

Eight Senior Engineers Get Faculty Achievement Awards

Eight graduating seniors in the School of Engineering were presented with annual Faculty Achievement Awards last week at a faculty meeting of the School by Dean John C. Calhoun, Jr.

Robert C. Barlow, Fred C. Cox, Richard C. Durbin, John W. Jenkins, Paul A. Kennon, Kurt R. Nauck, Jr., Charles C. Newton and David C. Parnell were the seniors receiving the awards.

These awards are presented each year by the School of Engineering honoring the outstanding graduating seniors in the departments included in the school.

Robert M. Holcomb, of the Civil Engineering Department served as chairman of the selection committee this year.

Receiving an award in Chemical Engineering was Kurt R. Nauck from Beaumont.

Nauck has an overall grade point ratio of 2.66 and is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Pi, and Theta Kappa Phi honorary fraternities. He is a Former Students Opportunity Award Winner and was named Outstanding Freshman in his outfit, Outstanding Sophomore in his regiment, a member of best-drilled unit in the Corps and a member of the Ross Volunteers.

Nauck was active in intramural football and a member of a championship team. He has held office on Cadet Court, and Tau Beta Pi and treasurer of his hometown club, he is editor of AggieLand '56 and served as technical editor of The Engineer.

PAUL KENNON received an award from the Division of Architecture. He has maintained an overall gpr of 2.3 and is a member of Tau Beta Phi, honorary fraternity.

He has received numerous awards, among them are the following: J. Rodney Tabor Competition, first prize; Texas Concrete Masonry Competition, first prize selected to prepare portfolio a work of best fourth year student in Architecture; this folio was judged best among eight schools of Architecture in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana; awarded Grand Prize, Southwest Clay Products Competition at Houston Convention of Texas Society of Architects.

He was selected as one of 10 graduate students in Architecture from the entire United States to study at Cranbrook Academy of Fine Arts; received the Elie Saareinen Memorial Scholarship for study at Cranbrook; awarded Alpha Rho Chi medal for excellence in design and nominated for the Ernest Langford Award.

He served as a company commander in the Corps of Cadets

won a freshman and senior letter in football; president of Shreveport Hometown Club; secretary-treasurer, student chapter American Institute of Architects; A&M delegate to first nationwide Student Forum of Architectural Students at Washington, D.C., where he was elected a member of the board and named Regional Director of Southwest for that organization.

FRED B. COX, electrical engineering major from Temple, has maintained an overall gpr of 3.04 and is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi honorary fraternities. His awards include: second place winner in slide rule contest; General Electric Scholarship; nominee from A&M to national meeting of National Society of Manufacturers; winner of a National Science Foundation Scholarship for Graduate study.

A member of the Corps of Cadets he holds rank of a first lieutenant and participated in intramural athletics and a member of the Handball Club. He is a member of the Engineers' Council, secretary, Engineers Council and technical editor of The Engineer.

CHARLES C. NEWTON, architecture major from Tyler, has maintained an overall gpr of 2.62 and is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi honorary fraternities.

His awards include: first prize in Tile Council of America Competition; local winner and second place winner in state Featherite Competition; American Institute of Architects Students Medal; was one of 10 students in United States accepted at Cranbrook Academy of Fine Arts.

He is a member of the Aggie Band Drum and Bugle Corps and Ross Volunteers. He served as secretary for the Tyler-Smith County Hometown Club; member of Senior Court; MSC Key winner; member MSC Art Group.

RICHARD C. DURBIN, from Dallas, was selected from the Petroleum Engineering Department. Durbin has a grade point ratio of .52 and was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Phi and Phi Kappa Phi.

Durbin received the G. P. Mitchell Award as a junior, Magnolia Company scholarship for outstanding senior in Petroleum Engineering, G. P. Mitchell Award to the outstanding senior in Petroleum Engineering (a gold watch) and was elected to Who's Who.

He was platoon sergeant and supply officer of "C"-AAA.

He was a member of the Freshman Intramural Golf championship team.

Other activities include serving on the Junta Committee of the

MSC Directorate, president of the Pet. E. Club, Student Engineer's Council, treasurer of Student's Engineer's Council, cataloger and program chairman of Tau Beta Pi and technical editor of The Engineer.

