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Construction Work Started For Chapel

Construction has begun on the A&M Chapel, a \$250,000 gift of the Association of Former Students, by the R. B. Butler Construction Co. of Bryan. The building is to be located on the southwest corner of Houston and Jones Streets, across the street from the President's Home and immediately behind Law and Puryear Halls.

With ground-clearing now going on, the foundation is expected to be completed in about five weeks to be ready for the scheduled delivery of structural steel.

The chapel will be approximately 107 by 48 feet, and will face Houston Street. Building plans call for stone walls and a copper roof. In a south wing will be two offices and a prayer room; in the east wing, a waiting library, mechanical room, and women's and men's lounges.

A fence, six feet high made of perforated brick will separate the building on the south and west sides from the dormitories.

Campaign for the building was started by the Former Students Association in 1952. Since then, thousands of Aggies all over the world have contributed to it, according to J. B. "Dick" Hervey, secretary of the Association.

"Of all the gifts that former students have presented us, this is the finest and most wonderful," said W. T. Dougherty of Houston, president of the System Board of Directors.

Plans for the Chapel were drawn by Richard Vrooman of the A&M Architecture Division. The layout calls for the removal of

few trees in the area, with a stone curb around the trees which are not removed. Vrooman designed the plans so that it would fit within the trees and shrubbery of the area.

Assisting Vrooman were Howard R. Meyer, consulting engineer; A. M. Martin, structural engineer; J. W. Hall Jr., mechanical engineer; Richard N. Lane, acoustical engineer; and Robert F. White, acting college landscape architect.

Art Gallery Will Sponsor New Exhibition

The Art Gallery Group of the Memorial Student Center and the Texas Fine Arts Association will co-sponsor an exhibition of work of all interested artists and craftsmen of this district next month, according to Mrs. Emalita Terry, MSC art director.

All artists and craftsmen, regardless of experience and formal study, 15 years old and above, are eligible to submit two works for a jury to select for display and hanging in the MSC from May 16 to May 30. Special printed citation awards will be given for outstanding works and winning entries will be presented in a show at Laguna Gloria Museum, Austin, June 15 to Aug. 15. From this group, a special jury will make further awards and select works to be sent on a tour of the state.

Counties in the district include Brazos, Falls, Robertson, Madison, Grimes, Washington, Burleson, Lee, and Milam. Objective of the exhibition is to give all artists and craftsmen of the district a chance for recognition. Any medium is acceptable for exhibition. This includes leather work, paintings, sculpture, metal work and all other kinds of arts and crafts.

Deadline for entries is April 27. All entries should be sent to the Art Gallery Group of the MSC. The jury that will pick the outstanding works will be selected from a roster of established artists approved by the Art Gallery Group and the Texas Fine Arts Association.

Run-Off Elections

Run-off elections for class officers are being held today in the Memorial Student Center. Voting booths will remain open until 5:30 this afternoon. The class of 1957 has six run-off positions, the class of 1958 has eight and the class of 1959 has four run-off positions.



Tonight In Center

T. V. Smith Speaks For Great Issues

Dr. T. V. Smith, the "Sage of Syracuse", will make his second public appearance tonight in the Memorial Student Center ballroom. Sponsored by the MSC Great Issues Committee, he will speak on "Capitalism Unbloated".

His speech will include an evaluation of the distribution, production and consummatory systems of capitalism.

A native of Texas, Dr. Smith was born in a log cabin 10 miles from Blanket, Tex.—a city of 229 population. He received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Texas and later taught there. He also taught at Texas Christian University before moving north.

Before teaching at Syracuse University, where he has been a professor of poetry, politics, and philosophy for the past eight years, he taught at the University of Chicago for 25 years, where he had received his Ph.D.

"I am happy to be back on the A&M campus. I have been here several times and have always been made welcome," said Dr. Smith. He also praised the MSC saying, "Your Student Center is one of the grandest architectural structures I have had the privilege to be in."

Employees Dance Tomorrow Night

Tickets for the A&M Employees "last-chance" Dinner Dance went off sale at noon today. The dance will be held tomorrow night in the MSC at 7:30 p.m. It is the last dinner dance of the year for college employees, several of which are held during the year.

