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LICENSE PLATES—County Tax Assessor-Collector Mrs. Marjorie E. Burkhalter, left, and Mrs. Lioris A. Garner are selling automobile license plates in the Memorial Student Center everyday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The plates will be on sale in the Center until Saturday.

New Honor Code Drafted

Tickets Available For Variety Show

Tickets for the 'Pinky' variety show to be presented March 24 in G. Rollie White coliseum are now available at College Station and Bryan business establishments, J. E. (Jocko) Roberts, manager of ticket sales, said this morning.

The show, "In the Pink," will be presented in appreciation of P. L. (Pinky) Downs jr., the college's official greeter. Talent for the show is being selected now and will include singing, dancing and orchestral acts.

Downs, who was 71 on Feb. 26, is recuperating in Galveston's John Sealy hospital after falling ill during the Christmas holidays. In addition to his position as official greeter, he has worked for the athletic and fiscal department here and was a member of the A&M

System board of directors from 1923 to 1932.

Priced at \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children and students, the tickets can be purchased from the following College Station businesses: Lipscomb pharmacy, Madeley pharmacy, Black's pharmacy, Loupot's Trading Post, Student Co-op, Shaffer's Book store, A&M grill, Burgess-Price Insurance agency, Holick Boot and Shoe repair, Memorial Student Center main desk, and the A&M Consolidated schools.

In Bryan, tickets are available at Canady's pharmacy, Ellison's pharmacy, Conway and Co., Waldrop and Co., Bullock-Sims, W.S.D.'s clothing, Hotard's cafeteria, Orr's Food center, Kelly's cafe, Major's cafe, Stephen F. Austin high school and all elementary schools, Ridgecrest washateria and the American Laundry and Dry cleaners.

A&S Council Names Three Top Teachers

Three professors in the School of Arts and Sciences have been named as outstanding by the student Arts and Sciences council.

They are Robert G. Layer of the economics department, F. E. Ekfelt of the English department, and P. J. Woods of the history department.

They were selected by the council on the basis of their ability as an instructor, the interest they show in their students, and the amount of extra time they spend in helping students.

"The most important thing is their willingness to spend their time helping the students," said Charles (Chuck) Newman, president of the council.

The three winners were selected from a slate of nominees prepared by each technical club in the School of Arts and Sciences. Each club nominated three professors, and the student members of the council selected the three winners.

The three will be presented with an engraved gift at the May meeting of the council.

Sent to Councils For Suggestions

An honor code for all A&M students has been drafted by the Inter-council Committee.

The plan, which will now be presented to each school council for suggestions and approval, provides for an honor pledge, but all students will be covered by the code, regardless of whether or not they sign the pledge.

Those signing the pledge, however, have the greater responsibility to see that the code works.

Basically, the plan approved by the committee yesterday is this:

Students signing the pledge will not tolerate cheating and will report any violations. Unlike one of the former

honor code proposals, however, they will report to an Honor Council instead of the instructor.

This Honor Council would be composed of two members from each of the undergraduate schools on the campus, and would review all cases of cheating. Their decisions, either guilty or not guilty, would then be forwarded to the student's dean.

A quorum of six members of the council would be necessary for cases to be reviewed. A unanimous vote — without discussion among the council members of the facts — would be required for a decision. Committee President Bill Coppage said the subcommittee which drew up the plan decided it would be best if no discussion was allowed on the cases.

"This would prevent the council from being swayed by an eloquent speech," he said, "and the decisions of the council would be strictly on the facts presented."

Sign At Registration
A student would be given an opportunity to sign the honor pledge at registration, but the code would be in effect no matter how many students signed, Coppage explained.

Coppage compared the honor code to a "big police force with a lot of deputies." Those who sign the pledges would be the "deputies" and would be responsible for reporting cheating offenses, but those who did not sign would not have this responsibility, Coppage said.

He also said the Honor Council could try the cases in any way they chose, and could call for witnesses and the accuser if they chose to do so. Procedures other than those named in the honor code would be up to the council itself, he said.

'Gave It Elasticity'
"We gave the honor code a lot of elasticity—like the Constitution—so that it would function better in actual practice," Coppage said.

