

# Battalion Editorials

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## Coming Closer

Although President David H. Morgan probably didn't mean to, in parts of his "state of the college" talk yesterday he came close to predicting that A&M is heading for coeducation.

First he said that unless the department of defense gives military colleges some special recognition, it will be extremely difficult to continue the present organization.

Then, later in his talk, he outlined the present status of the other eight military colleges: three are coed, one is considering civilian college organization and co-education, one may be reduced to junior college status, one is considering opening its doors to girls, one is worried about unfilled barracks, and one—with 800 enrollment—is happy the way it is.

Morgan and other college officials many times have expressed their desire to keep A&M a military school, and have worked hard to obtain extra recognition for the military school status.

In other parts of his talk, Morgan emphasized the military aspects of A&M, including saying that the optional military plan started this year has not appreciably affected the corps, and that the corps is the backbone of A&M.

Still, the other parts of his talk foreshad-

ow coeducation for A&M.

Unofficial sources (which adds up to 'rumors') have said that A&M has already taken the first step toward coeducation—making military optional.

The next step would be to allow students to take ROTC training without being in the corps of cadets. The board authorized this step last summer, saying the college officials could do it anytime they wanted to.

Then perhaps A&M would open its classes to local girls and daughters of staff members. From there to complete coeducation is but a short step.

Coeducation won't be here anytime soon—probably not next year or even the year after. It takes time to prepare for such a change.

It will also take a while for the expected increase in overall Texas enrollment to reach A&M, and that increase will have a bearing on whether or not A&M becomes coeducational.

More people everywhere, boys and girls, are going to want to go to college, and A&M is going to want its share of these.

Circumstances seem to be forcing A&M to become coeducational, and by doing so the school would be keeping up with the present.

## Third Annual

In case anybody has been wondering what happened to the Tonkawa Tribe after the brief uprising a few weeks ago, the college says officially that the organization is "completely disbanded."

One student was dismissed for "putting constantly before the student body reminders" of the organization, and there must have been evidence that the group was somewhat active, because the Executive committee was asked to study the probation by which last year's members are now in school. But the Executive committee didn't want

to talk about it, and still doesn't. Sort of an 'if-we-ignore-it-maybe-it-will-go-a-way' theory.

However, the administration says the organization is completely disbanded. It would be easier to believe this good news if we hadn't heard it so often before.

It's exactly the same statement that was given after the TT investigations of 1952 and 1954.

So it looks like we've completed the Third Annual Complete Disbanding of the Tonkawa Tribe.

## News of the World

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS—Christian Pineau yesterday set about picking a list of ministers which he hopes will satisfy French political jealousies and allow him to form the 21st postliberation government. The construction of a Cabinet has tripped one of the previous aspirants during France's 12-day governmental crisis and it could prove the undoing of Pineau, a Socialist.

WASHINGTON—A combined Hawaii-Alaska statehood bill, compromised in a bid for presidential support, was approved 19-6 yesterday by the House Insular Affairs Committee. The compromise consisted of a provision authorizing the President to set aside up to 40 per cent of Northern Alaska as a defense zone.

SEGUIN—A roaring, window-shattering blast ripped through two blocks of downtown Seguin early last night injuring at least three persons and doing serious property damage. "It's still a pretty bad explosion," said City Fireman Marvin Wilke, "and we don't know for sure just how many are hurt."

NEW YORK—Harvey Matusow said yesterday he received \$977.26 from the government for testifying against 13 Communists convicted in 1953 of conspiracy—testimony he now says was false. The money represented witness fees and expenses, the former Communist and FBI informer said in Federal Court.



## The Battalion

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## Morgan

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student body last spring and that this spring they number 43 per cent.

Talking about A&M's budget request for this year, Morgan said the request had been made to the Legislature, and that it was higher than in the past.

He said the appropriation would probably be allotted so as to give a higher student-teacher ratio, with higher salaries.

At the end of his talk, Morgan said that no announcement of the three new deans would be made until after the Feb. 26 meeting of the board of directors.

The announcement will probably be made after the April meeting, he said.

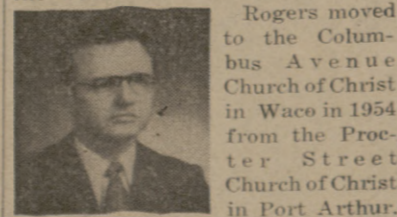
The positions to be filled are dean of student personnel services, dean of the basic division, and dean of engineering.

## RE Week

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Kansas City Baptist association at the time of his recall, and after serving at Lackland air force base, was assigned to his present station.

Clifton Rogers, Church of Christ minister in Waco, will live in dormitory 16 and will lead the forums and discussion groups in the band room of dormitory 16. He will be available for conferences during the week.



Rogers

Rogers moved to the Columbus Avenue Church of Christ in Waco in 1954 from the Procter Street Church of Christ in Port Arthur.

During his ministry of four and a half years in Port Arthur, his congregation was doubled in size and a utilitarian educational annex was constructed.

