

# The Battalion

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## System Directors To Meet; Routine Discussions Set

For Board Chairman

### Saturday Dedication Set For New White Coliseum

Dedication of the new G. Rollie White coliseum, largest structure on the campus, will be at 4 p. m. Saturday in the lobby of the big building.

Dr. M. T. Harrington, chancellor of the A&M System, will preside.

A. E. Cudlipp of Lufkin, a member of the System board of directors, will dedicate the coliseum to White, banker and ranchman from Brady who is serving his 29th year as a member of the board and his 10th year as chairman. A bronze plaque will be unveiled.

The board of directors is scheduled to meet on the campus earlier the same day.

Gibb Gilchrist, former chancellor, will give the invocation.

Tyree L. Bell, president of the Austin Road company of Dallas, will be another speaker on the dedication program.

He served as chairman of the building committee of the board of directors during the period in which original plans and appropriations were made for construction of the coliseum.

Other members of the directors' committee at that time were C. C. Krueger of San Antonio and Rufus R. Peoples of Tehuacana.

The coliseum has a total floor space of 154,000 square feet on its three floors and includes facilities for practically all indoor sports and physical education. Cost of the original building ran well over one and a half million dollars.

Maximum seating capacity for sports events is 7,427. The use of folding bleachers and chairs on the floor provide a total of 8,500 seats for staged events such as commencement exercises, entertainments and ceremonies.

Commissioning and commencement exercises were held in the coliseum last May.

An addition now under construction, scheduled for completion in mid-1955, will extend the coliseum 80 feet to the south for its full width and height.

It will contain three floors and framing will permit, at any future date, removal of third of the second floor and two-thirds of the top floor to make room for 2,000 more seats, if they are needed.

### New Construction, Finances To Be Agenda Items

The A&M System board of directors will meet here this weekend, with mostly routine business on the agenda.

Construction items and financial matters will come up for discussion. The directors will also take time out to attend the A&M-Texas Tech football game, two dinners and the dedication of the G. Rollie White coliseum.

The board will have committee meetings all day Friday and Friday night. The board meeting will be at 9 a. m. Saturday.

Items on the agenda are as follows:

Consideration of a revenue bond issue for the new A&M Press building and bids for construction of the building.

Report from an engineer on the needs for an increase in A&M's electrical power supply.

Bids for a feed building at the Poultry center.

Consideration of confirmation of the building of a residence on the college plantation.

Other minor building contracts. The directors of the Bryan Chamber of Commerce will give a dinner honoring the members of the board of directors Friday night.

Also invited to the dinner, which will be at 7:30 p. m. at The Oaks in Bryan, will be college officials and local civic leaders.

The dedication of the coliseum will be at 4 p. m. Saturday. At 6 p. m. Saturday the members of the board and their wives will be the guests of Chancellor M. T. Harrington for dinner at his house.

The directors will attend the A&M-Texas Tech football game that night.

The next meeting of the board will be in Austin at the time of the A&M-University of Texas football game.

### Groesbeck Man Charged in Murder

GROESBECK, Sept. 16—(AP)—A Groesbeck man was charged today with the double murder of his wife and mother-in-law. Two charges were filed against Peter Andry, 28.

### Creative Writing Will Be Offered

A creative writing course will be offered again by the English department this year.

The course, English 325, was not offered last year because not enough students enrolled for it. Taught by Harry L. Kidd, the course will be offered in alternate years. This year, classes will meet at 11 a. m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

### A&M Students Receive Awards

Five A&M students have been awarded Vita Craft sales awards totaling \$650.

The winners and the amount of their scholarship are Randy Howard, \$200; David Morris, \$150; Carlos Tarver, Mike Gaines and Richard Martin, \$100 each.

All the winners were engaged in direct selling. Howard won with a total of \$5,624.65 in sales last summer. Morris' sales were \$4,058 and Traver, Gaines and Martin sales totaled more than \$3,000 each.

These prizes won by the top college salesmen of the Southwest are to be used only for school expenses.

### USCS Outlines Studies for Year

At the meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the A&M Methodist church Mrs. W. A. Varvel, misonary education secretary, outlined the studies for the coming year.

They are Man and God in the City, Under Three Flags, the Master Calleh for Thee, and Christianity and Wealth.

The devotional, given by Dr. Sylvia Coner, was based on the theme "Jesus' Concern for Cities." Mrs. R. E. Leighton directed the program topic on the same theme and was assisted by a panel discussion by Mrs. John H. Southern, Mrs. W. W. Mills and Mrs. A. F. Buchanan.

Mrs. Stewart E. Brown, president, presided over the meeting which was held Monday, Sept. 13, at the home of Mrs. J. Gordon Gay. The hostess and her co-hostesses, Mrs. L. A. DuBose and Mrs. L. J. Horn, served refreshments.

### New Students End Week With Movie

As new student week comes to a close freshmen begin to prepare for the busy school year ahead.

