

Six More RE Week Dorm Counselors Added to Roster

Religious Emphasis Week dorm counselors will hold forums and discussions groups Monday through Thursday nights at 7:15 in various lounges over the campus.

They come from highly varied backgrounds, and will be available for personal consultation during the week.

Rev. Jack H. Prichard, pastor of the Hemphill Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth, will lead discussion groups in Dorm 6 lounge for Dorm 6 and 8. He will live in Dorm 6.

Rev. Prichard was born in Breckenridge, and graduated from the "School of the Ozarks", a Presbyterian vocational high school in Missouri. He attended Oklahoma City University and graduated from the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Princeton.

He has been pastor in churches in Oklahoma and New Mexico and minister of students at the University of Arizona.

Rev. John C. Donovan, vicar of the Christ Episcopal Church of Mexia, was born in Indiana and later moved to Wichita Falls. He graduated from law school and entered the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin.

Rev. Donovan is presently chaplain to Episcopalians at Baylor University. He will live in Leggett Hall and will lead discussion groups for Leggett and Mitchell.

Rev. Charles T. Jones Jr., is pastor of the First Christian Church of San Marcos. He was born near Kansas City, Mo., and attended the University of Kansas and Texas Christian University. He graduated from Brite College with a B. D. degree.

At present Rev. Jones is working on his M. A. in history at the University of Texas. He will live in Walton Hall and lead the discussion groups for Walton and Dorm 16. The meetings will be held in the lounge of Walton Hall.

Rev. David K. Switzer, chaplain at Southwestern University, graduated from the school he now serves. He has had clinical training in the federal penitentiary in Atlanta, Ga., and also at the State Mental Hospital in Little Rock.

Rev. Switzer is a letterman in baseball and track and pitched semi-pro baseball. He worked as training advisor in the employe relations department of Humble Oil Company.

He will live in Henderson Hall

and lead the forums for that dorm. Mr. Harold O. Paden from the Church of Christ in Munday, Texas, will lead the discussion groups in Dorm 9 and will live there.

Mr. Paden is a native Texan, graduating from Abilene Christian College and George Pepperdine College in Los Angeles, Calif. He served in the United States Army ski troops during the World War II on Italian fronts. He is presently working on his masters degree in education at ACC. Mr. Paden is chaplain of the Munday Fire Department and cub scout director.

Rev. Richard Norton is from East Texas State College where he is with the Baptist Student Union. He will live in Puryear Hall and lead the forums for Law and Puryear, meeting in the lounge of Puryear Hall.

He is a native Texan, educated in Hillsboro and graduated from Rice Institute with a B.A. degree in 1953. He has completed work on a Doctor of Theology degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a Bible instructor at East Texas.

Classes will be dismissed Monday at 11 a.m., Tuesday and Wednesday at 10 a.m., and Thursday and Friday at 9 a.m. during Religious Emphasis Week in order for students and instructors to hear Dr. E. W. Remley, convocation speaker for the week.

For School of Agriculture

Writers' Conference To Start Tomorrow

A&M will set a first tomorrow when it will host the first agricultural news communications conference in the nation.

The conference will be held in the Memorial Student Center Assembly Room.

The conference, sponsored by the Department of Journalism, will host guest speakers from every phase of the agricultural news communications field in Texas.

The program will begin at 9 a.m. and will continue through 4 p.m. The nationally-renowned speakers will be given 30 minutes

Band Dance Set Saturday In Ballroom

The Texas Aggie Band Dance will be held Saturday evening from 9 until 12 in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center.

Music for the Valentine's Day affair will be furnished by Bill Turner's combo, according to Jack Skaggs, co-ordinator for the dance.

Five finalists have been chosen for Band Sweetheart and the winner will be announced at the dance following the judging at intermission time.

