

Seniors Hear Rule On Transfer Boots

The senior class learned last night that it has no right to keep transfer students who have not spent three semesters in the cadet corps from wearing senior boots. Traditions committee chairman Jimmy Tyree told seniors, gathered in the MSC Ballroom, that Col. Joe E. Davis, commandant, said the class can not prescribe the Aggie uniform.

At its last meeting the class voted that transfer students must have spent one semester as a freshman, sophomore and junior in the cadet corps before they can wear boots. Tyree quoted Davis as saying that he did not think the one semester rule would go into effect. He reported that Davis said transfer students would take corps privileges based on their academic standing.

Campus Functions

Tyree said the traditions committee had decided not to do away with corsages at campus functions. At the last meeting the class proposed a motion to stop giving corsages to dates at school activities. The purpose was to lower expenses for entertaining a girl at A&M. The motion was referred to the traditions committee for further study.

The committee decided to keep corsages because the floral con-

cession uses the money for its activities and to finance two scholarships, Tyree said.

Senior class president Pat Wood named five men to a special committee to evaluate the senior class. They are to find out if the class is performing its right duties and suggest improvements, if needed, in its operation.

Committee members are Marvin Ford, Jerry Rainey, Leland Smith, Hollie Briscoe and Al Gist. The senior class check-up is part of the self evaluation project being conducted throughout the A&M system.

The senior class also:

- Killed a motion to have a former student serve as its advisor. The man would have been selected from the college faculty or staff. His main job would have been to help in the senior class evaluation.
- Killed a motion to stop units from carrying guidons to midnight. (See SENIOR CLASS, Page 2)



SPEAKS HERE—Col. Strom Thurmond, vice president for army affairs of the Reserve Officers association, and States Rights presidential candidate in 1948, spoke today in Guion Hall on the importance of reserve officers in today's world.

POLL WILL DETERMINE FATE OF SEATING PLAN

Robertson Hit by Car; Doing Fine

Ledford H. (Dickie) Robertson was "doing fine" this morning at the college hospital and is still under observation. He was hit by a car at the north gate Sunday night.

The accident occurred about 7:15 p.m. Paul E. Harrison, driver of the car which hit Robertson, was coming from a show in town with Herbert Helm.

Another occupant of the car was George Camamis, who was hitchhiking in Bryan and caught a ride with Harrison. Harold Wiedmann and Gary Hendricks arrived immediately after Robertson was hit, and helped administer first aid to him.

The college hospital's emergency car arrived about 15 minutes after the accident and carried Robertson to the hospital.

Harrison said he was moving slowly since he was going to stop for the light at the intersection and turn right.

He said he just got a glance at Robertson who was stepping from behind a car. "I didn't think I even hit him. I didn't hear anything." But he said he stopped immediately because he wasn't sure.

Robertson is a sophomore from Benavides, and in battery L of the field artillery.

Errol Flynn Movie Shows Tonight

"The Charge of the Light Brigade," starring Errol Flynn, will be shown at 7:30 tonight in the Memorial Student Center ballroom.

This is the second presentation of the A&M Film society. Season tickets are on sale at the main desk of the MSC and at the Student Activities office in Goodwin hall. They are one dollar.

Non-Reg Senators Poll Students This Week

By JERRY BENNETT
Battalion Co-Editor

A new move to help solve the Kyle Field seating problem was taking shape today which might abolish separating non-military students by academic classification in their stadium seating section.

Student Senator S. J. Smith, seating committee chairman, announced he would start a poll among non-military students to determine if they want to keep their section divided according to academic standing.

Student senators representing non-military students would conduct the poll. Smith wants the poll completed by 5 p.m. Friday.

If non-military students vote against segregation, they will be allowed to sit anywhere they wish in their section.

Under this year's Kyle field seating plan, non-military students are separated like the cadets. Each class has certain rows in the non-military section where it can sit. These students are separated from the cadet corps which has a section of its own.

Smith's action developed after non-military students complained about the seating arrangement. Some thought that they should not be told where to sit in their section. Others believed that students enrolled here the longest should get the best seats.

They claimed that underclassmen were sitting in upperclassmen's seats. Students have bitterly argued the problem throughout the campus and in The Battalion's Letters to the Editor column.

Smith explained the seating arrangement was made for two reasons. The main purpose was to give the non-military students a place of their own to sit during the football games. No non-students or cadets would be allowed in this section.

Best Seats

The other purpose was to divide seating according to the students' academic classification so that the upperclassmen would get the best seats. Smith said the seating committee thought most non-military students would favor segregation.

Seating cards were given to these students. Their purpose was to distinguish a student from a non-student. Anyone not wearing a card could not sit in that section. The cards also showed on which rows each class would sit.

Smith said that cards would still be used to separate students from non-students if the class barriers are removed.

The cards would help the committee determine how much seating space non-military students should have, Smith said. He explained the committee could now only guess on how many seats to give them, Smith explained.