Dr. T. V. Smith

Meeting Rooms In 'Y' Honor 'Contributors'

Student Activities Dept. Now in 'Y' Bldg. Home

Five meeting rooms in the YMCA Building are to be named after local persons, who it was felt contributed most to making a success of the A&M 'Y' program.

"When the new rooms were built into the new quarters, it was decided to name them in honor of persons who had made large contributions to the program", said W. L. Penberthy, head of the Student Activities Department. "We also decided to name them for local people, rather than for national personalities in the YMCA," he said.

Those selected, and the inscription to be put on a bronze plaque outside of each room, are as follows:

First Floor

Brooks Room, "honoring Dr. T. D. Brooks, Dean, School of Arts and Sciences, who as Chairman of the YMCA Advisory Board for twelve years rendered invaluable service through his vision and inspiring leadership."

Second Floor

Anderson Room, "honoring Rev. Norman Anderson, whose unselfish life and wise counsel for many years has challenged students to do their best."

Gay Room, "honoring J. Gordon Gay, Associate and General Secretary of the YMCA, who, by his example and untiring efforts has promoted the cause of Christianity on the campus and in the community."

Cashion Room, honoring Mason L. Cashion, General Secretary of the YMCA "who for twenty-six years promoted the brotherhood of man on our campus and served as a Campus Father to a multitude of students."

Fountain Room, honoring Dr. Charles Perkins Fountain, Professor of English, "whose great vision and initiative made this YMCA building possible."

Cabinet Room, "honoring all former members of the YMCA Cabinet," also is on the first floor.

Latest addition in the YMCA Building is the Student Activities Department, headed by Walter L. Penberthy. The new quarters, which include besides a main office five private offices and a store room, are on the second floor.

Offices are for Penberthy; C. G. (Spike) White; Mrs. Ethelee Swilley, bookkeeper; W. D. (Pete) Hardesty; and for the president of the Student Senate, B. A. (Scotty) Parham.

All of the furniture for the rooms is new, and a long "half-moon" counter is in the middle of the main office. Combination light and dark green paint briefly complete the color scheme.

Weather Today

PARTLY CLOUDY

Partly cloudy with little change in temperature is forecasted for College Station. Yesterday's high of 73 degrees dropped to a low of 52 degrees last night. Temperature at 10:30 a.m. was 65 degrees.

Walton Paper Has Aroused Controversy

A paper presented by Prof. E. V. Walton, head of the Agricultural Education Department, at the Southern Regional Conference of agricultural educators held recently in Houston, has aroused southwide controversy, according to participants in the conference.

Walton attacked the 35-year-old basic purpose of vocational education in agriculture. The basic purpose of vocational agriculture as originally set forth maintained that vocational agriculture should exist for the purpose of establishing young men in farming.

Walton maintained that vocational agriculture should get in step with the times and train for proficiency in farming and related agricultural occupations. He pointed out that declining college enrollment in agriculture was a source of national concern to agricultural industry and that local vocational agriculture programs should accept responsibility for career guidance into professions closely connected with agriculture but not necessarily in the producer's field.

Other educators in the south felt that deviation from the original purpose would weaken the vocation program. Many observers felt that the division of opinion contributed to the interest of the participants in the Southern Regional program.

Watkins Conducts Special Program

Dr. T. D. Watkins of the Animal Husbandry Department will be a student in one and will conduct another special study program this month.

He is participating in the Livestock Market study program offered at the Swift and Company plant in Ft. Worth through Thursday of this week. April 28, he will conduct a wool school at the Kerrville Centennial sheep show.

Filings Now Open For MSC Council

Filings are now open for two positions on the Memorial Student Center Council. Saturday is the deadline.

One councilman will be chosen from the two classes '58-'59, and one from the class of '57. Broken down, this means that one will be selected from those students having been here more than four semesters and one from those having been here less than four semesters. All candidates must have a 1.0 g.p.r.

Those interested in running for the two offices have been urged by Center president, Herbert W. (Bud) Whitney to file their application in the Directorate Office. The election will be held Tuesday with the voting booth in the hall near the Post Office.

Whitney added that candidates should be interested in improving the MSC program and formulating policy for the Center.

Peniston Presented Gift Certificate

J. G. Peniston, supervisor of A&M dining halls, was presented a gift certificate by the College Station and Bryan Kiwanis clubs for his help on the recent Pancake Fiesta at the weekly luncheon meeting of the College Station club yesterday.