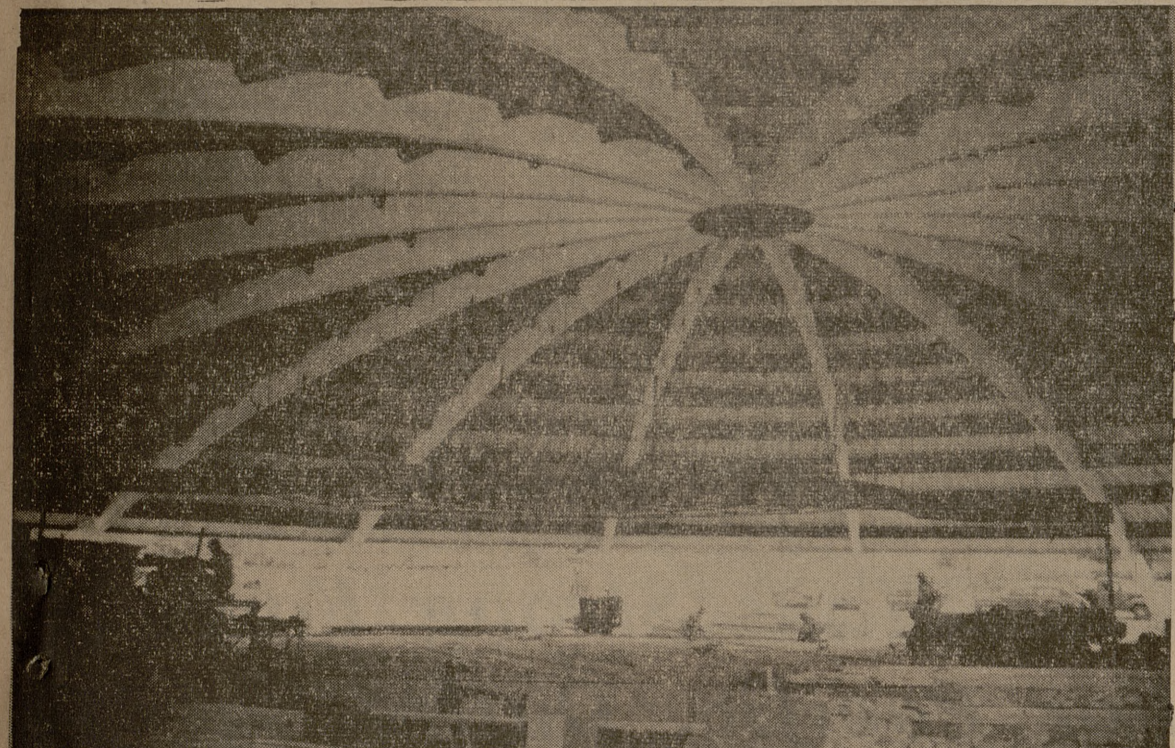
Group meetings and individual conferences end the orientation this afternoon, and all new students can relax with a movie at the Grove tonight.

Tomorrow all new basic division students are scheduled to begin registration at 8 a. m. Students with previous college credit and those with irregular programs will register during the afternoon.

### Diarrhea Leads CS Disease List

College Station reported six cases of diarrhea last week according to the Bryan-Brazos county health unit.

Two cases of mumps were also in the College Station report.



STAGE SHOW—The only stage show in this building will be the pounding hammers and the sound of saws until January 1. The building is the new assembly music hall at A&M Consolidated high school.

### Jobe Resigns After 3 Years In Publications

Carl Jobe, assistant manager of student publications, has resigned to become assistant to the publisher of the Record Publishing company of Dallas, effective Oct. 1.

Jobe, who came to A&M in 1951 as assistant manager, had served as manager of student publications from Sept., 1953, to March, 1954. He was made assistant manager when Karl Elmquist was appointed manager in March.

Jobe received an engraved watch in May, 1953, in appreciation for his work as assistant manager his first two years at A&M. Last spring, he was given a Battalion award for outstanding service to the college. It read:

"To Carl Jobe for stepping in to guide student publications through a turmoil-ridden period and for leading student publications to the highest earned money level ever recorded. And most important of all, for being a cherished friend to all the members of the publications."

His wife, Alice, also received a special Battalion award last spring. "To Alice Jobe," it said in part, "for serving us coffee at all hours of the night and listening sympathetically to our problems."

A veteran, Jobe served in the Navy from 1945 to 1947. He has attended Texas Tech, Southwestern university and Southern Methodist university. Jobe came to A&M from the Temple Telegram, where he did advertising work.

Jobe, who lives at 110 Hardy street in Bryan, is married and has a daughter, Barbara, 9.

"We are sorry to lose Jobe," said Elmquist, now executive chairman of the Student Publications board. "He has contributed a great deal to our student publications program."

"We'll miss him," said Battalion Co-editor Harri Baker, speaking for the students of student publications. "He has been more of a friend to all the students with which he has worked—he's been our friend, too."

### Directors Meeting Are No Mystery

Just exactly what goes on at a meeting of the A&M System board of directors?

