

# The Battalion

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**VISITING DIGNITARIES**—Pictured left to right are John Potter, finance examiner, Texas Commission of Higher Education; D. W. W. Armistead, Dean of Veterinary Medicine; Dr. David H. Morgan, president of A&M; John Hovenga, executive budget officer, Austin; Senator Neveille H. Colson of Navasota; Guy C. West, legislative budget office, Austin; Dr. Ralph Green, Director of Texas Commission of Higher Education.

## Budget Board Examiners Visit Campus This Week

Members of the state Legislative Budget Board and four members of the legislature attended hearings on the campus Monday and Tuesday involving budget requests for the A&M System for the next two years.

Examining the budget were Guy West, member of the legislative budget board from Austin; John Hovenga, member of the executive budget board; Dr. Ralph Greene, executive director of the Texas Commission for Higher Education and Johnny Potter, finance examiner for Texas Commission for Higher Education.

Together with Senator Neveille H. Colson from Navasota and Representatives Hershel C. Sherrill from McDade; Walter C. Schwartz from Brenham and B. H. Dewey, Jr. from Bryan, the members of the budget examining board sat in on hearings involving the proposed budget and were taken for a tour of the A&M System at College Station.

Tuesday the group was taken for a tour of the College and its facilities with Dr. David H. Morgan, president, and Dr. W. W. Armistead, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, conducting the morning tour which included: Veterinary Hospital, Oceanography Department; YMCA; Petroleum-

Geology Building and Forestry Laboratory.

Lunch was served in the Board of Directors' Room in the Board's Home.

Tuesday afternoon John C. Calhoun, dean of engineering, and Fred Benson, head of the Engineering Experiment Station, conducted the group on a tour of the facilities of the EES. They were met later by R. D. Lewis, director of the Agricultural Experiment Station and R. E. Patterson, vice-director of the AES who conducted the group on a tour of the farms and research centers.

## Kiwanians Hear Appeal For Children's Clinic

A stirring appeal for "moral and financial" help was made to College Station Kiwanians at their Tuesday meeting at the MSC.

J. O. Alexander and Dan Chadbourne appealed to the members of the club for help in an undertaking to see a Crippled Children's Clinic built in the College Station-Bryan area.

Speaking from experience, Alexander told Kiwanians that "both he and Chadbourne had afflicted children and it would only take about 15 minutes of time being around a child in that situation to wring your heart."

Outlining a program for action Alexander told Kiwanians the clinic his group is trying to get placed here "will admit all children with all types of crippling diseases instead of trying to specialize. The treatment would be free to those who could not afford to pay."

When asked what response the doctors in this area had given

Alexander answered that "the doctors are behind us 100 per cent."

An initial outlay of at least \$7,500 would be the bare minimum which would include only one physical therapist. A board of directors would be selected from leading doctors, ministers and laymen from this area.

Regarding finances Alexander related the Easter Seal campaign would be a big asset. Eighty-five per cent of this money stays in the county and the remaining 15 per cent goes to the state.

"We need your help to make this venture a success," Alexander said, "and with your help we can make this effort to help our children and the areas surrounding Bryan and Brazos County."

Other business of the meeting Joe Sorrels was unanimously selected as the College Station's candidate for vice-president of District 9 of Kiwanis International. The election will take place at Corpus Christi in October.

## Room Reservations For Fall Open Monday

Students may reserve rooms for the fall semester beginning Monday at 8 a. m. in the Housing Office, according to Harry Boyer, chief of housing.

All students with their belongings must be moved to their new rooms by 6 p. m. Friday, Aug. 24, Boyer said. Dormitories now closed will be unlocked between the hours of 1 p. m. and 5 p. m. Friday in order students may make this move.

All dormitories, except Bizzell Hall, will be locked at 6 p. m. Friday, August 24, to protect student property.

Civilian students will occupy the following dormitories during the fall semester: Milner, Leggett, Mitchell, Law, Puryear, Dormitory 16, Bizzell, Walton (ramps F, G, H, I, J, K) and Hart Hall (ramp A, B, C, D, E).

Corps of Cadets will occupy Dormitories 1 through 12 and -4, 15, and 17.

Football and basketball athletes will live in Walton, ramps A

through E. Spring sport athletes will live in Hart, ramps F through J.

Students may reserve rooms and pay fees by the following schedule:

Those students now living in Law, Puryear, Walton, 16 and Bizzell who wish to occupy the room they have now must reserve their rooms between 8 a. m. Monday and 5 p. m. Tuesday. If you wish to reserve a room other than in these five dormitories you may do so at the same time, but must present a room change slip from the housemaster concerned. After 8 a. m. Wednesday these rooms will go on a first-come, first served basis.

Students desiring to reserve a room in a dormitory now closed must do so on a first-come, first served basis beginning Monday at 8 a. m. (this includes those students planning to be in the Corps of Cadets)

Day students, including those in College - owned apartments, are urged to secure Day Student Slips and pay fees early to avoid the rush, according to Boyer.