He attended Abilene Christian college in Abilene where he received his BA degree in 1940. In addition to his work with the Columbus Avenue church, Rogers does evangelistic work in some eight revival meetings each year and has preached in revival meetings for 125 congregations throughout the nation. He is also an active worker in the Rotary club.

## What's Cooking

THURSDAY

7:00—Wichita Falls hometown club, Academic building, discuss Sports day and Aggieland picture.

7:15—Wise county hometown club, Apt. 16, 4000 College Main, Bryan.

Waco-McLennan county hometown club, Third floor Goodwin, election of officers.

East Texas hometown club, 227 Academic.

Lower Trinity Valley hometown club, 103 Academic.

Centex hometown club, third floor Academic.

Panhandle club, Academic building, election of officers.

Abilene club, Academic building, plan for High School Day.

Guadalupe Valley hometown club, 125 Academic, plans for High School Day and Aggieland picture.

Laredo hometown club, 224 Academic.

7:30—Austin hometown club, basement YMCA, discuss spring party and Aggieland picture.

Grayson county hometown club, room 3D MSC, plans for High

School Day and Aggieland picture. Corpus Christi club, MSC, discuss club picture.

Irving A&M club, room 2D MSC, discuss Sports day and Aggieland picture.

Hill County hometown club, 106 Academic building.

Tyler-Smith county hometown club, 103 Academic.

Del Rio hometown club, YMCA.

Red River Valley A&M club, 223 Academic, discuss Aggieland picture.

Amarillo A&M club, first floor Academic, plan a party and make final plans for Sports day.

Yankee hometown club, room 3D MSC.

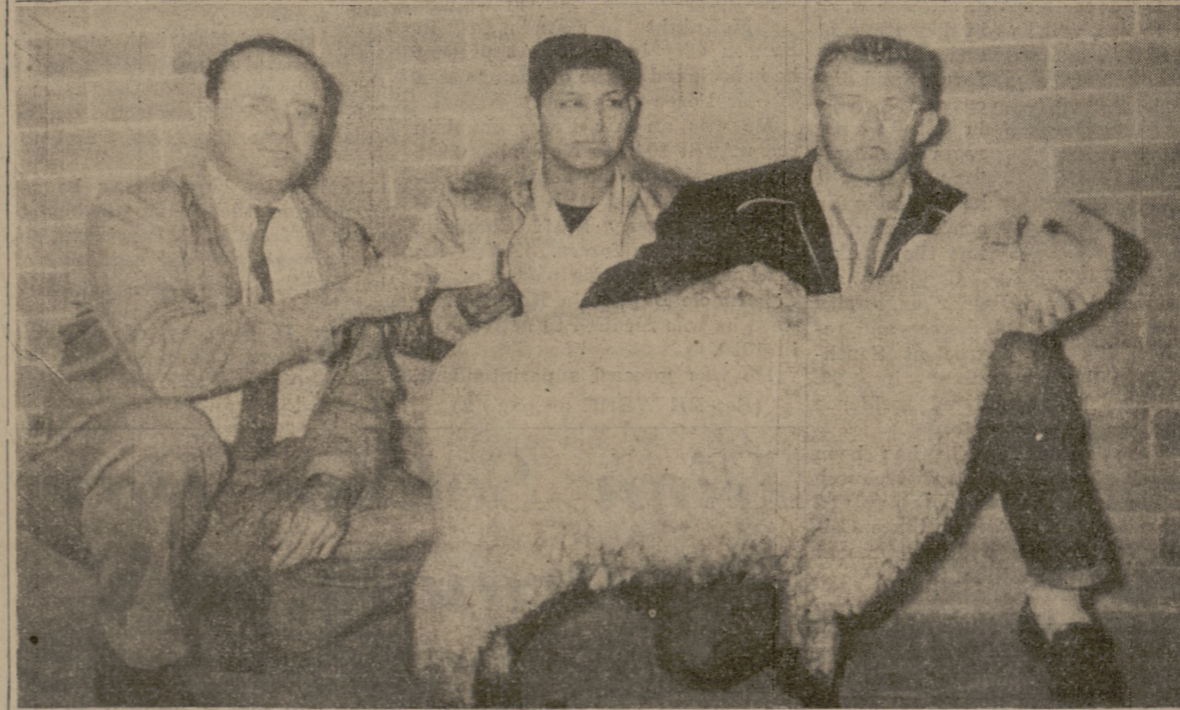
East Texas A&M hometown club, assembly room MSC, election of officers, plan for High School day and Aggieland picture.

Port Arthur club, 105 Biology building, discuss Aggieland picture.

The United States produced 2,149,000 automobiles in 1946 and 6,165,000 in 1953.