DAVID C. PARNELL, senior chemical engineering major, received the award for Ch.E. majors. Parnell has maintained a grade point ratio of 2.90 and has been a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi.

In addition to his scholastic achievements, Parnell was a slide-rule contest winner, AI ChE winner, received the Carbide and Carbon Scholarship and was elected to Who's Who.

He was selected as outstanding freshman in Co. G and a member of the Freshman Drill team. He is currently platoon sergeant of the Ross Volunteers and serves as executive officer of the 2nd Regiment, holding the rank of Cadet Lt. Col.

Parnell has been a member of the Aggie Players, served as treasurer of the Student Senate, a member of the Student Life Committee. He was parliamentarian of the Student Life Committee, co-chairman of the Kyle Field Seating Committee, a delegate to SCONA, and served as co-chairman of pennant sales for the senior class.

ROBERT C. BARLOW received the award for aeronautical engineers. Barlow has a grade point ratio of 2.88 and was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Phi and Phi Kappa Phi. He was also a slide rule contest winner.

Barlow was chosen outstanding freshman in his squadron and later outstanding junior in his group. He is a member of the Ross Volunteer company and holds the rank of Cadet Major in the Corps of Cadets.

He has been a member of the swimming team, water polo team and is an intramural medal holder.

Barlow was elected secretary of his freshman class and secretary of Phi Eta Sigma. He has since served as chairman of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, been a member of the Basic Division Council, Student Engineer's Council and appointed chairman of the Inter-council Committee.

The Engineering Faculty Achievement Award for Civil Engineers has been awarded to JOHN W. JENKINS. Jenkins has a grade point ratio of 2.79 and was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi.

He was awarded second place in (See ENGINEERS, Page 6)



ENGINEERING FACULTY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS—1956 winners of the annual awards given by the School of Engineering. (front row) John W. Jenkins, Fred C. Cox, Charles C. Newton, Kurt R. Nauck, Jr. (back row) Dean John C. Calhoun, Jr., David C. Parnell, Robert C. Barlow, Selection Committee Chairman, Robert M. Holcomb. Paul A. Kennon was absent.

HST Denies Remark About Italy Campaign

NAPLES—(AP)—Harry S. Truman said yesterday he didn't want to embarrass anybody—but that in fact he never held "squirrel-headed" generalship responsible for the way allied landings were carried out below Rome in 1943-44.

He had been quoted as saying the Salerno and Anzio landings were unnecessary "and planned by some squirrel-headed general," also that there were a lot of easier places that could have been chosen for beachheads.

"I would make no comment like that," the former president told reporters.

"I had been listening to the conversation of several people who had been there. I am very sorry about it. But it's an embarrassing situation and I hope you'll clear it up."

Truman's secretary, Eugene Bailey, earlier had reported Truman made "a complete denial" of the quotations attributed to him Tuesday night. When reporters asked Truman himself about that, he said:

"I don't want to embarrass anybody, especially people who are with me and reporting on me. I never scold anybody when things don't go straight and I wish you would clear it up."

Fred Zusy, Associated Press reporter who is accompanying the Truman party during its tour of Italy, said Truman had been quoted accurately.

"My quotes were copied while the President was speaking to me

and were precisely as recorded," Zusy said. "Both in my memory and in the notes written down word by word as he spoke the quotes are as reported." A United Press reporter filed a similar story of Truman's comment and stood by it yesterday.

Bailey said Truman had spoken with Michael Chinigo of International News Service and that the criticism voiced was Chinigo's.

"It could not be true that the President told Zusy that," Bailey said. "He must have said that was what Chinigo had told him."

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What's Cooking

The schedule for tonight is as follows:

5:30

Hidalgo-Starr County Hometown Club picture must be retaken today in front of the Administration Building.

7:30

Bell County Hometown Club meets in the Academic Building, room 125 to plant a party.

Fort Worth Hometown Club meets.

YMCA meets to elect officers and plan an after-school party.

Becker Selected By Brenhamites

Fred Becker was elected president of the Brenham Hometown Club last night at a meeting in the YMCA. Other officers elected are Stanley Schwartz, vice-president; Edward Krueger, secretary-treasurer; Sid Wells, reporter and Ray Hahn, social chairman.

The group also appointed a committee to establish a Brenham Mothers' Club.