## Keep Children Away

### Bats May Carry Rabies

By JOHN OSBORN  
Battalion Staff Writer

Rabies could be the cause of the large numbers of dead bats noticed recently in the College Station-Bryan area and all parents are urged to keep their children away from sick or dead bats, announced Dr. E. S. Freeman of the County Health Unit recently.

John P. Delaplaine, head of Department of Veterinary Microbiology, has discussed the problem at length with Richard P. Eads of the State Public Health Service. During these discussions Delaplaine found this incident is not the first time bats have been found dying in the same manner.

"One Texas community experienced the same trouble we are having only last year", Delaplaine said. "At that time rabies was determined to be the causative agent."

Delaplaine added the live bats he has observed around the campus have not been acting normally—they seem to have lost their sense of orientation.

When asked whether these dead

bats should be considered dangerous, he said "Contact with these animals should be avoided. Sick birds should be avoided also as they are hosts to psittacosis (parrot fever) and encephalitis (sleeping sickness) organisms which can be transmitted to man from diseased birds."

It will be recalled by many Aggies that George Menzies, '39, died earlier this year of rabies. Menzies had been working in bat caves near Austin trying to isolate parasites from these animals. He was employed by the State Public Health Service at the time of his death. Most authorities believe he contracted rabies from bats, however, the cause of his sickness is still unknown.

Manning A. Price, of A&M's Entomology Department, says "Bats are considered a natural reservoir of the rabies virus. They may carry the virus up to 90 days before it eventually kills them."

Price said that entomologists are conducting research to determine whether bat parasites can transfer the disease from one bat to another or from a bat to another species of animal. The answers to these questions could have far-reaching results.

Date tickets to all home football games will be sold at the reduced price of \$2.50 each between Sept. 14th and Sept. 21st.

After Sept. 21 all date tickets will be sold at the regular price which is \$3.50, according to Pat Dial of the athletic office.

In order to buy date tickets at \$2.50 it is necessary that a student activity card be purchased. Tickets will be sold at regular prices to those who do not purchase the student activity card. There will not be a special rate for date tickets for games that are played away from home.

## GI's Must Report

All veterans currently enrolled in school and planning to enroll in September should contact the Veteran's Advisor before leaving in August, announced Bennie A. Zinn, veteran advisor. Pay forms may be signed at this time.

## Flight Training Planned for A&M

Plans for flight training for those cadets enrolled in Air Force ROTC will be ready by the time the fall semester begins, announced Col. Henry Dittman, professor of air science.

The announcement came from the Military Science Department after a message from Maxwell AFB, Ala., sent to the local PAS which stated "A&M has been selected as one of 38 institutions to implement the program which became law Aug. 1."

Further information regarding this program will be released in time for the fall semester.

## Plans Made for \$1 Million Shopping Center Near Circle

### At MSC Tuesday, Wednesday X-Ray Survey at CS

Citizens of College Station and students at A&M are reminded to keep the days of Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 21 and 22 in mind as the days the X-Ray Survey will be made in this area urged Ran Boswell, city Survey chairman.

The units will be available only a day and a half at the MSC. Tuesday the units will be in operation from noon until 5:30 p. m. and Wednesday from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m.

All persons 15 years of age and older are eligible to get this X-Ray, free of charge, and protect themselves from the threat of tuberculosis, Boswell said.

People over 55 are especially urged to get their chest X-Ray, said Boswell. "This age group is more susceptible than others according to tests."

Part of a long-range program to rid our country of the threat of TB the X-Ray is furnished by the State Department of Health with local expenses paid by the Brazos County TB Association out of

Christmas Seal Sale funds.

"Twice the number of men have TB as compared with women", Boswell pointed out, "and even though a person had an X-Ray last year, he should get another this year. TB can be caught and develop in the lungs in less than a year's time."

### CHS Annuals Here

The A&M Consolidated High School annuals will be distributed at 7:30 p. m. Friday on the High School slab.

Students are asked to bring their pens for the affair after which cokes will be served.

### Hedge Fires Add to Heat; Several Burn

Last week two burned in front of Stephen F. Austin High School in Bryan and yesterday volunteer firemen in College Station lost 10 minutes out of their dinner hour rushing to the scene of a fire which destroyed a triangle of hedges in front of the Cushing Memorial Library.

The fire was self-contained between the sidewalks and soon burned itself out.

A crowd of curious students quickly gathered to watch as firemen with fire extinguisher units quenched the blaze, apparently started from a match or cigarette.

### 223 to Graduate; No Services Set

The Registrar's Office has announced 223 students are candidates for degrees on Aug. 24. There are no formal commencement services scheduled.

Of the total candidates, 88 have applied for advanced degrees and 135 are eligible for baccalaureate degrees.

Fifteen are candidates for doctor of philosophy, 26 for master of education, 43 for master of science, and one each in master of agriculture, master of business administration, and master of engineering.

