.

Sheppard Air Force Base at Wichita Falls is on a round-the-clock schedule for producing airplane mechanics.

Amarillo Air Force Base expects to have 60,000 future jet mechanics by the first of next year.

Wolters Air Force Base has been named headquarters for the Air Force engineers, and the men in blue at Mineral Wells are learning how to build bases—and defend them.

The Army's intricate anti-air-

**Ray Elected YMCA
Conference Officer**
C. L. Ray, Jr. was recently elected co-chairman of the regional conference of the YMCA, at the annual meeting held at Camp Parthenia, Okla.

Ray is president of the college "Y", and is also co-chairman of the regional council.

**At the Grove
Tonight**
Dancing, Music by the Aggieband
Combo—8 p. m.

Shivers Signs New Election Law To 'Safeguard Purity' at Polls



Receiving a special state-wide recognition award for outstanding work with 4-H Club boys and girls is Mrs. B. M. Harris of Plainview. G. G. Gibson, director of the Extension Service is presenting the award. Mrs. Harris was recognized for the work done in Hale county and as chairman of the State 4-H Committee of Texas Home Demonstration Association. She is the mother of two 4-H members, Patsy and Jack.

Austin, June 29—(AP)—Texas politicians will operate under a new set of rules next year.

Gov. Shivers signed the mammoth election-law recodification bill yesterday. It becomes effective Jan. 1, 1952.

The purpose is stated in the first article of the bill, which says: "The aim in adopting this code is to state in plain language the laws governing the nomination and election of officers and of holding other elections, to simplify, clarify and harmonize the existing laws in regard to parties, suffrage, nominations, and elections, and to safeguard the purity of the ballot-box against error, fraud, mistake and corruption, to the end that the will of the people shall prevail and that true democracy shall not perish from the Lone Star state."

While the Governor endorsed the original bill with its more than 100 changes, he hesitated until the last minute before signing the much-amended final version.

He said his approval hinged on whether he thought the good outweighed the bad.

Crack Down on Fraud
To help the state crack down on election fraud, the statute empowers the Attorney General to investigate elections, impound records and prosecute if he believes a violation exists.

The Attorney General can exercise this prerogative only if the election involves two or more counties. He may prosecute fraud in either the home county or an adjoining county, and in statewide races or one involving a national office.

To prevent possible attempts to influence voters on election day, the new law sets up a \$1,000 fine for anyone making a premature announcement of returns or giving out information before the polls close concerning which candidate is leading or trailing in his precinct.

Quicker Election Returns
Election returns must be reported more rapidly. The election judge is given 60 hours after the polls close to forward written returns to the county judge, who must report to the secretary of state within 48 hours after the results of general and special elections are canvassed.

The secretary of state can send a special messenger to secure returns at the county's expense if they are not filed in Austin within 10 days.

New rules on party procedure are established. One nominates cross-filing of a candidate under more than one political party. The other allows any qualified voter to take part in a party convention.

Opponents said these rules will deal the Democratic party a body blow by wiping out party lines and by allowing Republicans, Dixiecrats or anyone else to take over Democratic conventions.

The examiner said the test had originally been scheduled for Sbis Hall.

'He Jests the Scar' . . . Who N'er Hath Shaved

'The Razor's Edge'--Or Why Males Like Mirrors Less than Women Do

By DAVE COSLETT
Battalion News Staff

There comes a time in every man's life—usually once a day—when he must stand before a mirror and contemplate the face he sees.

Not for the sake of vanity, nor to find some mysterious inner self there reflected does he perform this regular task. Far worse, indeed, he must shave.

It's about time someone paid attention to this male ritual—at least that's what AP columnist Hal Boyle seems to think. This Pulitzer prize winner (he didn't win the prize for this particular undertaking) recently investigated the topic in one of his daily columns.

I would like to add a bit to Mr. Boyle's commentary. I do not claim to be an expert on the subject since I was not blessed—or cursed—with what is known as a "heavy" beard. I can skip the daily ritual every now and then and no one but me and my dog, who has a penchant for licking my face, will be the wiser.

To the subject, though. Mr. Boyle sought out an expert for his information. And this expert, one Otto Kraus who is the top official in the Persona and Pal blade companies, declares that most men don't know how to shave.

To make this criticism constructive, Kraus points out various mistakes and tells how to overcome them. His formula boils down to this:

- Wash your face first "to get oil and dirt out of the skin so the beard stands out."
- Keep the shaving cream wet.
- Use an oblique stroke, not a horizontal one.
- Pull the skin in the opposite direction of your shaving stroke.

- Use at least 150 strokes—there's no glory in under-par shaving.

- Keep looking in the mirror, not at a convenient pin-up picture. Our expert has a formula for women, too. It's simply 1) use your own razor and 2) shave wet, not dry.

As for the women, we won't comment. But on the more familiar male aspects of shaving arise many random thoughts.

In the first place, why shave? It has been suggested that men are given beards to assure the fact that they wash their face at least once each day. This, however, would cast aspersions on our bearded brethren.

