

Control Of A&M Traffic Duty Of Campus Security Office

A lot of cars travel every day on the campus streets. Most of these cars are owned by students. In a week's time 2,700 different cars will be here and to control them is the duty of the Campus Security Office, by enforcing the college traffic rules.

Students are welcome to bring their cars to the campus, but certain procedures have to be observed and certain regulations abided by.

College regulations provide that students must register their vehicles (including motor scooters, etc.) at the Campus Security Office, which is on the first floor of Goodwin Hall, not later than 48 hours after arrival. This pertains only to a car you will keep here with you. Registration fee is 25 cents, and one registration is good for all four years. You will be given a campus license plate which must be placed in some spot on your car visible from the outside. Most persons put them on their windshields.

Parking Decal

Starting this year as part of a new setup in handling A&M traffic, you will also be given a colored decal which must be put on your windshield as low as possible in the right hand corner. This decal indicates the parking lot area in which you are to park your vehicle.

A facsimile of the decal is shown on this page, and the colors which are used for each particular lot.

Student Senate Serves as Voice

The Student Senate, A&M's student government, serves as a voice for the students and as an executive group for them.

It is composed of representatives from each class and dormitory, both military and civilian, elected in the spring general elections. The vice-president of the freshman class is representative for the first-year men.

Meeting monthly, the Senate discusses and votes on matters of student life, campus improvements and other facets of the school.

Their action, which is reviewed by the Student Affairs Department, takes the form of a recommendation to the college authority concerned with that particular item.

Also included are directions for removing the transfer from its base.

Once you are registered and have put up your license and proper parking lot decal you are ready to learn just what you can and cannot do on the campus.

Hours Restricted

During business hours campus streets are adequate only for handling of traffic necessary to college business. These are hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Students' cars must be parked in their proper parking area by 2 a.m. Thus, between 5 p.m. and 2 a.m. Monday through Saturday mornings students can park their cars in areas usually reserved for business. After 12 noon Saturday until 2 a.m. Monday are also free parking periods.

Students cannot take their cars to classes. They may use them for off-campus trips during classroom hours provided no stops are made

Mail Service Available Two Places

During your four years at A&M, you will get all your mail through a post office box.

There are two post offices on the campus: one at the North Gate area, and one in the Memorial Student Center. Get your box early, and get it at the post office that will be closest to your dormitory.

The college has a special delivery service, and special delivery letters should have your dormitory and room number on them.

All incoming long distance calls come through the Housing Office, where messengers are on duty at all hours of the day and night to get the person being called.

There is a telegraph office in the MSC which receives telegrams at any hour. Telegrams can also be sent from there. The MSC operates a long distance telephone service too.

To ship packages or footlockers to school before you come, address them to yourself, Texas A&M College, College Station, and send them by rail. You can pick them up at the railroad station when you arrive.

on the campus. (The term "campus" is interpreted to include all property at College Station under the jurisdiction of A&M College.)

Texas laws governing traffic are effective at A&M. Speed limits are 20 and 30 mph, and are so posted. Pedestrians shall at all times have the right of way, and at intervals between classes vehicular traffic is expected to stop for a sufficient period of time to permit pedestrians to cross drives and streets.

Now What Happens

Now that the majority of the basic college traffic regulations have been discussed, the next step is what happens when a regulation is violated. Until this year violators were given a ticket and when they had a certain number of tickets their right to have a car on the campus was taken away. Violations coming after having a car banned resulted in more serious disciplinary action.

Under an authorization granted by the A&M System Board of Directors last June, Dr. David H. Morgan, A&M president was empowered to levy a fee for regaining college driving permits taken from violators of college traffic laws.

The maximum fee authorized was \$1 for parking violations (and these constitute the majority of traffic miscues at A&M), \$2 for moving car violations and \$5 for violation of driving car on the campus after the permit had been withdrawn.

Reinstatement Procedure

College regulations specify that driving privileges are suspended 48 hours after date of regular notice of violation or driving and/or parking regulations (Saturdays, Sundays and holiday excluded) unless the permit is reinstated by the following procedure:

Persons who received tickets should within 48 hours either report to the College Fiscal Office

Cars Banned For Frosh At University

Some folks are not going to like A&M's new fee system for traffic violations. But that's A&M for you.

Now at Austin the problem of what to do with the traffic problem was solved by a different solution. Freshmen can't have cars this school year and sophomores also will not be able to have them after September, 1956.

The reason given for banning the cars was twofold: academic and traffic. The decision was handed down by the University's Board of Regents last spring.

Texas University still has its orange tower, but our freshmen can still have their cars.

