

# Ag Freshman Found Guilty; Fined \$200

## Burleson County Court Revokes Driver's License

James Harold Bingham Jr., band freshman, has been found guilty of negligent homicide and fined \$200 and court costs, Burleson County Attorney Jim Gray said yesterday. Bingham's driver's license was revoked for six months by the sentence, handed down from Judge Clint Lewis' County Court. Gray said Bingham waived a jury trial after changing defense counsel and the trial was held about three weeks ago. It had been tentatively set for yesterday.

The case concerned an October 21 traffic accident in which four Brenham residents lost their lives. Bingham, 18, mechanical engineering major from Hamilton, and the other passenger of his car, Gary Clements, were hospitalized for several days after the wreck with severe cuts and bruises.

The intersection of Farm roads 50 and 60 eight miles west of College Station was the scene of the accident.

Highway patrolman Jimmy Kukecka said after investigating the wreck it might have been caused by a misjudgement of distance by both drivers.

The prosecution insisted that Bingham was "driving at an excessive rate of speed" when the accident happened.

Patrolman Kukecka did not comment on the speed of either driver. He said there were skid marks

several feet long left by Bingham's car. Bingham's trial came after an uncontested postponement, December 6.

Gray said Bingham had earlier retained as defense a Bryan attorney but was represented by a Caldwell attorney at the trial.

Gray said the defense had given up hope for an "innocent" verdict and went ahead with the trial.

# Aggies Win Last Place As 'Sports'

A&M took last place in the annual Southwest Conference Sportsmanship award voting for the year 1956 as SMU was given the trophy of good sportsmanship.

Meeting in Dallas during the holidays, the committee awarded the trophy at halftime of the Cotton Bowl game.

Second place went to Arkansas, Rice and TCU tied for third place and Baylor took fifth.

A&M representatives to the meeting were Larry Piper, Senate president; Bill Cockerham, executive secretary; Bill Dorsey, head yell leader and Jim Bower, Battalion editor.

Included in the action taken by the committee was the formation of a subcommittee to study the possibility of getting money to defray some of the expenses and to pay the executive secretary.

Committee members also voted to change the tradition of the committee to the extent that the executive secretaryship be changed each year along with the chairman.

In the past A&M has always furnished the secretary since the committee was originated by The Battalion in 1947.

Next meeting of the organization is in the Spring along with the annual SWC Track Meet.

## Weather Today

Continued cloudiness is expected in the area. Yesterday's high was 63 degrees and this morning's low, 61. The temperature at 10:30 a.m. was 70 degrees.

# Kamm Appointed To Natl. Committee

Dr. Robert B. Kamm, Dean of the Basic Division and Student Personnel Services has been named to the Commission on Student Personnel of the American Council of Education.

Dr. Kamm began his three-year term with the commission on the first of the year. The commission studies student personnel services in American higher education. Kamm will attend a meeting of the commission January 29th-30th in Washington.

Currently president-elect of the American College Personnel Association, Kamm will take over these duties this April.

"We are proud to have Dean Kamm as a member of, and officer-elect of these organizations," Acting President D. W. Williams said yesterday. "It is a high honor for Dean Kamm and the College."

# Questions And Answers On Salk Polio Vaccine

(Ed. Note: This is the first in a series of articles dealing with the problem of Polio and the steps taken against it through the March of Dimes.)

Q. Are polio cases decreasing?  
A. Yes, thanks largely to the Salk vaccine. In 1956 the number of new cases dropped to about 16,000 after ranging between 27,000 and 57,000 for several years. However, there are still 80,000 Americans suffering the after-effects of polio.

Q. How many people have been inoculated with the Salk vaccine?  
A. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis estimated last October that only 43,000,000 of the nation's 168,000,000 population had begun the series of three shots.

