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Off the Cuff What Goes On Here

Dear "Off the Cuff:"

We have read of the fellow being hit by the lamp post and the tree jumping out in front of the automobile but what we would really like to see is "one of our students being hit by the Memorial Student Center" (As in column Feb. 26)

P. S. Let's sue Wayne Stark. (Ed. Note: The mentioned incident refers to wording of the story " . . . one of our students was hit on the street by the Memorial Student Center.")

The post card was not signed.

Gene King, of A&M's Animal Husbandry Department, will leave this afternoon for Dallas where he will act in an advisory capacity with the National Independent Meat Packer's Association in establishing a similar group in Texas.

One of Col. Henry P. Dittman's favorite stories for men in the Air Science Department is the tale of the Turkish Soldiers in Korean prison camps.

Although separated from their officers, the soldiers obeyed the highest ranking man left and presented a united front against all Communist propaganda. When asked the reason for this loyalty and strength, one soldier answered proudly "I'm a Turk."

Yesterday, as lines of white-faced Air Force Juniors waited to get immunization shots for summer camp, several anxious cadets noticed one of their number standing apart with a confident look on his face.

When asked the reason for his calmness in the face of danger, his well-conditioned response was, of course, "I'm a Turk."

Twenty-two boys, all members of the AH 307 (Meats) class will spend all day Tuesday touring the facilities of the Houston Packing Co. and the Port City Stockyards in Houston.

J. W. Gossett, Doug Wythe, Bill Thomas and W. T. Berry of the Animal Husbandry Department are in Houston organizing and conducting the 4H and FFA Livestock Judging Contests.

Army Seniors Flight Hinted

Army seniors who are qualified for the impending flight program stand a good chance of receiving their training as pilots this semester.

Col. Delmer P. Anderson, PMS &T, is very "optimistic the army will be able to conduct its flight program this school year." However, the college must first determine the proposal that will be drafted to the commanding general of the 4th Army.

Biggest difficulty being met by local authorities is ground school training for the future army pilots. Presently there are about 25 army seniors qualified for the program. They have expressed an

Board Backs Bill For ASC, TSC

Backing of the A&M Board of Directors was added this week to the bids of Tarleton State College and Arlington State College for four year status.

Members of the State Commission for Higher Education were given a brochure by Dr. M. T. Harrington, A&M System chancellor, asking that the Commission join the System directors in recommending that the 55th Legislature make the change in the colleges, both branches of the System.

A new state law requires that any such changes be referred to the Commission before consideration by the Legislature, so the Commission is making a study of the request.

Many Absent From Regular Senate Meeting

Ask For James Sarran Memorial In Chapel

By JIM NEIGHBORS

Student senators met last night in the Memorial Student Center and held their regular business meeting in the Senate Chambers with Larry Piper presiding.

Following the invocation by Tom Harris, senate chaplain, Recording secretary Jon Hagler called the roll with many of the senators absent.

Using the agenda as a guide, Piper delved into old business and called for standing committee reports. Election Committee chairman Tom Hennard reported that an election was held last week and he expressed his committee's appreciation for help the senators gave them.

According to the agenda, a report on insurance was scheduled to follow the election committee. However, members of that committee had not prepared a report so, none was given.

Joe David Ross took the floor and informed the Senate that he hoped everybody had not given up the idea of a group insurance policy. He said he had been working with college officials and had talked with two different insurance men about college insurance. He said he was unable at the present time to disclose what companies the men worked for.

Malcolm A. (Buddy) Maedgen told the Senate of the impending Texas Intercollegiate Students Association convention scheduled to be held in Beaumont later this month.

Stemming from Tom Harris' Welfare Committee report, much discussion was raised over the placement of a memorial honoring the late James Sarran for his bravery. The committee had two suggested sites for the memorial, but neither seemed to be acceptable to the local legislators.

Several senators said they were under the impression the Senate had already favored placing the memorial in the new chapel. Harris replied by saying Dean Kamm had told him that since Sarran was not a religious leader, it would not be an appropriate place for the memorial.

Ross Hutchison, sophomore senator, moved to recommend to the Chapel Committee (not a Senate body) that Sarran's memorial be placed in the chapel. The motion carried.

Harry Green was appointed chairman of a committee to recommend to the Former Students Association the Senate's choice for the distinguished achievement award in individual student relationships.

Following the appointment of a committee to investigate the possibilities of a Campus Chest program, the Senate adjourned.

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WILLIE C. HILL—"From YMCA to farm, fishing"

26-Year Veteran Of A&M Retires

Willie C. Hill retired to his 140-acre farm south of College Station yesterday after working for the college for 26 years.

He started to work at A&M in the college dining hall. After a few years there he moved to the college electricians section. He then went to work with the landscaping section, but for the last 20 years he has worked for the YMCA.

His job in the YMCA was managing the bowling alleys until they were closed in 1955. Hill was then assigned to the job as clerk in the "Y" working with J. Gordon Gay, YMCA secretary.

Fund Donated For Ag Student Scholarships

An endowment for \$50,000 has been set up to provide scholarships for students in the School of Agriculture.

The endowment, made possible by Houston Endowment, set up first by the late Jesse Jones 10 years ago, will be used to provide scholarships from \$200 to \$500 beginning in September this year.

President D. W. Williams said in acknowledging the gift, it will contribute greatly to attempts to get more students in agricultural studies and "better future leaders" in the field.

Aimed at helping remedy the dropping enrollment in agriculture the first scholarship funds contributed by Jones are said to have helped 65 selected students.