"Understand that I am making no apologies for the actions of the student senate or its committee on seating," Smith said. "We acted, we thought, as the majority of students concerned would have wanted us to act. If the poll proves that we were wrong, they will make new plans," he said.

Smith outlined the following points which favor doing away with a segregated section:

Not Guaranteed

Non-military freshmen and sophomores are not guaranteed better seats in the future. Non-military students have a different seating arrangement each year.

Separation by academic classification has its problems. Some students have returned to A&M after leaving school for several semesters. They may be sophomores. But the students they enrolled with are now seniors. They want to sit with their old friends. But they can't. Under the academic classification rule, they must sit with the sophomores.

The present rule actually does not give the best seats to students (See NON-MILITARY, Page 2)

Pengelly Is Now Ship-Board Editor

Allen Pengelly, former A & M journalism major, is now editor of the "Champ" a weekly publication on the aircraft carrier USS Lake Champlain.

A junior from Houston, he was employed during the summer by the Tyler Courier - Times before entering the service.

The "Champ" is a four-page tabloid newspaper published aboard ship by the lithographic process.

Information Center Dedication Friday

Formal dedication of the Agriculture Information center Friday afternoon ended the three-day annual staff conference of the Agriculture Experiment station and opened a new era in Texas agriculture.

About 200 persons attended the open house, which was tape recorded by KPRC of Houston. Guests included agriculture editors from nearly every major newspaper in Texas.

Chancellor M. T. Harrington said the opening of the Agriculture Information center would bring information developed by the A&M System closer to Texas farmers. He was the principal speaker at the dedication ceremony.

Eliminating two separate offices, the center makes it possible to do all gathering, printing and mailing of agricultural information under one roof.

Information from the center is sent to 500 weekly newspapers and

100 daily newspapers in Texas, 80 farm publications over the nation, all wire services, commercial companies, two firms in New York City where the news is translated for use in South America; and releases have been quoted in the French Press Service.

The center was remodeled from the old horse barns at a cost of \$64,000. It houses both the editorial offices of the Agriculture Experiment station and the Agriculture Extension service.

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From Horses To Lizards

Mud, Cold Discourage Crowd at CHS Pet Show

By JON KINSLOW
Battalion City Editor

The things that could have really won prizes at the A&M Consolidated school's dog and pet show last night were polar bears and ducks.

One-hundred and eighty seven pets paraded in 57-degree weather over the muddy turf of Tiger field. Wet feet and shivering people were a common sight at the show, sponsored by the Mom and Dads club.

More than 1,400 tickets were sold, but there were only about 1,000 people at the show, said Nelson Durst, business manager. No official count of tickets was made, although numbered programs were distributed at the gate.

The program numbers were used for a grand-prize drawing. Mrs. Ed Ivy won the prize, a pressure

cooker donated by Sorenson Hardware.

Durst said more than \$285 was collected from the sale of tickets. Adult tickets were 25 cents and children's tickets were 10 cents. A concession stand was also open.

Candy, made by the mothers, was sold during the show and the remainder later auctioned off.

The field was so wet that anyone using the public address system had to wear a rubber glove to avoid being shocked. During the candy auction, the auctioneer accidentally touched the microphone with his lip. The auction was momentarily halted.

Among the unusual pets were a snake, lizards, tropical fish, a ground squirrel and a young alligator.

None of the pets were lost during the show, but one small boy waited 30 minutes until his mother found him.

Prizes were awarded in 13 classes of animals. Don Vestal, ringmaster, said, "I just don't see how you can judge lizards against birds."

The winners in each class are as follows:

Dogs: pure-bred, large short-haired: Janet Davids, first; Judy and Julie Cole, second; Thomas Moore, third; Susan Caudill, fourth. Pure-bred, large, long-haired: J. Pewthers, first; Merrill Dumont jr., second; Jack Fugate, third; Winston Cummings, fourth. Pure-bred, small, long-haired: Karen Crawford, first; Mike Bloom, second; Susan Stevenson, third; June Beard, fourth.

Pure-bred, small, short-haired: Tommy and Diana Bertrand, first; Ricky Jo Daniels, second; Anna Kristine Craig, third; Jerry Holland, fourth.

Heinz Variety Winners

Heinz variety, large, long-haired: Pat Thompson, first; Darnell Cunningham, second; Roy Collins, third; John V. Perry III, fourth.

Heinz variety, large, short-haired: Bill Jones, first (unopposed).

Heinz variety, small, long-haired: D. K. Pewthers, first; Merle Murehead, second; David Murphy, third; Scotty Manning, fourth.

Heinz variety, small, short-haired: John Berry, first; Tommy Lett, second; Joe White, third; Fred Brison, fourth.

Cats: Lynn Ann Morris, first; Neeia K. Varner, second; Charmaine Meier, third; Sara K. Wright, fourth.

Rabbits and Miscellaneous

Rabbits: Kathleen Vestal, first; Judy Hord, second; Ann Avera, third; Don Avera, fourth.