Q. What has the Salk vaccine actually accomplished?  
A. It is too early to make any exact claims but it is estimated that the Salk vaccine kept about 1,200 children from be-

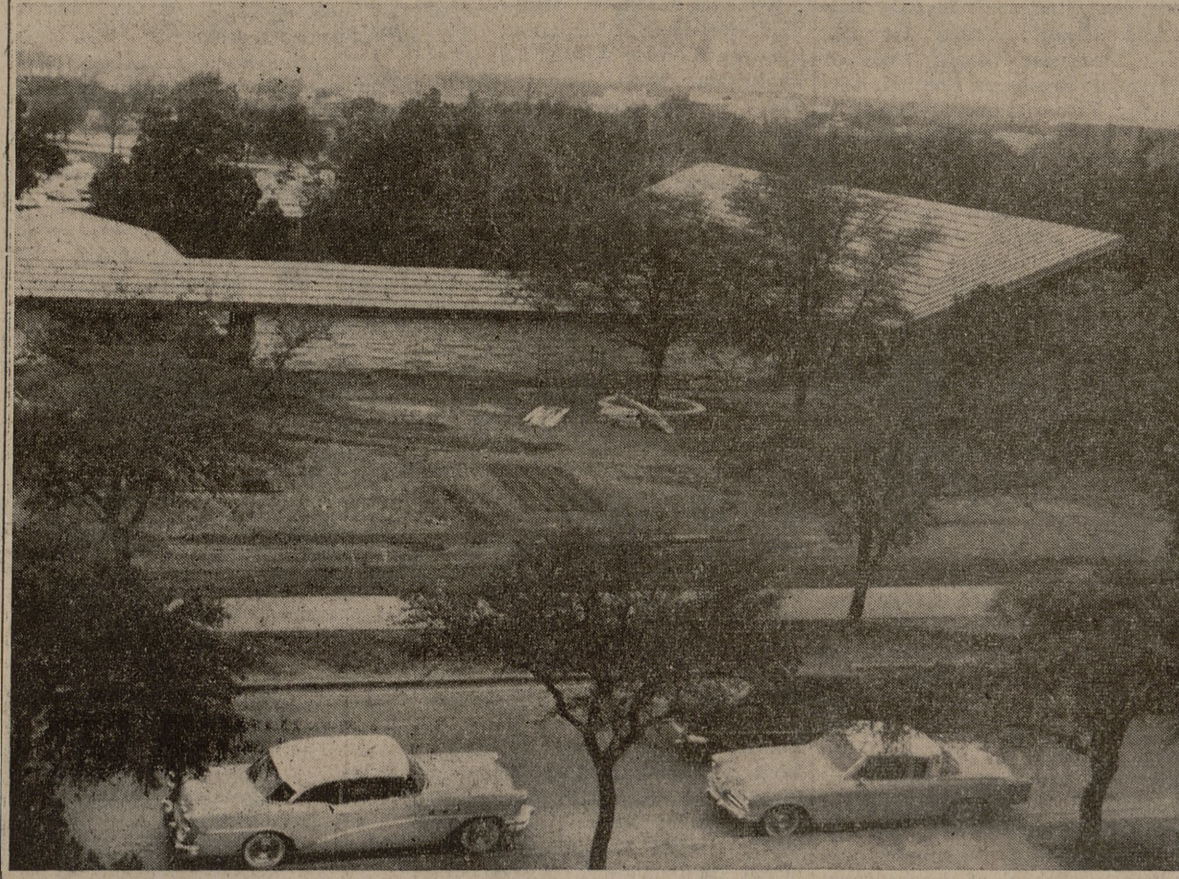
coming victims of paralytic polio in 1955. In 1956, polio was far lower than the five-year average.

Q. Why are three shots of Salk vaccine needed to provide "full immunization" against polio?  
A. The first two shots, spaced a month apart, insure primary immunization to most persons; the third shot, seven months after the second, is the one that prolongs the period of immunity.

## Vaccine Available

Salk vaccine polio shots are available to all students at the college hospital. A charge of \$1 is made to cover the cost of the vaccine.

"The shots have always been available to students, and rumors to the contrary are false," said Dr. C. R. Lyons, College Hospital Superintendent.



LANDSCAPING HAS BEGUN—on the former Student's gift, the Memorial Chapel at the corner of Houston and Jones Streets. Scheduled to be completed by early spring the chapel will cost \$250,000.

## Ready and Eager

# Livestock and Wool Judges On Way To Denver Contests

Ten members of the Livestock and Wool Judging Teams, representing A&M, left the campus this morning at 5 a. m. headed for the Intercollegiate Judging Contests which will be held in Denver, Colo., this weekend.

The teams seemed in high spirits about their chances of improving last year's record which was the best chalked up in recent years by A&M teams.