The board will meet here this weekend, and their meeting is not the mysterious, ivory-tower type meeting usually associated with them.

When the meeting is scheduled for the A&M campus, as most of them are, it is held at the board of directors home, the big white building across from Walton hall.

This building has meeting rooms and guests rooms for the directors and their wives. It is their home any time they are on the campus.

The day before the regular meeting, Friday in this case, is taken up with committee meetings. The members of the board are broken into several committees, covering each facet of the operation of the system.

They meet and discuss what will be brought up at the board meeting the next day. Most of the work is done here. It is a case of simplifying and weeding out.

An agenda for the meeting is prepared several weeks in advance and sent to each of the directors.

### New Course Open In Oceanography

A new one hour oceanography course will be offered to students in any department this year.

The course, oceanography 201, requires no prerequisites and will cover some features of the student's natural environment which affect his daily life and activities.

Students in any one of A&M's schools or departments may register for the course.

This agenda, which is a mimeographed book the size of a telephone directory, has everything that is scheduled to be discussed, with all the statistical information that the board will need.

Saturday early, the board will meet in executive session, which is closed to the public. They will call in the presidents of the schools, or the heads of the system agencies, or anyone else they need to give them information.

At 9 a. m. the board will have their open meeting. It will be in the big conference room on the second floor of the house.

The members of the board will sit around a mahogany table in the center of the room. In chairs around the edges of the room will be the chancellor, the presidents of the colleges, the heads of the system agencies, and other officers of the system.

E. L. Angell, who is assistant chancellor and secretary for the board, will sit close to the president of the board, where he can take the minutes of the meeting.

A table will be set up for Henderson Shuffler, system director of information, and representatives of newspapers, including The Battalion.

This meeting usually lasts three hours. The agenda is gone over, and necessary action taken. Although the committees have already done a lot of discussing by this time, the board still has lively discussions.

Also at this time will come up anything else the board wants to discuss, under the "other business" section of the agenda.

And this is the way the business of the A&M System is run.

### White To Be Honored For 29 Years of Service

By HARRI BAKER  
Battalion Co-editor

The summer that the first board of directors of Texas A&M college met, a boy named G. Rollie White was born on a ranch near Lockhart.

That was 1875, the year before A&M opened for students. Since then, G. Rollie White and Texas A&M have been inseparable.

Besides graduating from here, White has served on the board of directors longer than any other man—29 years, 11 years as president.

In 1891, when he was 16, White enrolled in Texas A&M. Although he studied civil engineering, he never practiced that profession.

While at A&M, White was a member of the Ross' Volunteers, named for Lawrence Sullivan Ross, who took over the presidency the same year White entered.

White was also a second lieutenant of company C. At that time,

the first lieutenant of company C was Francis Marion Law Jr., who later was to become the only man in the history of the college to even come close to equaling White's length of service on the board of directors.

White graduated in 1895. He went to Eastman Business college after leaving here, and then returned to his home in Brady to enter the cattle business.

He has long been one of the biggest operators in the Texas cattle

### Frosh Honored Wednesday Night

Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Adams honored the freshmen with an ice cream supper Wednesday night at the A&M Presbyterian church.

Fair Colvin, president of the Presbyterian student league, spoke to about 90 students on the Sermon on the Mount.

industry. He and his partners have, at times, handled as many as 25,000 cattle, 50,000 sheep, and 20,000 goats, with ranching operations from Texas to Canada.

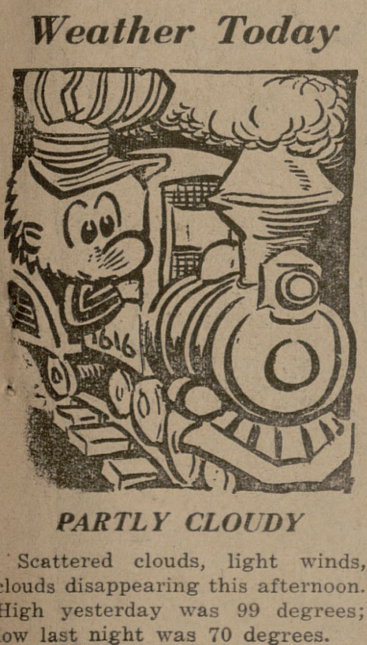
White has also been president of the Commercial National Bank of Brady for the past 47 years.

White's term on the board of directors has been during much of the college's growth. Enrollment has more than doubled, and facilities for instruction have improved many times more.

During this time the college's claim to a share in the income from the university endowment fund was established and two major building programs were started.

So G. Rollie White, as student, former student, friend and director, has seen A&M grow from a small state college to one of the nation's leading technical institutions.

This is the man A&M's new million-dollar coliseum will be dedicated to Saturday.



**Weather Today**  
PARTLY CLOUDY  
Scattered clouds, light winds, clouds disappearing this afternoon. High yesterday was 99 degrees; low last night was 70 degrees.