

# Student Factions Need Perspective

The non-regs are organizing politically to try to get more voice in A&M's student government. They say that non-regs have not had proportionate representation in student life here.

This could be a good thing, in that it will probably get more voters to the polls and may get the non-regs deserved positions in student life.

But it could be a bad thing, if the non-regs become so highly organized that they, as a minority, control student elections.

Let's look at the situation:

On the student senate, non-regs have representation in proportion to their number, just as the states are represented in the House of Representatives. Non-regs have nothing to gain here.

The organized non-reg group is obviously pointing toward the class elections, coming up next Tuesday. Since most non-regs are either juniors or seniors, they will want more voice in these two classes. This is just. They should have a voice in the activities of these classes. Non-regs say that in the past, corps students at these meetings have attempted to railroad through things which would be detrimental to the non-regs.

But, in the meetings this year of the senior and junior classes, only a handful of non-regs have attended. If they are interested in their rights, why don't they defend them at these meetings? The class meetings are open to non-regs.

It is good that the non-regs are going to try to get more of a say-so in student government, but they should also take advantage of the facilities for expression they already have.

To be a leader in government, a man must be active in all phases of government. Government begins with the voice from the floor.

On the part of the corps students there is an attitude among many cadets that the non-regs are a "necessary evil"—they have to be here because this is a state school, but they aren't really a part of A&M life.

Many non-regs have accepted this attitude. They have lapsed into oblivion, not taking part in any student life functions.

Both groups seem to have forgotten the basic concept: all A&M students are Aggies, together.

## Nark, Palmer Will Compete In IAS Contest

Ted C. Nark, from Corpus Christi and G. Dan Palmer, from Amarillo will compete in the student technical paper competition sponsored by the Southwestern section of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences.

They will compete in Dallas with students from colleges throughout the Southwest April 21-24.

Palmer will enter the graduate competition with a technical paper on "Nuclear Shielding of Aircraft."

Nark will compete in the undergraduate division with his technical paper on "Survey of Metallic Creep."

The winning presentation in each division will receive \$300. Second and third places will get \$200 and \$100.

Palmer's and Nark's papers were selected to represent A&M from competition held by the aeronautical engineering department.

Last year John Firebaugh won third place for A&M in the undergraduate division of the IAS meet.

It is almost impossible to swim in the Dead Sea because arms and legs protrude from the thick, oily water.

## Dabney Wins First In Design Contest

Robert L. Dabney, junior architecture major from Dallas, won first place in a design contest held here recently.

The problem was to design a house for Mr. and Mrs. Keith Langford of Houston.

Langford is the son of Ernest Langford, head of the architecture department.

Second place winner was William H. Anderson of Houston, and third place went to Gary G. Bourgeois of College Station. Receiving honorable mention were: Joe Bob Walker, and Walter F. Bell.

The awards were \$25 for first place, \$15 for second place, and \$10 for third place.

The contest was judged by staff members of the architecture department.

### INEXPENSIVE FIRE

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP)—Although firefighters poured on water for five hours to control a recent blaze, it was one of the least expensive in recent history. The smoldering flames were in a freight carload of sawdust at a siding.

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## The Battalion

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## Driver Didn't Get Ticket, Instead He Got A Wife!

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 31—(AP)—Sgt. Leonard Schmidt's automobile overturned near here on the morning of March 18. And he might have bled to death from severe lacerations except for Mrs. Donna Davis.

The 28-year-old widow, on her way to work in the Federal Building was the first person to reach the scene. She applied first aid to stop the flow of blood and accompanied the 33-year-old Air Force sergeant to the hospital.

After he was transferred to the nearby Seawart base hospital, Mrs. Davis visited him and brought flowers. She told him she had taken

her first aid test the night before the accident, and had passed with a perfect score.

"It was love at the beginning for me," Sgt. Schmidt said today. "I knew I was in love," the comely brunette smiled.

They'll be married Friday night.

## What's Cooking

WEDNESDAY

5:30 p. m.—Pre-Med, Pre-Den club meeting, in front of the main door, MSC. Club picture will be taken, all members be there.

THURSDAY

5 p. m.—Pre-Med, Pre-Den society meeting, room 107, Biological Science building. Call meeting concerning lecture of Dr. Alexander, of St. Louis University of Medicine.