Among the 65, 35 have graduated, 23 are still in school and five dropped out of college. Several of the scholarship holders returned the funds because of earnings over a summer enabling them to pay their expenses without too much trouble.

"This shows what type of students the funds are helping," the administrators have said.

Tom Nelson Given Chemistry Award

Tommy R. Nelson, freshman engineering student from Dallas, has been awarded a copy of the "Handbook of Chemistry and Physics" as the outstanding freshman chemistry student for 1956.

The winner of the award, which is given annually by the Chemical Rubber Publishing Co., is selected by the faculty committee.

Other nominees for the award were Michael McGuire, Marcus Edwards, Albert E. Swarts, Gayle E. Oliver, Percy D. Mims, Luis N. Pena, John Paul Bayse and Paul D. Folzenlogen.

Council Hears Bacher Letter Criticizing Batt

Hear Chimes Complaint; Talk Civilian Weekend

By JOE TINDEL

A letter criticizing The Battalion for "not printing both sides of the issue" was read to Civilian Councilmen last night by Bob Bacher, Civilian Chaplain, at their regular meeting.

The letter, referring to recent coverage of the insurance plan, was sent to Dr. Carroll D. Laverty, chairman of the Student Publications Board; Ross Strader, director of Student Publications and Jim Bower, editor of The Battalion.

Bacher, chairman of a special committee to draft the letter, said it charged The Battalion with "not presenting to the student both sides of the proposal, in order that the student might come to an intelligent decision."

The letter says "the Council feels there was a misrepresentation of facts and would like to question the use of news writeup, bold print in news stories and cartoons for the purpose of expressing the newspaper's editorial policy."

After the letter was read John Avant, vice president of the council, questioned Bacher on what he meant by misrepresentation of facts.

"I have read the stories and can't see any misrepresentation in any of them," Avant said.

Bacher cited a portion of a story which he said read, "Larry Piper says that there is a non-compulsory policy for \$5 per semester which will cover both sickness and accidents." He said this was a misquote since Piper didn't say it.

The story in Feb. 13 issue reads, "—a brochure obtained from Senate President Larry Piper describes a policy which would not be compulsory and cost only \$5 per semester."

Avant also questioned Bacher's authority to say "the (Civilian) Council feels . . ." in the letter when the letter had not been approved by the council as a body.

Bacher claims that his committee had been given power to speak for the council in the matter.

With the exception of Avant the council accepted the reading of the letter with no further discussion.

Councilmen spent a considerable long time in approving a proposal to ask Wayne Stark, Memorial Student Center director, to do some- (See COUNCIL HEARS, Page 2)

upon when the need arises.

1,000 Students Expected

High School Day Begins Tomorrow in Guion Hall

By DAVE McREYNOLDS

An estimated 1,000 high school students will begin gathering here this afternoon, tonight and early tomorrow for the annual High School and Sports Day festivities.

Sponsored jointly by the Former Students, Hometown Clubs, "T" Association and Office of Student Activities, the affair is to honor and show the prospective students what A&M has to offer in the way of brains, buildings and brawn.

Highlighted by a morning program in Guion Hall, tours of the campus, an afternoon of sports activities, the program will be "topped off" with an intrasquad football game beginning at 7 p. m. on Kyle Field between Maroon and White teams.

Students arriving Friday afternoon who will require housing overnight are asked to report to the Housing Office located on the ground floor of the YMCA.

Saturday morning at 8 activities will begin in Guion Hall, located at the south end of Military Walk, where visitors will be given a complimentary ticket to all Sports Day events courtesy of the "T" Association.

At 8:30 an informal musical entertainment program will begin under the sponsorship of the Memorial Student Center's Music Group. Dudley Brown will chair this part of the program.

A "Get Acquainted Meeting" will begin at 9:15 with Cadet Lt. Col. Larry Piper, president of the Student Senate presiding.

Included on this part of the program will be an invocation by Joe Blair, chairman of the Interfaith Council followed by a welcoming address by A&M President D. W. Williams.

Col. Joe E. Davis, commandant, will tell the visitors of the advantages of military life at A&M and W. G. (Breezy) Breazeale, civilian counselor, will describe civilian life at A&M.

Following this preliminary program the guests will be shown a film, "We Are the Aggies," a color film of life at A&M.

Group tours of the campus, guided by students from the various departmental clubs and societies within the college, will begin from in front of Guion Hall at 10:15.

Student visitors are urged to attend the tour which will take them to the department of their proposed major course of study. Those visitors who are undecided should contact A. E. (Buddy) Denton, of A&M's Basic Division for counseling and proceed on a tour of their

choice.

R. G. Perryman, assistant registrar at A&M, will be available concerning questions for registration at A&M.

A registration table for visitors interested in the Texas Aggie Band will be set up in front of Guion Hall. Prospective band students are asked to register at this table and be the guests of the Aggie Band at the noon meal in Duncan Hall.

Saturday afternoon activities will be sponsored by the "T" Association and will begin at 1 with a golf match between Lamar Tech and A&M on the A&M Golf Course located on the southeast corner of the campus fronting on Highway 6.

At 2 p. m. baseball and swimming will begin. The University of Houston Cougars will play the Texas Aggies at the Baseball Park and at the same time the freshman swimming teams of A&M and SMU will begin a battle in Downs Natatorium.

At 3 p. m. the varsity swimming match will begin between A&M and SMU.

Sports Day activities will end with an intrasquad football game on Kyle Field beginning at 7 p. m. The 1957arsity team will be divided into Maroon and White teams who will scrimmage each other.