"Mr. Peniston has been extremely helpful to us in putting on the Pancake Fiesta for the past three years," said Dr. Charles LaMotte, president of the College Station club who, along with Jerry Massey, president of the Bryan Kiwanis, presented the award.

"I don't know what we would have done without the help of Mr. Peniston's knowledge of group cooking and serving," Massey said.

Kiwanis members saw a movie, "Tornadoes", shown by R. D. Tarble, local representative of the U. S. Weather Bureau. Tarble also outlined steps taken in receiving warning of the April 5 Bryan tornado.



AIRCRAFT SPOTTERS—Joe and Bill White and Johnnie Krenitsky are being shown aircraft spotter forms by T/Sgt. John L. George, S/Sgt. Robert E. Moore and Lt. Col. Percy Goff. Moore and George are here from Houston to help establish a ground observer squadron. Lt. Col. Goff is post supervisor for this area. —U.S.A.F. Photo

News of the World

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSCOW—The Soviet Union yesterday urged Israel and the Arab states to settle their conflict and offered to join other nations seeking peaceful solution of unsettled problems in the Middle East. At the same time, it pledged support of a U. N. program "to find ways and means of strengthening peace in the area of Palestine."

LONDON—Britain has rejected a Chilean protest against the establishment of two new antarctic bases west of Grahamland, a Foreign Office spokesman said yesterday.

WASHINGTON—Russia's offer to back peace efforts in the Middle East received a cautious welcome in Washington yesterday. And the Moscow announcement of the abolition of the Cominform, the international Communist organization, was dismissed as a rather meaningless gesture.

JERUSALEM, Israeli Sector—Dag Hammarskjold talked with top Israeli leaders twice yesterday in his search for peace in the Middle East. As the U.N. secretary general began his conferences here, backing came from an unexpected quarter. The Soviet Union pledged support for U.N. peace efforts.

LONDON—Britain's Conservative government last night established a state-run "no losers" lottery of cash prizes based on national savings bonds. The bonds will earn no interest. This novel appeal to the public's sporting instincts aimed at two financial goals: to boost savings quickly and to check inflation by curbing the demand for consumer goods.



NEW FACILITIES—Included among the conveniences of the new Student Activities office on the second floor of the YMCA, is this curved main desk at which most of the office's business is transacted.

Many Persons Expected For A&M's Muster

More than 5,000 persons from all over Texas are due to attend the Muster ceremony to be held here at 6:30 a.m., April 21.

J. Earl Rudder, state land commissioner, is the principal speaker at the ceremony which will be held in front of the Memorial Student Center. The ceremony will last about 45 minutes.

Introductory remarks will be made by Herbert W. Whitney, senior from Big Spring; the invocation by Harry Scott, senior from Amarillo; Allen Greer, senior from Dallas, will give "The Muster Tradition"; W. L. Ballard, class of '22 and president of the Association of Former Students, will deliver a talk; and Byron A. Parham, senior from Dallas, president of the Student Center, will give a talk.

Larry Kennedy, senior, cadet colonel of the Corps, from Houston; and John Jones, College Station senior and president of the Civilian Student Council, will deliver short talks.

David H. Morgan, president of the college, will introduce Rudder. After Rudder's speech, the band will play "The Spirit of Aggeland" and Paul Holladay, head yell leader from Baytown, will give the "Roll Call for the Absent."

One platoon of the Ross Volunteers will fire a volley followed by Silver Taps which will close the ceremony. The other platoon of the RV's will be in Liberty, Texas, participating in the San Jacinto Battle anniversary observances.

Three Named For Awards At Banquet

Award winners at the annual banquet of the A&M Future Farmers of America Chapter were James R. Sewell, senior; Glen C. Meadows, junior; and C. R. Ryan of the Poultry Husbandry Department.

Sewell was selected as the outstanding senior of the year and Meadows the outstanding junior. Ryan was chosen outstanding professor. The awards are made annually by the Agricultural Education Department.

Sewell is an Agricultural Education major from Fort Worth and Meadows is an AE major from Longview.

Another junior AE major was honored at the banquet. Dale M. Harill, from Saint Jo, Texas, was awarded a \$125 scholarship, given by the Future Farmers of America.