Members of the Livestock Team, coached by W. T. (Dub) Berry are: Curtis Burlin, Stanley Keese, Homer Smith, Charles E. (Ted) Montgomery, John Kiker and Jack Estes.

Coached by A. R. Thallman, members of the Wool Team making the trip include: W. E. (Bill) Davis, Jr., Neal Meares, C. C. Castleberry, and Norman Griggs.

The teams will travel together and visit several places of interest along the way. Stops picked for visits are the Pronger Bros. Here-

ford Ranch at Stratford, Tex., which is owned by Al Pronger, '42; Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell, Okla. and several registered breeders of all types of livestock in Colorado.

Friday morning the Livestock team will begin their competition by entering the Carload Judging Contest in Denver which is a prelude to the Intercollegiate Contest scheduled to begin Saturday morning.

Wool Judges will begin their activities Saturday.

Sunday at noon a banquet will be served to all members of the teams from over 20 colleges and universities which have teams entered in the contest. At this time awards will be made for the Livestock contests. Sunday night the

Wool Teams will attend a banquet in their honor where awards will be presented.

The teams will begin making their way back toward Texas Monday morning and are scheduled to arrive here late Tuesday.

# Aggieland Picture Schedule

Today is the last day for juniors, seniors and graduate civilian students whose names begin with "A" through "G" to have their pictures made for the 1957 Aggie during the regularly allotted time.

Students so classified whose names begin with H-N are scheduled Thursday and Friday. These days are also set aside for freshmen and sophomore makeup pictures.

Portraits will be made at the Aggie Studio between 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. Coats and ties should be worn, the picture schedule says.

# Aggie Players Plan For Follies of 1957

The Aggie Players will meet tonight at 7:30 in room 3C of the Memorial Student Center to discuss their spring production and the Aggie Follies of 1957.

Casting for the play will start soon, said C. K. Esten, director. The play, "Skin of Our Teeth", is a satirical comedy by Thornton Wilder. Production will be near the end of March, Esten said.

Esten invites all persons in this area to attend if they are interested in drama or work on the Follies.

Title of the '57 Follies is tentatively "Operation: Coed", publicity director Connie Eckard said.

# CS State Bank Pays Stockholders

A 10 per cent dividend was ordered paid for the year ending Dec. 31, 1956 to stockholders of the College Station State Bank, according to Harold Sullivan, president.

The directors of the bank also authorized a payment of three per cent interest to be paid on savings accounts, the maximum allowed by commercial banks, Sullivan added.

## Check That Gun

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—A highway patrolman, bringing in a prisoner for drunk driving, stopped at the desk to check his gun. It's a rule that officers can't take their pistols near the jail where prisoners might grab them. As the patrolman slapped his pistol on the desk, the prisoner reached into his pocket and brought out his own gun. "Here," he said, "you better take mine, too." Police were so embarrassed they refused to give out the name of either the patrolman or his prisoner.

# Arts, Sciences Council Asks Parking Study

## Propose Control Lifting At Splinter Village Lot

Arts and Sciences Council members voted last night to recommend the Day Student parking lot northeast of Splinter Village be opened to all students for a three week's trial period.

The recommendation will be made to Fred Hickman, Campus Security chief, since the Council decided that the lot isn't being filled by day students. It was reported that some stu-

dents with military classes from 2 to 4 p. m. Thursday in the "shacks" need to drive their cars to the lot and park so they can get back to their dormitories in time for drill.

Should the day students need the lot, the council said, it could then be returned to them.

Members also accepted a report by Bill McCarty, chairman of the Parking Committee, providing for other recommendations to Campus Security officers.

Suggestions included hardsurfacing all permanent lots, informing day students they can park in the lot behind G. Rollie White Coliseum and constructing a lane for parking between the day student lot behind the Petroleum Engineering Building and the lot northeast of Splinter Village.

The last recommendation was made as a result of Chief Hickman's report that the lot behind the building was filled to "120 per cent capacity".