As outlined in the code, the purpose is "To provide a spirit of honesty and ethical behavior among the students of Texas A&M which will foster the development of professional honor and integrity."

Opposition Voiced
Opposition to many parts of the plan were voiced by Bill Willis. He said Aggies "don't consider cheating dishonorable," and because of this first offenders should only be warned by the Honor Council. The decision on a first offender should not be forwarded to the student's dean, and he "should be given another chance."

The other councilmen argued that the proposed code would stimulate interest against cheating.

The proposal will now be sent to the school councils for approval, and Coppage has asked the councils to call special meetings to consider the problem. This would bring quick action, he said.

The Inter-council committee will then consider the councils' suggestions on how the plan should be changed, he said.

Netherlands Flyer Speaks to BCAA

Capt. D. J. F. Roxx of the Netherlands, who is stationed at Bryan air force base, will speak tomorrow on "Private Flying in My Native Land," at a 7 p.m. meeting of the Brazos County Aviation association in the temporary courthouse on West 25th street in Bryan.

Sewage School Told Texas Leads Nation

Texas leads the nation in the number of municipal sewage treatment plants, said the editor of "Wastes Engineering" of New York, Morris M. Cohn, speaking at the opening session of the Texas Water and Sewage Works short school.

"I am aware of the fact that a recent survey conducted by Wastes Engineering showed Texas has 700 municipal sewage treatment plants and that it leads the nation in numbers," he said.

V. M. Ehlers, secretary of the Texas Water and Sewage Works association, said Texas needs 350 more sewage plants in the next five years, and 100 existing plants are "running down at the heels or bursting at the seams as a result of the growth of Texas communities."

At the annual banquet, tonight Dr. Henry A. Holle, state health officer, will review accomplishments in 1954; and a report by the awards committee will be given by J. L. Horner, chairman. Cayce Moore, the Hearne philosopher and well known speaker, will deliver the principal address.

Sessions today will include talks on water conservation by Ehlers, W. A. Hardenbergh, editor of Public Works magazine, New York, and Stanley Banks jr., state representative from San Antonio.

More than 700 persons are attending the short school which will end Friday. Joe H. Sorrels of the civil engineering department is general chairman.

Prom Saturday

Juniors To Have Filet, Three Bands

Three bands and filet mignon will be the highlight at the annual Junior Prom and banquet Saturday night in the Memorial Student Center.

Ernie Martellino and his combo, the Aggicland Combo and the Mel-lowstones from Sam Houston State Teachers college will play for the ball.

One combo will be in the main ball room, one in the assembly room and one on the terrace, according to Bill Swann, chairman of the orchestra committee.

Guest speaker for the occasion is A. O. Sainger, assistant southeast division sales manager for Humble Oil and Refining company.

Entrees for junior class sweetheart must be turned in before 5 p.m. today. Information on pictures should be name, measurements, hometown, and the name of

Aggicland Sets Picture Deadline

The deadline for Senior Favorite and Vanity Fair submissions for the Aggicland '55 is March 15, according to Lolan Pullen, co-editor.

There have been about 43 entries for Vanity Fair, Pullen said.

Pictures for these two sections of the yearbook may be turned in at student publications office, Goodwin hall.

the person submitting the picture. All pictures will be returned.

Tickets to the prom or banquet may be purchased from Glen Rice, Richard Gentry, Bill Swann, Cy Johnson, Gus Mijalis, Wade Ingram, Weldon Walker and Jim Bower for \$2.50 for the dance and \$1.50 for the banquet.

Civilian juniors may purchase tickets from Ray Winburn, Lamar Hisey, Bobby Lee, Phil Weinert or Walter Parsons.

The entire second floor of the MSC will be devoted to the dance. "Tables will be set up on the terrace, weather permitting," according to Wade Ingram, dance committee chairman.

Architects Dance Set for Saturday

Architecture students will reveal their "suppressed desires" Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the annual Architectural ball in the American Legion hall in Bryan, according to Joe Bob Walker, chairman of the annual costume party.

The Prairie View Collegians will play for the dance.

Tickets for the Architectural Society Annual Beau Arts Ball are \$2.50 for members and \$3.50 for non-members. Bob King is in charge of ticket sales. Anybody can come if he will carry out the costume theme, said Walker.

