

Dark-Horse Morgan Wins by a Nose

The Battalion extends sincere congratulations to Dr. David H. (for Hitchens) Morgan, who Saturday was named president of A&M. Dr. Morgan will take office on Sept. 1, when Dr. M. T. Harrington leaves the office of college president to take over duties as chancellor of the A&M System.

Selected by the Battalion in the spring as one of the six outstanding members of the college faculty, Dr. Morgan's appointment as president nevertheless came as somewhat of a surprise to the publication, since his name did not appear among the spring sketches of

prospective candidates for the job.

Although the eight applicants are probably disappointed in being overlooked, there can be no doubt that Dr. Morgan is far more qualified for the position than any among that list.

The Battalion, always a poor loser, grudgingly admits that, since one of its eight candidates was not chosen, Dr. Morgan was the next best choice.

Therefore, we heartily commend the A&M Board of Directors for their selection of Dr. Morgan as the next president.

Buddy Davis Finally Gets His Due

Well, Buddy, you finally got credit for breaking the world high jump record. By all standards of sports competition the record should become your permanent possession, since sports trophies are frequently retired by a three-time winner. And Buddy, you fall right into that category. You had to break the world record three times to get official credit for doing it once.

The first time was in the 1952 Southwest Conference meet in Dallas when you bested the world record, only to have a full inch subtracted from the height because of a faulty take-off apron. Then at this year's National Intercollegiate track meet in Abi-

lene, you again bettered the record, but again the take-off apron was improperly prepared, and the officials once more took five-sixteenths of an inch from your leap.

But Saturday in Dayton, Ohio, you had officials on the scene who realized that they were handling a champion. And Buddy, you did it again. You broke the world record for the third time.

It took a lot of proving to convince the officials that you were the world's best high jumper, but with all your friends at Aggie-land and throughout the Southwest, Buddy, you've always been the champ.

Two New Faculty Members Named to Athletic Council

Two new A&M faculty members are named to the college's Athletic Council and the five previous members were renamed for the coming year by the college board of directors at a meeting here. The board voted to increase faculty representation on the Council by two, giving the Council seven faculty members, two former students and two students.

Dean of Men W. L. Penberthy was renamed Council chairman. Faculty members named for another year include G. W. Schlesselman, head of the Department of Geography; H. C. Dillingham, professor of Electrical Engineering; E. D. Parnell, professor of Poultry Husbandry; and Dean J. P. Abbott of the School of Arts and Sciences.

New faculty members of the Council are Dr. Tyrus R. Timm, head of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Sociology;

and Dr. W. W. Armistead, dean-elect of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Price Campbell of Abilene and James P. (Jake) Hamblen of Houston are the former student members and student members of the Council are E. W. (Bill) Brucks Jr. of Hondo and Dick Harris of San Angelo.

Professor Named To Extension Post

Freeman M. Fuller, Jr., presently employed as an assistant professor in the Department of Entomology at A&M on July 1 will become assistant entomologist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service with headquarters at College Station. The announcement was made Wednesday by Extension Director G. G. Gibson.

Fuller, a native of Alabama, was reared on a farm near Perryville, and is a graduate of Suttle High School. He holds both B. S. and M. S. degrees from Alabama Polytechnic Institute. In 1951 he commenced work at A&M on a Ph. D. degree in entomology and has now completed all course work leading to its presentation.

Fuller, while in college, served as president of his Junior Class as editor of the college Ag magazine, represented his Senior Class on the student council, was listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, and was a high ranked student scholastically.

He served from May, 1943, to July, 1945, in the U. S. Army with four months of service overseas. He is single.

The new specialist has been working in the entomological field since 1948. He is a member of the American Entomological Society and for the present will do work in all phases of entomology. He will work with the county agricultural agents of the state and give assistance in promoting and providing information which they can use in the county programs.

The Battalion

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions
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Eleven 4H Clubs In Land Judging Meet Near Benchley

Eleven 4H Club teams, all district winners, participated in a state 4H Club and judging contest Thursday morning. The meet, sponsored by the Extension 4H Program, was held on the farm of C. Seale near Benchley, Brazos County.

Paul G. Haines, state soil and water conservationist, of the Extension Service was in charge of the judging.

Members of the winning team were Herman Phillips, Raymond Mittel, and Jimmy Whitton, all of Schleicher County. Teams placing were Schleicher County, first, with 343 points; Lampasas County, second, with 342 points; Gray County, third, with 341 points; Runnels County, fourth with 340 points.

High point man of the meet was Michael Price of Gray County, with an individual score of 125 points. Winners will be presented with medals by the Extension Service.

The judging consisted of two phases. First, contestants recorded information about the top soil, subsoil depth, slope, erosion, and drainage. This was done to determine how the land should be used.

The second phase was determining the treatment needed on the field for conserving the soil. Recommendations included such techniques as terracing, farming on the contour, diversion terraces, and other conservation practices. The analysis and recommendations were made on each of three fields, allowing 30 minutes for each field.

Points were awarded for each decision made by a contestant. Possible maximum score was 150 points. Scores for individual team members were added to get the team total.