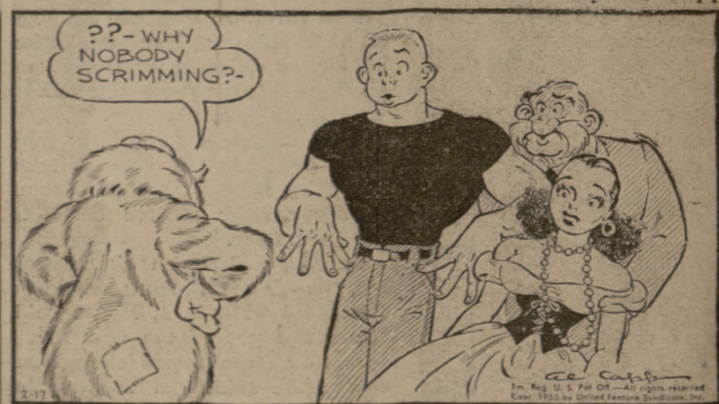


HIGH GRADE—This lamb was judged 20th out of 362 entries in the recent Houston Fat Stock show. It was purchased by James Winn, right, manager of the meats department of Miller's super market. Owners of the lamb are, left to right, Frank Benavidez, Jack McNeely and James Arnold.



ANOTHER WINNER—This lamb also won honors at the Houston show, placing fourth out of 35. It was one of a group of three receiving the award. Gilbert Orsak, manager of Weingartens, left, bought the lamb from its owners, Frank Benavidez and Jack Neely.

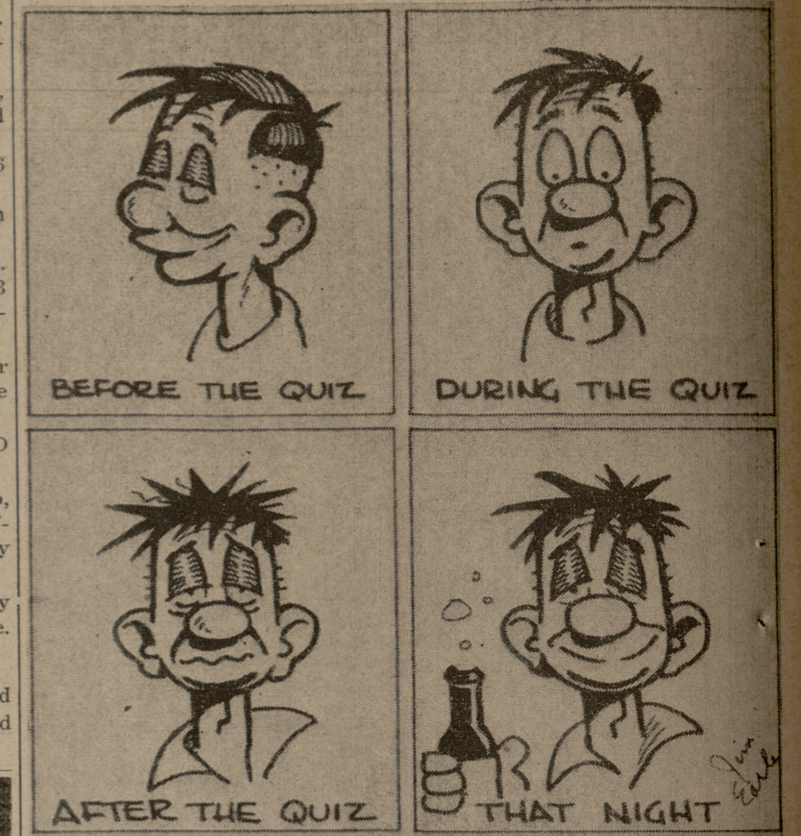
## L'L ABNER



## POGO



## Cadet Slouch . . . by James Earle



## Shepperd to Speak For A&M Initiation

John Ben Shepperd, attorney general of Texas, will address A&M's first professional Greek letter fraternity at the chapter's installation Friday night in the Memorial Student Center.

Twenty-one junior and senior students will be initiated into Sigma Delta Chi the national professional Journalism fraternity.

Walter Humphrey, master of ceremonies, is editor of the Fort Worth Press. Now a member of the SDX executive committee, Humphrey is a past national president of the fraternity.

Initiation of new members will be at 6:30 p.m. Installing officers are Fred Hartman, editor of the Baytown Sun; James Byron, news director of WBAP and WRAP-TV in Fort Worth; W. R. Beaumier, representative of the Texas Press association; and John Murphy, executive secretary of the Texas

Daily Newspaper association.

Brief messages of congratulations and welcome will be made by President David H. Morgan; Ross Strader, head of student publications; A. Pat Daniels of the SDX association;

Gene Robins, Gulf Coast Professional chapter of SDX, Donald Burdard, head of the Journalism department; Dr. DeWitt Reddick, of the University of Texas on behalf of other college chapters; Ralph Cole, student president of the new chapter; J. B. Hervey, Former Students association; and Victor Bluedorn, executive director of the Chicago office of SDX.

Students to be initiated are Cole, Harri Baker, Robert Boriskie, James Collins, Edward Fries, Billy Fullerton, Ronald Greathouse, William Holloway, Jon Kinslow, Alfred McAfee, Dolph Moten, Philip McNeer, John Nelms, Allen Pengelly, Calvin Pigg, Paul Savage, Don Shepard, Ray Smith, James Tyree, Bill Thomas and Jerry Wigig.

About four or five professional members also will be initiated.



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## CAMPUS CLEANERS

By Al Capp

By Walt Kelly