

'New' Friends

The Corps of Cadets is getting reacquainted with some old friends of theirs—and indications are it will be a profitable and lasting friendship.

These old friends didn't return to A&M this year—they've been here all the time. Embarrassing as it seems, this group just now being re-admitted to the Corps friendship circle is the faculty.

Long the source for classroom inspiration, "profs" are well respected for their judgment from 8 to 5. But only recently has the Corps acknowledged their wisdom about things other than books.

Long have the professors waved their banner of equal rights for freshmen—at least in getting the know-how they seek is concerned. And equally as long as the Corps has retorted that they knew better than anyone else the way to make an 18-year-old into a scholar and a gentlemen and in less time.

The thing the faculty has bitterly opposed—harassment in public, extra duties which infringed on valuable study time and minds over-crowded with useless rules and foolishness—these things are gone forever. But many good professors left A&M—before the foolishness did. And they will be sorely missed.

Of course it hasn't been easy for instructors to understand the Corps; it wasn't even easy to make the "fish" understand its goals. Possibly now that the Corps' objectives are more sensible it will be easier for both groups to see the advantages of the organization.

Apparently it already is. To date, 139 faculty members have volunteered as unit advisors and probably many more are willing to volunteer once they realize the Corps is honestly seeking their help.

The potential scholarship the Corps can foster is tremendous once it purges itself of self-imposed burdens. And already this purge has begun.

Some of the suggestions to remodel the Corps to stimulate scholastics have come from Vice President Rudder and the School of Military Sciences. This is true. But without the cooperation of every man in uniform, high sounding phrases and well laid plans will go astray as they have in the past.

But the realization that a healthy study condition would benefit everyone is becoming more and more evident to cadets in every class.

Reports on freshmen losses compared to figures from last year show one half the losses experienced last year. Freshmen are obviously better adjusted thus far to gain the knowledge they seek at A&M. Their hair isn't quite as short as the "fish" before them but their chests swell equally as much—or more—with the pride of being an Aggie.

Everything points to real progress and achievement for the Corps—and Texas A&M this year. But plans alone are not enough. Cadets and professors alike must work long and hard to overcome the prejudice built up over the years and conquer the animosity between student and teacher.

It is regrettable that so many good men—both instructors and pupils—were lost before these changes took place. Many of them would not recognize the campus if they were to return.

We cannot bring back the men already lost. Only can we labor to retain the men here now. And while they are detained here, maybe they will acquire some of the truths they seek to make a good life and will leave A&M proud and mature men—with the deepest respect for the college and its motives.

To offer this to incoming freshmen, students and faculty must present a united front. Only together can they solve the problems of providing good educational atmosphere for men of all classes.

Congratulations are in order for the 139 men who have joined the ranks of the new army for scholarship. The Corps needs your support—and the support of your colleagues—to achieve the standard of scholarship it potentially can represent at A&M.

W. O. Trogdon Is New Agronomy Head

Dr. William O. Trogdon, agronomist, Plant Food Division, Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation, has been named to head the Department of Agronomy, effective Sept. 1.

He succeeds Dr. John S. Rogers who resigned effective August 31 to become director of agronomic crop research for the Associated Seed Growers, Inc.

Trogdon was born at Anadarko, Okla., and his bachelor degree in agronomy was obtained in 1942 from Oklahoma State University.

After four years of Army service, Trogdon became connected with the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station and the Ohio State University on a grant from the American Canamid Company. A doctorate in soil fertility was conferred on him in 1949 by Ohio State University.

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Interpreting Ike Peeved With Reds

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President Eisenhower indicates more and more openly his loss of patience with the Communist tactic of talking peace out of one side of the mouth while stirring up trouble out of the other.

It all goes hand in hand with the administration's growing recognition that all Communist maneuvering must be assessed against the background of its declared and unwavering enmity toward the United States and the countries linked to her by culture or economics.

For many years Washington pretended on the surface to play the game "straight," that is, to assume for purposes of the record that Soviet proposals should be

answered according to whatever they professed to be, rather than what they were.

For one thing, this has been done under pressure to maintain an open door for peaceful settlements.

One result, however, has been to maintain an open door for Communist propaganda.

