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AWARD WINNERS—Battalion award winners line up to stare at the Battalion photographer. They are (left to right) D. D. Burchard, Mrs. Alice Jobe, Carl Jobe, W. H. Delaplaine, Austin Kerley and Tom Puddy. Frank Anderson, the other award winner, was not presented.

End of Segregation Nears With Supreme Court Ruling

Based on AP Reports

The Supreme Court ruling yesterday which declared segregation of Negro and white students in public schools is unconstitutional may require many months before it is put into effect.

Unanimously passed by the nine members of the court, the opinion declared:

"We conclude that in the field of public education the doctrine of separate but equal (sic) has no place. Separate educational facilities are inherently unequal.

"Therefore, we hold that the plaintiffs (Negro parents) and other similarly situated for whom the action has been brought are, by reason of the segregation complained of, deprived of the equal protection of the laws guaranteed by the 14th Amendment.

"This disposition makes unnecessary any discussion whether such segregation also violates the due process clause of the 14th Amendment."

The 14th Amendment, adopted after the Civil War, says no state may deny any person due process and equal protection of the law, nor abridge their privileges or immunities.

Local Reactions Realistic

Local reaction to the court ruling followed a cautious but realistic pattern.

David H. Morgan, college president, said, "I administer the policies handed down by the Board of Directors. Any statement on the Supreme Court ruling should come from the chancellor, who has control of both the white and Negro colleges of the System."

The chancellor could not be reached for comment.

W. W. Armistead, dean of the

School of Veterinary Medicine, was contacted because of the unique position his school holds in the state. "Our policy has always been to accept any student the registrar accepts," he said.

Les Richardson, superintendent of A&M Consolidated schools, said the adjustment could easily be made. "This is because so many of our people are originally from the north. Our school people have looked for this a long time," Richardson said.

W. A. Tarrow, principal of the Lincoln Negro High school, said an early comment was hard to make. "I have always thought that we would have better race relations without a court ruling. Of course, I am in favor of equal opportunity for our Negroes."

Comment throughout the state

Firemen School Starts 25th Year

The 25th annual Firemen training school will be held here July 11 through 16.

They will mark the silver anniversary of the school with the most elaborate fire fighting displays since the 40 hour course was started.

At Press Banquet

Six Get Battalion Awards

The Battalion presented its annual appreciation awards to faculty and staff members at the Press club banquet Friday.

Recipients of the awards were Carl Jobe, assistant manager of student publications; Tom Puddy, Guion hall manager; Frank Anderson, track coach; Walter Delaplaine, dean of arts and sciences; D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department; and Austin Kerley, Basic Division counselor.

J. Frank Dobie, noted Southwestern author, spoke at the banquet. Editors of the six student publications were presented watches, and staff members of the publications were given keys.

The editors are Everett Besch, Southwest Veterinarian; Ed Stern, Agriculturist; Jack Garrett, Engineer; Bob Hendry, Commentator; B. C. (Dutch) Dutcher and Allan (Bootsie) Hohl, Aggieland; and Harri Baker and Bob Boriskie, Battalion. Baker and Boriskie were given desk fountain pen sets instead of watches.

Student publications staff members also gave watches to Ed Hold-

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Sportsmanship Committee Changes Voting

The Southwest Conference Sportsmanship committee decided Saturday to change the method of voting for the annual Sportsmanship trophy.

The committee also set the date of Sportsmanship day next year as Oct. 23. Sportsmanship week will be the week immediately preceding it.

A&M representatives to the meeting were Jerry Ramsey, next year's student senate president; Glenn Langford, next year's head yell leader; Bob Boriskie and Harri Baker, Battalion co-editors; and George Manitzas, who will be executive secretary of the committee next year. Baker has been executive secretary for two years.

The new voting method, proposed by Will Davis, president of the Baylor student body, will have the more than 60 voters for the annual trophy rate each of the seven conference schools on specific points of sportsmanship.

In the past voters have listed their opinion of the three best schools in general sportsmanship. "The new method will help each school determine in which facet of sportsmanship they are lacking," Baker said.

The Sportsmanship trophy is awarded annually at the Cotton Bowl game.

The conference-wide sportsmanship day, set for Oct. 23, is designed to emphasize and publicize the work of the Sportsmanship committee. A&M will play Baylor that day.