Miscellaneous: Winona Garret, Mary Francis Badgett, Harvey Falls, Robert DuBose, David Kent, Marion Harris, Howard Mitchell, David Gay, Tom Moore, Bob White, Gene and Kathy Sperry, Suzanne Medlen, Earnest Brown, Janet Berry, Duke Butler, tie for first.

Pets over 100 pounds: Johnie Smith and Ida Lou Felty, tie for first; Sue Bernard and Diane Parsons, tie for second; David Smith, Dorothy and Harry McCluky, tie for third; Roy LaMotte and Jud Rogers, tie for fourth.

Special tricks: Ida Lou Dunn, first.

division of the Engineering Extension service, is now conducting a basic fire training school for 20 men in Pasadena. The month training period began Oct. 19.

THE ACTIVITIES and programs of the Engineering Extension service were discussed by E. L. Williams, vice-director, at a meeting of the Brazos county chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers. The group consists of college engineering instructors and practicing engineers.

THE MEDICAL COLLEGE admission test will now be held at College Station instead of Waco as originally planned. The test will be Nov. 2, and the tickets to take the test in Waco will be good here.

DR. JOHN M. SKRIVANEK, professor of modern languages, has been invited by the Armed Forces Institute to serve on a panel for the selection of beginning Russian text books. Dr. Skrivanek teaches Russian and Czech here.

DR. J. R. JOHNSTON, assistant director of the Agriculture Experiment Station, and E. C. Brown of the agriculture engineering department are representing A&M at the Cotton Mechanization conference in Gadsden, Ala., Oct. 28-30.

News Briefs

Sciences building Thursday. The talk is open to the public.

FORTY DIRECTORS of the American Brahman Breeders association held their quarterly meeting Monday in the MSC. Included on the program were reports from two projects of the association in which the A&M system is participating.

HENRY D. SMITH, field instructor for the fireman training

AF Contract Checks Due 'Any Day'

Air Force ROTC contract checks for the month of September are expected any day.

The air force has adopted a quarterly pay system based upon a fiscal year beginning in January, said Capt. J. N. Hoffman, air force ROTC adjutant.

Formerly the pay system was based upon the school year which begins in September.

To make this new change, a check will be received for September. The next check will be issued in January.

Kirchner Wins Best Cowboy In Aggie Rodeo

Ray Kirchner won best all-around cowboy at the All-Aggie rodeo this weekend.

Charlie Brouse and Lowie Rice were second and third in the best cowboy scoring.

Winners in each division were as follows: Bobby Rankin, bare back bronc riding; Virgil Patrick, tie-down calf roping; Kirchner, ribbon roping.

Sissy Thurman, Donna Faye Hinson and Nathalie Kendrick were top contenders in the girls' barrel race.

In spite of the bad weather, 1,800 persons attended the two performances of the rodeo.

The \$200 profit will be used to pay expenses of A&M judging teams.

Dr. Ralph Hirzel and Dr. Jan Bonsma, animal husbandry workers from the Union of South Africa, were guests of the college for the rodeo, which was sponsored by the Aggie Rodeo club and the Saddle and Siroin club.

Fairbanks Boy Killed Near Bryan

A 7-year-old Negro boy, Emmett Paley of Fairbanks, was killed about 7:45 p.m. Sunday, when hit by an automobile one mile north of Bryan on highway 6.

The boy was dead on arrival at Bryan hospital. The car was driven by a serviceman's wife who was on her way to Waco from Highlands.

Investigating authorities said that the Paley car had stalled. They were attempting to push it off the highway. The boy ran from behind the car into the line of oncoming traffic.

Non-Reg Senator Filing Now Open

Filing opened yesterday for non-military student senator from dormitory 5. Friday is the deadline for the filing, which can be done in the Student Activities office, Goodwin hall.

The election will be Tuesday, Nov. 3, in the dormitory 5 lounge. Students must have sophomore classification, with a grade point ratio of 1.00 or more to be eligible.

Senators must be willing to serve for two semesters.

Fish Drill Team Selects Members

Thirty-nine first year cadets have been chosen for the Freshman Drill team.

An elimination left 39 cadets out of the 170 who reported for the initial tryouts last week.

A commander has not been chosen for the group yet.

He will be selected for his ability in commanding, bearing, command voice and posture, said Capt. J. C. Brusse, sponsor of the team.

WILLIAM McCULLEY, mathematics department, will speak on "How You Can Use Dianetics" to the floriculture and landscape architecture society Nov. 3.

THE UNION CARBIDE and Carbon corporation is sponsoring a senior technical scholarship program here. The college will select the winner of the scholarship. It will cover tuition for a full year, plus \$200 for books and fees.

GRANT A. MORRISON, senior agriculture education major from Mercedes, was operated on for an emergency appendectomy Saturday morning in Bryan hospital. His condition is good and he should be back at school in two weeks, according to the doctors.

THE ACCIDENT Prevention committee will meet at 4 p. m. Tuesday in the YMCA to report on last year's work and to discuss plans for this year.

RESEARCH in the aircraft industry will be discussed by Charles Rutledge, staff engineer for the Boeing airplane company, in the lecture room of the Biological