Final Review Ends A&M School Year

The traditional Final Review marks the close of each school year at A&M. That is the last military review for senior members of A&M's Corps of Cadets.

The full corps forms on the drill field and passes in review once under the command of the senior officers, returning to the original positions of the field. A brief intermission follows, during which the seniors say farewell to the men of their organizations—and the lower classes put on the uniform of the class into which they will be advanced.

After this intermission, seniors form a line and march across the field to a position in front of the reviewing stand, and the corps, under command of the junior officers, passes in review. The band plays "Auld Lang Syne" as a march. As each organization passes, its seniors step out to give and receive salute customary for guests of honor at a review.

where a fee will be accepted for reinstatement of driving privileges or report to the Campus Security Office where notice of appeal may be prepared, if the driver thinks that the ticket is unwarranted.

The appeal court is to be open from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Student Labor Office with Col. E. F. Sauer, student labor and loans director, as appeal authority. Sauer's decisions on appeal cases will be based on the circumstances under which violations occurred.

Should a student lose his appeal or if he does not appeal, he must pay the fee to get his driving rights restored. If he wins his case, the ticket will be torn up.

Not a Fine

The fee is technically not a fine, for a student does not have to pay it unless he wants his driving privileges on the campus restored.

A larger fee will be assessed if a student drives his car on the campus without having first gotten his permit back, either by paying the violation fee or by winning his appeal to the traffic officer. Further violations may cause the case to become a matter for disciplinary action.

The Campus Security patrolmen will issue some "Courtesy Notices" for the purpose of notifying and warning the driver of the vehicle. This notice will be used in borderline cases where the patrolman believes that the driver will park and drive properly in the future. A record of all notices will be maintained.

So there you are. A&M has a limited amount of space and a seemingly unlimited number of cars that want space. Students want to drive to class or want to make too much noise. Or maybe they want to gather too many people in and/or on one vehicle. Some always want to speed and drive recklessly to show off. You don't impress anybody, and you might end up having to shell out a wad of money.

The Campus Security Office is not set up as a ball and chain upon student inclinations. The college wants students to have and enjoy their cars and other vehicles at A&M. But control of vehicles on the campus is necessary for the efficient operation of the college.

Pamphlet of Rules

When you register your car, you will be given a pamphlet of the traffic rules. Be sure and read it. You can help yourself and help the college at the same time.

And remember. The rules given are for driving and parking on the campus and are aimed at your's and other persons' safety. And this safety should extend beyond the limits of the campus.

A&M had a bad record last year for traffic fatalities coming and going to and from school. It's a good idea to familiarize yourself with rules and tips on safe driving on our highways as well.

Fred Hickman is Chief of Campus Security. Patrolmen are Olan Armstrong, Glenn E. Bolton, Rufus E. Batten, Ellis Folsom, Morris A. Maddox, Thurman Maxwell, Walter L. Rice, Ray S. Rosier, Albert R. Ward and Hugo J. Wiese.

School Year Sees Many Dances Here

A&M has many dances throughout the year, with the one reserved especially for the freshmen being the Fish Ball, held about half-way through the spring semester.

On football game weekends at College Station, an All-College dance is held in Sbis Hall, with a name band playing.

During the spring, the various campus and corps groups have dances—the regimental balls, the class balls, and club dances.

The Fish Ball, according to campus legend, draws the prettiest girls to A&M, so it is always a welcome attraction from everyone's point of view.

The freshman class, through its class officers, does all the planning for their dance.

Decals To Denote Your Parking Area



A&M gets something new this year, something that will be attractive to look at and also will be an efficient way of keeping students from parking in improper areas.

The Campus Security Office will issue colored decals that are to be placed on the windshield of all student cars. These transfers, the color of which will depend upon the individual student's dormitory parking area, are to be put as low as possible on the right hand side of the car windshield.

Anyone having a favorite color (or trying to avoid a clash of color schemes) had better arrange his housing to fit the color he desires. The color of the decal for each parking area is as follows:
Blue—Day Student parking lot
Black—Milner and Hart Halls' parking lots
Green—Lot behind Law Hall
Red—Dormitories 1 through 12 parking lots
Brown—Dormitories 14 through 17 parking lots

So that students who have already registered their cars can get this decal, a supply will be available at registration. Students registering their cars for the first time will get their decals at that time. The transfers can also be picked up at the Campus Security Office in Goodwin Hall. Students will fill out a blank giving all information about the car needed, including the owner's living area so that the properly colored decal can be issued.

One more thing about these decals should be mentioned. No instructions are printed on them and they are used in just a little different manner from the kind one ordinarily runs across.