World News

NEW YORK—Democratic National Chairman Paul Butler said yesterday that he doesn't think President Eisenhower will be a candidate for re-election, but the Democrats will gear their 1956 campaign to Ike being the nominee—or the nominee being a man selected by Eisenhower.

LONDON—The British government disclosed yesterday it is adopting an American guided missile which can carry atomic warheads. War Secretary Anthony Eden told the House of Commons that the U.S. missile, the Corporal Mark 2, will be issued to British army nuclear formations in Europe next year.

WASHINGTON—Russia told the U. S. yesterday that it expelled an American Roman Catholic priest because the U. S. refused to allow a Russian orthodox priest to remain in this country. The expulsion followed the state department's refusal to allow Archbishop Boris to stay in the U. S. after his 60-day visa ran out Feb. 28.

WASHINGTON—Secretary of State Dulles said in a nationwide radio-television speech last night that Red China seems determined to challenge America's military power, and if it is necessary the U. S. must meet hostile force with the greater force that we possess.

Let's Ask Anyway

Council Makes Second Report

By HARRI BAKER
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With an attitude of "Let's ask for it even if we can't get it," the student Arts and Sciences council has prepared its second evaluation of A&M's School of Arts and Sciences.

The report includes recommendations ranging from the building of a new arts and sciences classroom building and the elimination of compulsory attendance, to requests for rugs in the dormitory lounges and sidewalks in the East area.

The special committee of the

Weather Today

The weather outlook for today will be misting and low fog until late in the afternoon.

Yesterday's high was 67, low 33. The temperature at 11:15 this morning was 65.

council which prepared the report decided that anything that affected students here affected their learning, so they included recommendations on dormitories, traffic, sidewalks, and the airport, as well as classrooms, curriculum, and the library.

The report starts off by saying, "We of the Arts and Sciences council would like to express our appreciation for the cooperation we received in the consideration of our last year's recommendations," then goes on to say, "We back wholeheartedly any proposal for the erection of a new arts and sciences building. The present buildings are overcrowded."

The report says that the "shacks" (temporary classroom buildings) should be removed "eventually," and also suggests that the exterior of the Academic building and the library be cleaned.

The council believes that compulsory class attendance is not nec-

essary—"To encourage an active desire to learn, we feel that compulsory class attendance should be eliminated. If enough material is presented in class that a student will fail if he does not attend class, then he will attend.

Burchard To Go To New York Meet

D. D. Burchard, head of the journalism department, will attend a meeting of the American Council on Education for Journalism in New York City April 24.

Burchard visited the University of Florida and Florida State university March 2-8 as one of a six-man accreditation team approved by the ACEJ.

Recommendations made by this team will be appraised at the meeting in New York on April 24.

Burchard said A&M is scheduled for an accreditation visit next fall.

"If the student can learn by himself the material covered in class, there is no reason for him to attend, except for the value gained by repetition.

"Compulsory attendance for freshmen need not be eliminated." The council also felt the course load is "heavy in hours and light in substance," and requested that the regulation that teachers stay away from controversial issues in the classroom be clarified.

As in last year's report, the library got its share of recommendations. This year they included a different color scheme, "perhaps green," better lighting, placing the browsing room on the first floor, making the stacks more accessible to the student body, and a means for students to recommend book purchases.

Under the curriculum section, the council believed there should be an increase in required outside reading and writing and in classroom (See COUNCIL, Page 2)

News Briefs

LT. J. G. HILL, U. S. navy, will be in room 3C of the MSC March 17 and 18 to discuss naval reserve, naval air cadet, and naval officer candidate programs with interested students.

LEGIS E. DAVIDS of the business administration department has been selected as a fellow for the annual Institute on Freedom and Competitive Enterprise, to be held at Claremont Men's college in California, June 14-26.

THE ANNUAL Dairy Manufacturers conference will be held here March 16-18, bringing dairy processors from all over the state.

DR. RUTH PATRICK, curator of limnology at the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences, will lecture on "Ecological Factors To Consider In Studies of Rivers" at 8 tonight in the Biological lecture room.

A 40 HOUR TRAINING COURSE for the motor transportation supervisors will be held here March 21-25. L. K. Jones, chief of supervisor training, Texas engineering extension service, will be in charge.