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FARM TEAM WINNERS—The A&M Consolidated high school farm skill team won the right to compete in area 3 competition at Brenham later in the year by defeating a team from Bryan at the district 1 contest held in Hearne over the weekend. Team members, left to right, are: back row, Charles Arnold, Jack McNeely, Bobby Johnson and Charles Byrd, advisor; front row, J. D. Milling and Grant Lindsey jr.

Fisher Report on Russia Visit Reveals Emphasis on Education

Brooks Named New President Of CCTA

Dr. Melvin Brooks of the agricultural economics and rural sociology department has been elected president of the College Classroom Teachers association, effective June 1, 1955.

He was elected at a meeting of the organization in Fort Worth Nov. 26. Also attending the meeting was C. H. Bernard of the physics department, president of the A&M chapter of the CCTA.

Brooks is now vice-president of the A&M chapter.

At the meeting, members of the group discussed a proposed teacher retirement plan to be presented to the Legislature.

Efforts are being made to have each state supported institution of higher learning hold a referendum vote on a teacher retirement plan under which college teachers would obtain federal old age and survivors insurance in addition to the present retirement system.

These changes, plus others in the present system, would provide teachers with retirement and social security comparable to those for industrial employees, Bernard said.

Here are some of the changes the CCTA is considering as recommendations for revisions in the present laws:

An increase in the contribution salary base.

A variable percentum of contribution.

Fixed maximum benefit not to exceed one-half of average final salary.

Provision for reciprocity agreements with colleges of other states and with industrial companies.

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Congressman Tells Group Those Who Hurry Will Win

By BOB BORISKIE
Battalion Co-Editor

Congressman O. Clark Fisher yesterday told 400 people in Guion hall "we are moving into an age of guided missiles in warfare" and that "the future belongs to those who hurry."

Fisher, congressman from the 21st congressional district, spoke on his recent tour of Russia with Congressman Battle of Alabama. They traveled in an unofficial capacity to see the people in all walks of life, to observe their activities and to take a look at their industry, agriculture and post-war recovery.

Stating he was no expert on the subject, Fisher said he wanted to relate some of his experiences.

Traveling on a plane from Prague to Moscow, the two congressmen talked with a group of 20 British liberals who were en route to Peking in response to an invitation from the Chinese Reds. The group included members of Parliament, trade union leaders, a communist, Bevanites and other liberals.

One of the members of Parliament, Fisher said, seemed surprised that the two congressmen were going to Russia without having been formally invited.

"I am puzzled about two things," the M.P. told Fisher. "First, why McCarthy would let you leave the United States, and second, why the Soviets would let you enter Russia!"

During the visit, which began Oct. 5 and lasted nearly three weeks, Fisher said he was rarely out of the presence of pictures, paintings or statues of Lenin and Stalin. They were everywhere.

He also saw two pictures of an American, one displayed in a pioneer palace in Leningrad and the other in a culture center in Moscow. The favored American was Paul Robeson, former all-America football player, opera singer and movie actor who moved to Russia several years ago.

A half day was spent in the Stalin Auto works where 40,000 people are employed, including 40 per cent women workers. The plant manufactures bicycles, refrigerators, trucks and a few Zis limousine automobiles, Fisher said, and he watched bicycles produced at the rate of one per minute. He also stood at the end of the assembly where a four-ton truck was rolled off every five minutes.

The Russians are making tremendous strides in the field of education, he said. They have compulsory education from seven to 17 years inclusive and are developing a vast number of colleges, universities and institutes. In the

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Group Hears Faslor Quazi At Luncheon

Faslor R. Quazi, graduate student from Pakistan, spoke to members of the Kiwanis club yesterday on his home country.

"Pakistan has tried to have friendly relations with all countries and we are proud of our relationship with the United States of America," he said, "Pakistan is mostly depending on the U. S."

"Although the British rule had many drawbacks, they have really helped our country," he added.

Pakistan has to import nearly everything used in their country. It is considered a stronghold of the western powers and is a member of the Southeast Asia Treaty organization.

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News of the World

By the ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—Secretary of Defense Wilson said yesterday he will ask the next Congress for a four-year extension of the draft law, including a provision for short-term draftees to build up the reserve forces.

DALLAS—Signing of initial agreements to provide for the first leg of a toll road that would eventually link Texas' major cities was slated for here today. The meeting involves officials of Sam Houston Turnpike Corp., which plans a super-highway from Dallas through Waco to San Antonio, and Texas Turnpike Co., which plans a four lane toll road from Waco to Houston and holds a franchise for extending the highway to Corpus Christi.

WASHINGTON—The Eisenhower administration will ask Congress for money to back a big new economic development program in free Asia as the next stage in its cold war policy, diplomatic officials reported yesterday.

MIAMI, Fla.—Rep. Clyde Doyle (D-Calif.), a member of the House unamerican activities committee, said yesterday he would ask the next Congress for legislation to make sure that no person who hides behind the Fifth Amendment ever profits from government work.

Tau Beta Pi Sets Initiation Today

The Texas Delta chapter of Tau Beta Pi will hold its annual fall initiation and banquet today at 5 p.m. in the chemistry lecture room and a banquet at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center ballroom.

Progress Made On Press Building

After having to bail water out of the foundation holes, progress is again made on the new A&M Press building, W. H. Badgett, manager of college physical plants, said yesterday afternoon.