No Statement Yet On Contract Status

Asked yesterday about the contract status of the three seniors charged with use of the board, Col. Shelley P. Myers, PMS&T, said, "I have no statement to make at this time."

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Fourteen Members Assessed Penalties

A group calling itself the "spokesman" for the TT's, a secret fraternity, told President David H. Morgan today that they would give him all information on the organization in an effort to "clear the TT's for all time."

Fourteen student members of the group were convicted and assessed penalties yesterday on charges of being members of the group by a reviewing board consisting of one faculty member from each undergraduate school, the commandant, and the dean of men.

A three-man committee did the investigating. Both groups were appointed by the president. Six more students were to be reviewed today.

Abbott Says Dead Week Doesn't Exist

"There is no such thing as a dead week," said J. P. Abbott, dean of the college.

In 1948 the Academic council requested that no quizzes be given during the last regular class period. From this request it seems the term "dead week" came into being, he said.

"It is a well established custom that no major quizzes be given unless failure to do so would seriously disrupt the schedule of a given course," Abbott added.

The special committee which was appointed by the president of the college to study the final examination system may, however, consider the advisability of having a "dead week," Abbott said.

Nuclear Course Will Be Offered

Students who are interested in taking a course in nuclear engineering are asked to contact the chemical engineering department on the third floor of the petroleum-geology building.

The course, chemical engineering 447, carries three hours credit. It will be taught by Dr. R. V. Andrews who has had much experience and training in nuclear energy.

Andrews spent 18 months at the Hanford Plant of the General Electric company in Richland, Wash., working in the research and design and construction divisions.

"The course makes no attempt to develop highly trained specialists in nuclear physics; instead, it tries to give engineers a background in the fundamentals of nuclear engineering and to show them how the various engineering fields are modified by the nuclear phenomena," Andrews said.

Commencement Will Honor 820 Students

Eight hundred and twenty students will receive degrees May 21 in the G. Rollie White Coliseum.

W. W. Lynch, '22, president of the Texas Power and Light company of Dallas, will deliver the commencement address.

The processional will start at 7:30 p. m. Invocation will be given by Gene H. Hirschfeldt, president of the A&M YMCA cabinet.

Greetings will be given by Dr. David H. Morgan, president of the college, and Lynch's address will follow.

Dr. J. P. Abbott, dean of the college, will present the valedictorian of the class, Ide P. Trotter, jr. Morgan will present the degrees.

Trotter, corps chaplain, will give the benediction and Howard B. Curtis will play the organ for the recessional.

Dr. Gaston Foote, pastor at the First Methodist church of Fort Worth, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 10 a. m.

Commissioning exercises for the cadet corps will be at 1 p. m. and the president's reception from 3 to 5 p. m.

Miss Bradley Gets Miss Rue Pinalle

Miss Shirley (Bootie) Bradley, Texas State College for Women freshman was chosen Friday night Miss Rue Pinalle for 1954.

Daughter of Maj. and Mrs. C. H. Bradley, Hamilton AFB, Calif., she also was a queen in the TSCW Redbud festival. Bill Wiseman, Dumas senior, was her escort Friday night.

Runner-ups were Miss Gracie Smith, escorted by Casbeer Snell; Miss Jan Barker, escorted by Sydney Fulgham; Miss Kay Webb, escorted by Bill Ard; and Miss Barbara Walston, escorted by Buzzy Kennedy.

Miss Bradley was presented a stuffed French poodle and runner ups received Aggie garters. Bill Kalil, manager of the Rue Pinalle, made the presentations.

Holdredge Elected New ASEE Chairman

E. S. Holdredge of the mechanical engineering department was elected chairman of the A&M branch of the American Society for Engineering Education Thursday night.

Other officers are A. R. Burgess, vice chairman; and Jack T. Kent, secretary treasurer.



MISS RUE PINALLE—Bill Kalil, Rue Pinalle manager, congratulates Miss Bootie Bradley of TSCW, winner of the Miss Rue Pinalle contest Friday night. In the background is Oscar Garcia, member of the Rue Pinalle committee.

Weather Today



PARTLY CLOUDY

Partly cloudy tonight with continued cloudiness tonight with scattered thundershowers. High yesterday 85. Low this morning 62.