Our ancestors quite often neglected the habit. In Shakespeare's day, for instance, the Bard of Avon tended to look on a "fresh reaped" face as a male oddity. Even today, the beard is reserved to only certain members of society. A lumberjack, for instance, is permitted one, supposedly on the grounds that it helps to keep his face warm during cold northern winters.

Elderly gentlemen, too, quite often sport an enviable set of whiskers. Young men with beards, however, are considered in one of three categories—fresh off the front lines, extremely distinguished or just too lazy to shave.

Excluding these exceptions, most people in our own country consider the beard outmoded. The mustache, however, is another thing entirely.

The "cookie-duster" holds a slight bit more popularity than full facial adornment. In fact, any boy reaching the age of 20 who has not tried at least once to raise a mustache has missed part of growing up.

Styles and classes of mustaches

are varied with lighter ones holding precedence over luxuriant growths. Those with twirled and waxed tip ends are rare holdovers from the last century or else part of the stock in trade of a professional stage villain.

The uses are innumerable, too. They provide something with which nervous men can fidget, a good balance for bushy eye-brows, wonderful distraction from over-sized noses and, to men young in face, a sign of maturity.

Some would say they make a man look distinguished and let it go at that.

A close survey of mustaches, however, shows that they are an adornment limited to only certain types of men—those who can grow them and those who have the face to accommodate them.

And every mustache-wearer deserves respect merely on the grounds that he has undergone the ridicule always connected with the infant styles of mustaches.

A scientific survey, incidentally, recently indicated a very important fact about mustaches: they are germ carriers. Most women confronted with this charge, however, still seem to show a definite preference for kissing the lads so adorned—"they tickle."

Accepting the fact that we must shave even if we wear a mustache, we move now to the science itself. Prerequisites are shaving cream, razor, mirror and band aids. In absence of the first two items, a roommate will suffice.

The shaving cream can be either lather or brushless. Experts say they are of equal quality. Of the razors available, the straight-edge is considered vastly superior. In view of most men's ability with this weapon, though, the safety razor is generally recommended.

Some men vouch for the electric razors maintaining that, "after you get used to it, it's wonderful." It does have the decided advantage of cheiving your face away in dainty chunks.

As for the act of shaving, grimaces are an absolute necessity. A careful scrutiny of a man shaving is always good for a laugh except to the man doing the shaving. He dast not survey his face en toto lest he part with a surplus of epidermis.

Humming is the approved diversion for the shaver. And singing and talking can be done in the cheek and chin phases. Since adam's apples and lips are especially vulnerable, though, more care is called for during neck and mouth operations.

Certain accompanying features are usually present at the scene. Someone invariably wants something from the medicine cabinet behind the mirror. Extremely dexterous shavers seldom let this slow them down—and they have the scars to prove it.

And the shaver can usually expect to find the water either scalding or ice-cold. The former is preferable since the first application of the razor numbs the skin to further pain.

The final touch is the after-shaving applications. First comes something to stop the blood. Next comes a patented preparation guaranteed to burn worse than the scalding water. The preparation has to burn, of course, to heighten the sense of coolness once the burning qualities have ebbed.

At least a man can draw one consolation from the ritual. He would have to be brave to do something like that daily. Yet it's hard to explain why all the prophets, supposedly the wisest of men, wore beards.

Fort Hood ROTC Men Total 2,000

Fort Hood, Tex.—(Sp)—Nearly 1,000 college cadets from ten states and Puerto Rico began a six-week Reserve Officer Training Corps Summer camp here yesterday.

The cadets, most of whom will be commissioned as second lieutenants at the end of their college careers, heard Brigadier General Bruce C. Clarke, commander of the First Armored Division and Fort Hood, tell them that the enlisted men of his command "demand good leadership."

'Can't Fool Men'
"You can't fool or bluff them," he continued. "You can't do anything to them. On the other hand, they respond enthusiastically to good leadership."

General Clarke spoke to the cadets in one of Fort Hood's theaters, then began the six-week concentrated laboratory course on military science and tactics.

Under the command of Col. H. L. Boatner, professor of military science and tactics at A&M, the cadets will attend lectures, engage in military operations and simulated tactical problems and watch field demonstrations by regular troops of the First Armored.

Classroom Knowledge Tested
They will learn the technical operation, maintenance, firing and tactical use of the Army's wide range of hand weapons. From now until July 27 they will put to the test the three and four years of classroom instruction they have received.

Instructors for the course are largely officers and non-commissioned officers of the ROTC groups at the institutions represented by the cadets.

**Margaret Sees
Pope; Chats
About Her Trip**

Rome, June 29—(AP)—Margaret Truman chatted with Pope Pius XII about her European vacation trip yesterday.

It was the first meeting in history between a daughter of a United States president and a Pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church.

"He asked me how I liked Italy and then we just talked about my trip," Miss Truman said.

Asked if she knelt before the Pope, Miss Truman diplomatically replied: "Frankly, I don't remember. Whatever I did was the proper thing, I hope."

President Truman is a Baptist; Mrs. Truman and Margaret are Episcopalians.

Miss Truman was veiled and wearing the traditional black for the private audience.

Swing Your Partner



Square-dancing is still quite a hit in College Station as these two enthusiasts can prove. The Grove is the scene of a weekly square-dance party on Saturday nights for all students and local girls.