These are to go on the inside of the windshield. The decal is inserted in water for about 15 or 20 seconds, then the paper is placed next to where the transfer is to go. The decal is slid off if its base paper onto the windshield and then smoothed out with a flat surface to remove wrinkles and air holes. (With most decals the transfer is placed against the surface and the base paper then removed.)

TSCW Teams Try To Predict Score

Each year before the annual Turkey Day classic between A&M and the University of Texas, two field hockey teams at Texas State College for Women (A&M's sister school) try to predict the score.

The two teams, one called A&M and the other Texas, play their annual game the Saturday before Thanksgiving and have been doing so for more than 20 years. Last year, the school paper reported that once, back before the war, A&M and UT battled to a stalemate just a week after the mock Thanksgiving game at TSCW had ended with the identical tie.

The score the teams made last year was 2-2, not quite equal to the 13-22 score that A&M and Texas really made.

(For those of you that don't know, Texas won.)

JUDGING CONTESTS

Several judging contests are held at A&M each year, and are open to freshmen students. Some of them are the Spring Dairy show, the Freshman-Sophomore Dairy Cattle Judging contest, the Little Southwestern Livestock show, and the Agricultural Judging contest.

Three Honors Open to Fish For Academics

Three academic honors are open to A&M freshman, including an honor society of their own.

The honor society is Phi Eta Sigma, national honor society for freshman men. Its purpose is to "encourage and reward scholarship among freshmen."

A grade point ratio of 2.5 in either the first semester or the first year of college work is required. This means a B plus average.

Although membership in the society is for life, the active Phi Eta Sigma chapter is composed of sophomore members only.

At the present, total membership in school is more than 200 persons.

To qualify as a distinguished student, a person must have no grade below C at the end of the semester, have completed at least 16 semester hours, and have a grade point ratio of not less than 2.25.

The distinguished student list is made up at the end of each semester, and a person named on the list receives a card entitling him to miss any class in which an announced test has not been scheduled.

The distinguished student list covers all four classes.

Alpha Zeta, national honorary agricultural fraternity, recognizes annually the five highest freshmen agricultural students with their Alpha Zeta Freshman Award.

A special award is presented at the School of Agriculture's spring banquet to the student who is considered the outstanding freshman in the School of Agriculture.

The awards are based on grades and other activities indicating leadership ability.

White Coliseum Anniversary Near

A&M's G. Rollie White Coliseum will celebrate its first anniversary Sept. 21. It was dedicated on this day last year.

The coliseum has a total floor space of 154,000 square feet on its three floors. Cost of the original building was more than \$1,500,000.

The use of folding bleachers and chairs on the floor provide a total of 8,500 seats for staged events. Maximum seating capacity for sports events is 7,247.

An addition to the coliseum extends the building 80 feet to the south for its full width.

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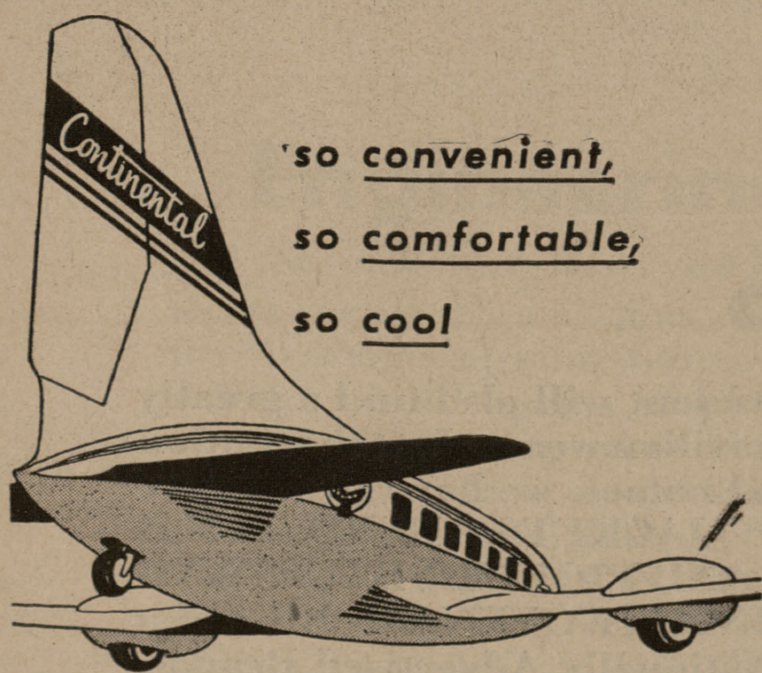
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