### WTAW Silenced; Blame Transmitter

If you have had trouble tuning in radio station WTAW since last Thursday it is because they have been off the air to replace a burned-out transmitter.

"Installation of a remote-control system six week ago was probably the reason for the trouble", said Mrs. Elsie Patranella, acting manager. "The old transmitter was not equipped for remote-control and the overload caused it to burn out."

### Gone Six Years

It has been six years since P. J. Gazder has seen his family. He came to A&M in 1950 from his home in Calcutta, India, to study animal breeding, and will leave this week with an M. S. in genetics and a Ph. D. in animal husbandry.

Gazder plans to stop over in London, Paris and Cairo on his homeward trek and is looking forward to seeing two of his brothers while in London.

His older brother, A. J. Gazder, is doing post-graduate work in pediatrics in London and, a younger brother R. J. Gazder, is finishing up his work for an Arts and Science degree in composition there.

The slim 29-year old "doctor soon-to-be" came to the United States and Texas A&M after being employed by one of the largest dairies in Calcutta, the Express Dairy, to raise the standards of their milking herd.

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### Three Former Students On Board of Directors

Plans for a million-dollar shopping center to be constructed in the near future near the Circle have been announced by H. E. Burgess, '39, local real estate and insurance agent.

Still in the drawing board stage, the new development will be located on The Circle at the intersections of Sulphur Springs Road and College Avenue.

Land for the new center will be purchased from Cecil Culpepper of Bryan and these transactions are still underway.

Burgess, only local member of the board of directors of the firm to construct the center, said that two more former students are members of the board. They are R. W. (Bob) Martin, '49 and Lincoln Hirsch, '49, both from Dallas. Several other men comprise the board.

Texas Shopping Centers, Inc., of Dallas, is the firm that will construct the new center. They have developed similar units of this type throughout the state.

Plans for the building will be drawn by Caudill, Rowlett & Scott, architects from Bryan. They, together with Burgess, will travel to Dallas Sept. 8 for a meeting of the board to complete final plans for the unit.

Included in the plans is space for about 18 to 20 business units which will have a supermarket, drug store and filling stations.

"Several national concerns have shown an interest in the development," said Burgess, "and two filling stations have applied for contracts for space."

Actual construction date on the 14-acre tract of land has not been completed but will be set at the September meeting.

### Lions Urge All To Get Series Of Polio Shots

Importance of securing Salk Polio Vaccine shots was stressed at the regular meeting of the College Station Lions Club Monday in the MSC.

Dr. E. E. Holt, MD, informed members of the medical aspects of the vaccine, describing its growth and cultivation.

"A person who has been vaccinated with Salk vaccine is immune for at least three years and perhaps longer", Dr. Holt said.

"No one knows if the immunity will last longer or not. Shots are recommended for anyone above six months of age", he added.

"The vaccine is completely safe", Jack T. Kent, chairman of the Brazos County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, told the club. "No person who has taken all three of the required series of shots has ever been affected by the disease", he added.

Polio germs fall into three categories and the Salk vaccine prevents all three forms, the speakers said.

All persons are eligible for the shots, which cost \$10 for the series. Those not able to pay for the shots may contact the County Health Department and get them free.

### Announcements In

Graduation announcements for the summer grads have arrived and may be picked up at the Office of Student Activities, according to C. G. (Spike) White.

Extras are available in all three types—paper—cardboard and leather—and may be purchased on a first-come-first served basis.

### Active Duty Calls Local Reservists

Lt. Col. William S. McCulley, Commander of the 9807th Air Reserve Squadron, reported for active duty at the Air Force Special Weapons Center at Kirkland Air Force Base, New Mexico. His tour of duty which began Aug. 13 will last 15 days.

Two members of the same squadron, S/Sgt. Richard L. Bentley, Jr. and S/Sgt. James D. McMaster, began a 15-day active duty period with the 3530th Pilot Training Wing, Bryan Air Force Base. Both are students at A&M and reside in College Station.

Lt. Col. Noel R. Strader spoke on "The Strategic Bombers of the United States Air Force" at Monday's general training meeting. A color movie of the Strategic Bombers was shown during the program.

## Returns to India With PhD

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the research necessary for his doctors' degree, he has found time to "bum around the country."

While "bumming" around he has written a book on the History of the Brahman Cattle, become a recorded judge for the American Horse Shows Association and is considered an authority on Arabian and Quarter Horses.

In addition he found time to judge two horse shows in Houston, one in Chicago and recently turned down an offer to judge a show in Colorado because of his plans to return to India.

When asked if he had had any one experience while in the states that stood out from the rest he grinned and said that "one might compare me with a radio receiver. I've been tuned in to receive and

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P. J. GAZDER

### Weather Today

Partly Cloudy

Partly cloudy is the forecast for College Station. Yesterday's high of 104 degrees dropped to 76 degrees early this morning. Temperature at 10:30 this morning was 93 degrees.