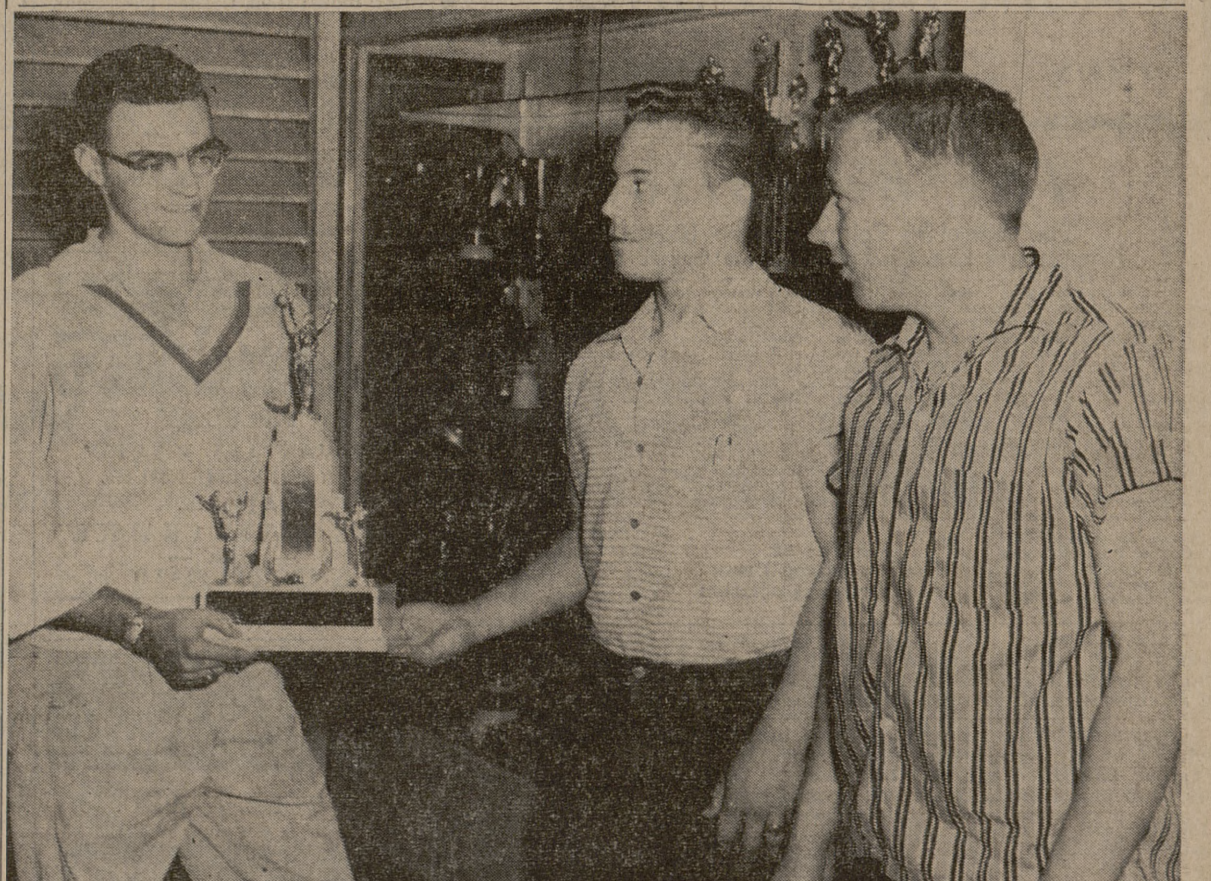
Hickman said that constructing the lane would allow day students not able to find parking places in the crowded lot to drive easily into the other lot. He says that it might cut down on day students' tickets for parking on the streets.

The Council will also suggest that officers bear down on reckless drivers on the campus.

# A&M Students Attend Ad Meeting

Four students and one professor from Texas A&M represented the Department of Journalism at the Texas Daily Newspaper Association's annual seminar in Austin last week.

Wes Calvert, of A&M's Journalism Dept. and four Journalism students, Connie Eckard, David McClain, John Hopkins, and Gary Rollins were invited to represent Texas A&M. Other colleges attending were Texas Christian University, Texas Technological College, Sam Houston State Teachers College, University of Houston, and Kilgore College.



CHS SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY — Consolidated High School student body president Maurice Olian, left, and CHS football co-captains Bill Hall, right, and Garland Andrews are shown with the District 2 AA Sportsmanship Trophy awarded each year by the Navasota Lions Club to the team in the district voted the outstanding sportsmen. This is the third consecutive year that CHS has won the award, according to principal J. J. Skrivaneck.