The purpose of the land judging contests is to teach fundamentals of soil conservation. 4H members learn conservation practices which can be applied on land they operate. At the same time they can enjoy friendly rivalry and competition.

Land judging has been sponsored only recently in Texas, having been adopted about two years ago from similar 4H events held in Oklahoma, according to J. F. Mills, Instructor of Agronomy. Mills cooperates in the program, and this year the Agronomy 418 Class taught by him participated unofficially in the competition.

TCU And A&M Set Joint Degree Plan

A joint degree-awarding program between Texas A&M College and Texas Christian University was approved Saturday by the Board of Directors for the Texas A&M College System.

Under the program, students at TCU may take special courses and programs for three years, then transfer to the School of Engineering at A&M College for two years and a summer session.

Those who successfully complete the program would receive the bachelor of arts degree from TCU and the bachelor of science degree in one of the eight fields from A&M.

These fields include aeronautical, chemical, civil, electrical, geological, industrial, mechanical and petroleum engineering.

In announcing the joint program, Dean H. W. Barlow, School of Engineering at A&M College, said, "engineers are being chosen in increasing numbers to assume positions of leadership in the management of American industry and business.

"Desirable preparation for such a career includes education in the humanities and the liberal arts, as well as in the technical and professional aspects of engineering.

"For those young men who contemplate such careers, and who wish to secure this liberal education prior to entering upon their professional study, the plan set forth in the joint program presents an ideal arrangement.

"The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas is pleased to join with the Texas Christian University in making such an arrangement available."

Warm-up Chores

Curtis Boase, senior agriculture education major, works four hours before attending classes every morning.

Boase works at the wind tunnel at Easterwood Airport every day from 4:30 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. His job is measuring the effects of spray material applied by dusting aircraft and the amount of spray that is applied. This data is recorded so that the result of each application may be studied and to determine best application methods, said Boase.



41 A&M Cadets Begin Training at Fort Bliss

Forty-one A&M ROTC cadets arrived at Fort Bliss, Texas, June 20, to begin training at the Anti-aircraft Artillery ROTC Summer Camp.

The A&M men will be among 1,600 cadets to train during the six-week encampment at the West Texas Army Post. Sixty-three colleges and universities in the continental United States and Puerto Rico are sending men to the summer encampment.

Cadet Writes

Places Can Be Worse Than Here

By ED STERN
Camp Correspondent

There just ain't no place like Texas! If all you think it's rough going to summer school, I know about 50 Aggies up here in Aberdeen, Md., who would gladly trade places with you tonight.

We have been here at the Ordinance Proving Grounds only three days and already it seems like a week, net, yet, anyways, as our yankee friends would say. There are about 1,800 men here from all over the United States—the largest group ever to attend the Ordinance Summer Camp.

And another thing. Your reporter certainly does appreciate the fact that we wear our uniform every day. The sloppiest man on our campus looks like a king compared to some of the men here from civilian colleges.

We began processing immediately upon arrival here June 20. By the next day almost all of us had completed. This wonderful Aberdeen climate doesn't help things either. College Station's humidity is sheer bliss compared with it.

Our day begins at 0505 eastern daylight time. We've done a day's work by the time you guys are struggling out of the sack to make seven o'clock class. By 1100 we are plenty beat. But that's what we are here for—to learn, and we're getting plenty of it.

The Aggies had just hit Aberdeen already, onct (those yankees grow on you) and they got their picture taken. A bus was bringing a group of us from the depot when we were stopped by a major who welcomed us to camp. He asked if any of the group had a college pennant on their luggage. Naturally the Aggies did. So, with a flourish one of us got off the bus, shook the major's hand, and had our pictures taken.

Until next time, I'll sign "30" with this—as the hired hand said to the farmer when awakened at 0505. "Man, you shore can spend the night fast here."

Dougger Named To Full-Time Post

Roy W. Dougger, part-time teacher in the Agriculture Education Department, has been named as full-time teacher effective July 1, according to information received from Henry Ross, professor of Agriculture Education.

He plans to attend Oklahoma A&M during the 1954 Spring session and do work on a Ph.D. in agriculture education. Dougger was named as part-time teacher at A&M in June, 1949.

Aggie-Ex Wounded

Second Lt. Jack W. Birkner of Bay City was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received while serving as a platoon leader with the 7th Infantry Division in Korea.

A&M System Budget Passes \$29 Million

Budgets totalling \$29,000,000 for the fiscal year adopted for the colleges of the Texas A&M System by the System directors, meeting in Austin, Texas, June 23, 1953. This is an increase over the budget for 1952, which was \$27,000,000. Greater part went to salaries.

Included in Saturday budgets for the A&M System are the State College, Prairie View, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and Predatory and Extension Service, Texas Engineering Experiment Station, Extension Service Training School and Forest Service. Last year's budget was \$27,000,000.

The A&M System received a \$1,000,000 increase among the all score of 173.36.

Budgets include a total of \$1,000,000 from state, federal, and other funds, as well as \$1,000,000 for student fees, operating expenses, and dining hall.

The sale of farmland was \$1,000,000. Acts raised in expenses was \$1,000,000. Demonstration work was \$1,000,000. Appropriation to this made \$1,000,000. This period was \$1,000,000 for the

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