7 p. m.—Kawfman county club meeting, reading room, YMCA.

Runnels county hometown club meeting, room 206, Academic building.

7:15 p. m.—Houston A&M club meeting, room 301, Goodwin hall. Discussion of Easter dance.

East Texas A&M club meeting, room 227, Academic building. Easter party plans.

## IE Seniors Set Inspection Trip

Industrial engineering seniors will have their annual inspection trip to plants and industries in the Dallas—Grand Prairie—Ft. Worth area April 12, 13 and 14.

A. R. Burgess, head of the industrial engineering department, will accompany the seniors on the trip.

## Rodeo To Have 20 Colleges Represented

Twenty Colleges and universities will be represented here in the fifth annual intercollegiate Rodeo Thursday, Friday and Saturday sponsored by the Rodeo club.

A cutting horse contest, approved by the National Cutting Horse association, will be held this year for the first time. Other events are bareback and saddle bronc riding, Brahma bull riding, bulldogging, and ribbon and tie down roping. Girl's events are barrel racing and goat tying.

Rodeo stock producer will be Duke Gibbs of the Triangle Bell ranch at Belton. Judges for the cutting horse contest will be Leon Locke of Hungerford and Floy Saxon of College Station. All other events will be judged by Johnny Bowen and Johnny Mellon, both of Belton. Rodeo announcer will be Blake McClellan, radio farm director for station KONO in San Antonio.

## Vet Fraternity Sets Initiation April 1

The Eta chapter of Phi Zeta, scholarship and research fraternity for the veterinary profession, will hold its annual initiation and banquet at 6:45 p.m. Thursday at Maggie Parker's dining room in Bryan.

The speaker will be Dr. W. W. Armistead, dean of veterinary medicine. The invocation will be given by the Rev. Orin G. Helvey, pastor of St. Andrews Episcopal church.

New members to be initiated are William Henry Smith and Lloyd Melvin Reedy from the veterinary class of 1954, and Tommy Foy Abbott, Edward Leland Ticken, Richard Wayne Moore, Billy Ray Westbrook, Jerry James Hoke and Ralph Weir George from the veterinary class of 1955.

Chapter officers are Dr. John H. Milliff, president; Everett D. Besch, vice president; and E. W. Brucks Jr., secretary-treasurer. Other members of the Eta chapter are Dr. I. B. Boughton, Dr. R. W. Burns, Dr. J. P. Delaplaine, Dr. R. C. Dunn, Dr. L. W. Gibbs, Dr. F. P. Jaggie Jr., Dr. A. A. Lenert, Dr. R. J. Beamer.

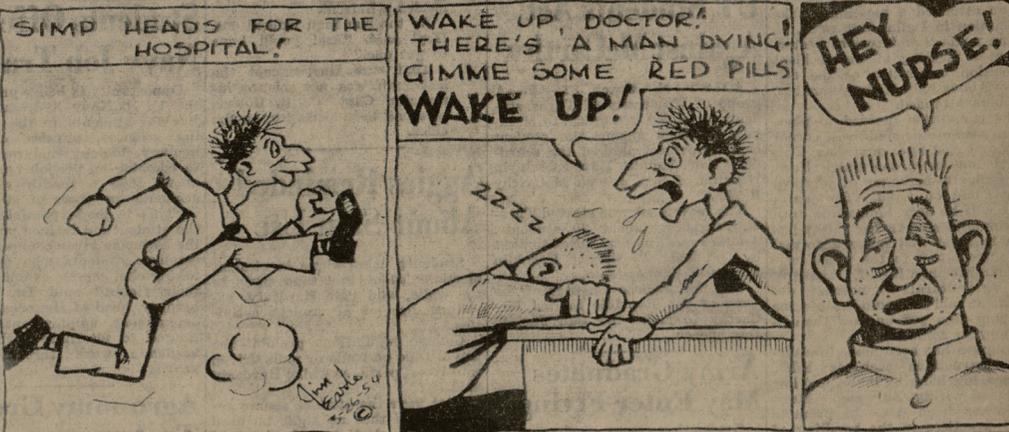
Dr. A. A. Price, Dr. Hubert Schmidt, Dr. H. A. Smith, Dr. R. D. Turk, Dr. F. K. Wills and N. P. Clarke, J. G. Fish and L. N. Springer from the veterinary class of 1954.



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