Another result has been to sponsor wishful thinking among the neutrals that peaceful coexistence can be arranged before there is an end to declared enmity.

Replying to Premier Khrushchev's suggestion that the United States and the dangerous situation over the Chinese offshore islands by withdrawing her forces from the area the President has ditched diplomatic doubletalk to a degree seldom attained before.

"I do not agree with you as to the source of danger in this situation," Eisenhower wrote.

"This intense military action by the Chinese Reds was begun some three weeks after your visit to Peking."

"No upside down presentation such as contained in your letter can change this fact that the United States is merely trying to prevent the use of force."

"I regret to say I do not see in your letter any effort to find

that common language which could indeed facilitate the removal of the danger. On the other hand the description of this situation contained in your letter seems designed to serve the ambitions of international communism rather than to present the facts."

Words such as these, directly impugning both the veracity and the motives of another chief of state, are far removed from the ordinary usages of diplomacy.

Their use follows previous indications that the administration is becoming more and more determined to fight the propaganda battle with Moscow out in the open, instead of with a disguised voice.

It follows closely on the heels of statements by both the President and Secretary Dulles implying that peace talk is a mirage until the Reds disavow their tactics of indirect aggression. It helps remove the mask of an reality which has shrouded negotiations with the Soviet Union ever since World War II.

What's Cooking

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Student Chaplains Set to Aid Aggies In Spiritual Living

Twelve able and ready Aggies will act as chaplains this year, assisting and guiding fellow students toward a better spiritual and moral way of living.

There has been a change this year in emblems worn on the collar by Chaplains. In the past they wore only a cross on the collar.

The 1968-69 Chaplains are John Partridge, Corps chaplain; Bob Phillips, Band chaplain; Ben Marshall, Protestant First Regiment chaplain; Glen Estes, Protestant Second Regiment chaplain; Bob Bertine, Catholic Second Regiment chaplain; David Glickman, Jewish Second Regiment chaplain; Ervin Linnstaedter, Protestant Second Wing chaplain; Johnny Lunardon, Catholic Second Wing chaplain; Len Dorney, Catholic First Wing chaplain; Arthur Cameron, Protestant First Wing chaplain; Sammy Ferguson, Civilian chaplain; and Don Houston, assistant Civilian chaplain.



New Chaplain Insignia

Purpose of the Chaplains is to promote the spiritual welfare of the Corps of Cadets and all students in general and to offer spiritual advice whenever necessary and possible. They are also helping local ministers in bringing the students of A&M closer to the various religious faiths.

The Chaplains, all seniors, will take part in many school activities this year. They will lead prayers at various school functions, including all Aggie home football games. They will work in promoting interest in all campus religious affairs. It is the Chaplains who are responsible for the prayers before the evening meals in the college dining halls.

Aims and goals are plentiful and the Chaplains are very determined to reach them. They will be assisting unit commanders in hopes of building better leaders, attempting to lessen the use of profane language on the campus, trying to better the moral and spiritual attitudes on the campus and make the students aware of these attitudes.

The chaplains will continuously work together and through the various local churches to better the moral and reverent life of the Aggie.

A short article called "Guided-post," featuring short quotations and scriptures relating to God and the church, will be printed in *The Battalion* this year. The scriptures and quotations are being compiled by the Chaplains.

but this year a silver cross on a circular background will be worn. Chaplain offices are located in the YMCA and Corps headquarters.



We Aggies like to read about We Aggies. When a word comes across, call VI 4-6418 and ask for the We Aggie Editor.

Miss Karen Linn, to Mr. and Mrs. William Kuykendall, '58, Apt. 7-C, Project Houses, Arrived at 9:20 p.m. Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan.

A potential Corps commander to Mr. and Mrs. John Pate, '58, 1228 College View, Arrival time for the little boy was 6:06 p.m. Monday in Bryan Clinic.

WELCOME AGGIES!

To Returning Upperclassmen:

We earnestly hope that you had a beneficial and prosperous vacation and that a glorious school year may be ahead of you full of rich achievements in your various fields of study.

Welcome Freshmen:

We commend you for having come to A&M College. You have chosen one of the very best colleges in America. We cherish the hope that here you will realize the fulfillment of your most ardent desires and fondest dreams for a well rounded and rewarding career.

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