With completion of pouring the foundations in sight the rest of the construction should come along on schedule, Badgett added.

Construction of the \$277,880 air conditioned building is being done by the Martin Semand Construction Co. of Conroe. Work was begun Oct. 12 and with a contract working time of 200 days, it should be ready for use by September of 1955, he said.

MSC Will Send Delegates Dec. 3

The Memorial Student Center will send representatives from the MSC Council and Directorate to a Student Union convention Dec. 3-5 at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

All the college and university student unions in Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas will be represented.

The Tau Beta Pi association is recognized as the highest engineering honor society in the United States.

Senior initiates are as follows: James E. Austin, Robert I. Beaver, John T. Cameron, John L. Clanton, Dan Cleveland, Lindsay J. Crawford, Roland G. Denton, Charles D. Foxworth, Lee Roy Hahnfeld, Benny L. Hinds, Ralph B. Holt, Howard C. Homeyer, Peter E. Jacobson, Bill W. Kimmey, Fred C. Kirkham, James L. Knutson, Marion O. Lawrence, W. R. McCasland, John G. Mackin jr., Thomas R. Melton, W. S. Minor III, C. H. Minter, Marvin F. Nielson, Melvin M. Newsom, Claude L. Obar, Leonard D. Pendleton, Robert W. Pittman, Paul O. Roberts jr., Donald C. Rodgers, John L. Shanks, Carleton K. Sherman and John B. White.

Juniors to be initiated are Joseph G. Broesche, Julian S. Bryant, Charles A. Ford, John W. Jenkins, Gary E. Leslie, Donald P. Novak and Clifford A. Watson.

The following alumni will be initiated: Elmer V. Boyt, "27"; James M. Crawford, "22"; Gus R. Herzik, "34"; Joseph M. Parish, "40"; Lawrence S. Pawkett, "34"; Otto W. Sommers, "29"; H. M. Stewart, "26"; and Victor M. Ehlers, "05."

The following alumni were also elected, but will not be present for the fall initiation: John L. Bates, Jack J. Keith jr. and William C. Rowland.

Edward L. Jognson jr., who is not an A&M alumnus, will be initiated for the North Carolina Gamma chapter.

Dairymen To Meet

A Dairymen short course will be held here Thursday and Friday, sponsored by the dairy husbandry department. The Kream and Kow Klub will sponsor a barbecue for those attending the conference Thursday in Duncan dining hall.

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Building Program Continues

By JON KINSLOW
Battalion Managing Editor
(Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles on recent and future construction at A&M.)

Among the items approved by the A&M System Board of Directors Thursday were appropriations for more than \$1,756,000 for construction on the A&M campus.

The biggest item for the future was \$900,000 for a new biochemistry and dairy building which will be built behind the animal husbandry pavilion. Actually, there will be two buildings—one for the biochemistry department and one to house the creamery. The two will be connected by a covered passageway.

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The biochemistry department is now housed in several buildings and the new building will partially relieve this condition, said Howard Badgett, manager of the A&M physical plants. This building is to be three stories and the creamery is to be one story. Both will be finished about September, 1956, he said.

The new creamery building will replace the creamery west of the main campus, Badgett added.

Power Plant Addition

Another addition is another generator for the power plant. Here is how Badgett explained the need for the addition:

There are now three generators in the plant—a main 3,000 kilowatt generator and two auxiliary ones with a combined output of 1,750 kilowatts. The peak load of electricity is gradually reaching the capacity of the main generator, making it impossible for the smaller ones to generate enough power to meet the demand.

"When a mechanical failure occurs, someone just has to do with-

out electricity," Badgett said. "The rise in electricity needed has been caused both by new buildings and by the increase in the use of appliances in the buildings."

The new generator, which would cost \$725,000 including installation, could handle about twice the present peak load. It would also be adequate for about the next 15 years, and should be ready for operation in about a year and a half, said Badgett.

Another Building

A new horticulture processing

Korean Vets Urged To Sign Papers

All Korean veterans are urged to sign monthly certifications in room 102, Goodwin hall, before 5 p.m. Dec. 6, said Bennie A. Zinn, veterans advisor.

The certifications must be submitted to the Veterans administration Dec. 7, he said. The November checks will be in Dec. 17, he added.

laboratory is planned for the near future, but Badgett did not have the details of the building. To be built west of the main campus on the horticulture farm, the laboratory will cost about \$85,000.

Air Conditioning

Three lecture rooms are to be air conditioned as part of the college's long range program of improvement. The Cushing library, which is being air conditioned now, will be ready by about March 1, Badgett said.

The lecture rooms that will be air conditioned are the ones in the Chemistry building, the Biology building, and one smaller lecture room.

"This will make three sizes of lecture rooms available for meetings," Badgett said. "They may be ready by next summer." The estimated cost for the three jobs is \$46,000.

It was originally planned to air condition six classrooms, and half of these are being done now because of a surplus of funds, he said.



MORE SPACE—Workmen prepare more parking space for A&M students. This lot will be an extension of the Law-Puryear parking lot.

Community Chest Extends Drive

More than \$9,880—67 per cent—of the \$14,707 Community Chest goal has been collected.

The drive has been extended until Dec. 10 to try to make the goal set for this year. If the budget is not reached, some agencies requests will have to be cut, according to a committee report yesterday.

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