

Student Help Needed

All of a sudden it seems the various student governing bodies on the campus have come to life. Monday night while the Arts and Sciences Council was busy drafting recommendations on the parking and traffic situation, the Engineering Council was earnestly discussing the problem of low grades among the engineering freshmen. The Senate currently is wrestling with a compulsory insurance program.

Such worthwhile interest is enough to restore faith to even the most severe critics of these groups. As to the outcome of these projects there can be only speculation. Naturally they need student participation whether it be for or against.

Since they are the voices of the student body, they can't speak very true if they aren't helped. Both Councils have problems not uncommon to college officials and can most likely get official support as well as that of the students. No one wants bad grades or a poor parking situation.

Apparently the Senate itself is undecided over the insurance program. First a general election was decided to see if it carried student body agreement and then it was called off.

Unless it is planned for the insurance program to die without a student vote it probably will be discussed at the Senate meeting tomorrow night.

The idea of accident insurance is good, but it doesn't seem necessary for it to be compulsory for all students who pay their medical fees.

Any program that can't stand on its own merit and has to be compulsory is not worth having.

Regardless of the opinion, both of the Councils and the Senate need student interest or they no longer fill their purpose in serving the student body.

Aggie Players Hold Try-Outs

Director C. K. Esten announced last night that try-outs for the Aggie Players next production will be held Thursday and Friday nights in the Music Hall at 7:30.

At a meeting of the drama group last night, Esten announced that the Players would present "Skin of Our Teeth" by Thornton Wilder March 25, 26, 27, 29 in the Memorial Student Center.

Vic Weining will assist Esten in the direction of the satirical Wilder comedy which deals with the development of mankind.

Both men urged that students and others in the community interested in stage work come to the Music Hall Thursday or Friday night.



MIDNIGHT--ONE MORE NIGHT WITHOUT SLEEPING

Group Looks For Top-Notch Farmer

Five Texas Research Foundation committees are searching the state for a farmer or rancher who will be awarded the \$5,000 1957 Hobitzelle Award for the Advancement of Texas Rural Life.

The award will be presented to the Texas farmer or rancher who has made the most notable contribution to agriculture in the state for the three-year period from Jan. 1, 1954 through Dec. 31, 1956.

The \$5,000 cash and a gold medallion, will be given at the annual Field Day and Awards Dinner of Texas Research Foundation at Renner May 22.

Regional committees throughout the state have been named to receive and to make nominations of candidates. In East Texas the regional committee is headed by Bob Murdock, East Texas Agricultural Council, Tyler. Other members of this committee are Albin T. Chalk, Soil Conservation Service, Mt. Pleasant; and Harold Freeman, Humble Oil and Refining Co., Houston.

Nominations are open until March 1, and may be made by individuals, groups or agencies. Committees are requested to give equal consideration to all Texas farmers and ranchers irrespective of creed, color and nationality.

The Hobitzelle Agricultural Awards were established in 1950 by Karl Hobitzelle, Texas theatre man and philanthropist to recognize outstanding contributions to agriculture and to sciences which serve agriculture.

The 1957 award is intended for "adult individuals actively participating in farming or ranching who have made an outstanding direct contribution to the betterment of rural life," says secretary Fred Shaw.

Shaw says that anyone who wishes may nominate a farmer or rancher. Nominations must be forwarded not later than March 1, 1957 to the chairman of the regional committee with a full description of the achievement of the candidate and any available printed supporting data.

Boxing Entries Booming For Local Tourney

Coach Andy York of the A&M Boxing team announced last night several additions had been made to the list of teams fighting in this weekend's tournament at DeWare Field House.

Large entries in the high school division loomed with teams from Cut and Shoot and Waco accepting the invitation to pugilism. Paul Adams, who fought for the Maroon and White last year has entered on the Cut and Shoot team, York said.

Weigh-ins for the three-day tournament will be held in G. Rollie White Coliseum Thursday between 3 and 5 p.m. There will be eight weight divisions in each of the three classes. These classes, high school, novice and open, are determined by the experience that each boy has had in the ring.

The benefit tournament is being backed by the College Station Lions Clubs. Cost of the meet is being paid by advertising and sponsorship being sold by the club. Any profits will be donated to charities for needy children. Admission to the bouts will be free to the public.

What's Cooking

Hamilton-Coryell Hometown Club will meet in room 125, Academic Building Thursday at 7:30 p. m. An important meeting concerning the Aggeland picture will be discussed.

AICHE will meet at 7:30 p. m. in room 104 of the Petroleum Engineering Building. A speaker will be on the program.

Kiwanians Install Three New Officers

W. K. (Bill) Clark, staff member of Sam Houston State Teachers College in Huntsville, will be the featured speaker at the 12th annual College Station Kiwanis Club Installation Banquet in the Ball Room of the Memorial Student Center tonight.

In addition to the installation of officers for the coming year, the club will be celebrating its 12th birthday. It was chartered January 9, 1945.

District Lt. Governor Joe Sorrels will install W. E. (Woody) Briles as president; John Longley as first vice president; and Bob Shrode, second vice president.

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College Station, Texas

at close of business, Dec. 31, 1956.

RESOURCES:

Cash	\$ 732,572.01
U. S. Government bonds	756,892.70
Municipal bonds	64,003.40
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	4,800.00
Loans	1,260,529.14
Banking House	28,200.00
Furniture and Fixtures	14,400.00
Other Real Estate Owned	1.00
Prepaid Insurance	600.00
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$2,861,998.25

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	70,000.00
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