Those chosen as finalists include Margaret Hugg of Bryan, who will be escorted by William C. Day; Linda Winterrowd of Pecos, escorted by Chester Collinsworth Jr.; Sharon Jane Bailey of Gilmer, whose escort will be Joe Larry Guinn; Ann Buser of Arp, escorted by Jimmy Crook; and Louise Sevier of Kilgore, escorted by James E. Fallin.

Corps Loses 807, Grades Are Higher

By JOHNNY JOHNSON
Battalion News Editor

Spring semester enrollment is below last year's figure as was the fall enrollment, but percentage-wise A&M gained in enrollment, Vice President Earl Rudder told faculty members in a general faculty meeting yesterday afternoon in Guion Hall.

Also during the meeting President M. T. Harrington outlined work being done to secure a larger appropriation for the next fiscal biennium.

The spring's official enrollment is 6,131 as compared with last spring's 6,355. Enrollment this fall was 7,077 while in 1957 the figure was 7,474.

Rudder told the faculty members that the Corps is larger this semester than it was this time last year—3,044 against 3,001.

But, even more important, grades of Basic Division freshmen students are higher for the fall semester for this year, percentage-wise, than last year, Rudder said. Only 46.7 per cent have grades under 1.0, while last year 52.16 per cent were below 1.0. More students are in the higher grade ranges too, he said.

Corps Loses 807

In 1957-58 the Corps lost 1,287 the first semester as compared with an 807 loss this year.

President Harrington next told of the work being done by the newly-formed Committee of Governing Boards — composed of members of the 9 governing bodies of the 18 state-supported schools.

This group is working to collect data on the need for more and larger appropriations for state-supported higher education and to inform the people of this need, he said.

Although total appropriations to state schools have increased by 75 per cent since 1951, this has been only a 12 per cent increase per student.

Officials Request More Funds

Administration officials have requested \$6,323,000 for the first year of the coming fiscal biennium, an increase of \$1,600,000 over the present appropriation, he said.

The Commission on Higher Education has recommended a \$601,000 increase over this year's appropriation while the Legislative Budget Board recommended only a \$426,000 increase, Harrington said.

Hearings were held by Senate and House committees last week and the first part of this week in Austin on the proposed appropriations, Harrington said. No indication was given as to how much would finally be appropriated, he said.

"I think the money needed for higher education will have to come from new tax money. Personally, I think that this will have to be in the form of a sales tax," Harrington said.

Fish Get Best Profs

In referring to progress made in keeping freshmen here, Harrington said, "Last September it was suggested that we use our best teachers to work with freshmen. It is encouraging to know that our losses from fall to spring this year were much lower than the year before."

On the same subject, Rudder said, "These figures don't mean we're lowering our standards or begging people to stay here. We've made some progress this year. We've cut out some campusology, which some people tried to confuse with military or Corps life, and added stress on academic achievement. This campusology has still got parts of it which have to go. It's all of our responsibilities."

CS Residents Vote Tuesday On Bond Issue

College Station property owners will go to the polls Tuesday to decide whether they want to vote for a \$350,000 bond issue for street improvement or continue with the city's present pay-as-you-go plan.

The bond election was authorized by the City Council in its January meeting after a petition, signed by 265 citizens, calling for the election was presented to the Council.

Only property owners with poll tax receipts will be eligible to vote in the election, except owners who are over 60 years old, whether they have a poll tax exemption or not, City Manager Ran Boswell said. Voting will take place Tuesday from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. in the three following locations: Music Room, A&M Consolidated High School (Ward I); 111 Walton in the College Hills Shopping Center (Ward II); and City Hall (Ward III).

MSC Dance Draws 70 at First Meet

Seventy persons enjoyed an informal dance at the first meeting of the semester of the Memorial Student Center Dance Committee Tuesday night.

Manning Smith, insurance agent from Bryan, is the instructor for the class.

There will not be a meeting of the committee next week because of the Religious Emphasis Program. The next meeting will be on Feb. 25.

This will be the last chance for persons to register for the class. The registration fee is \$5 for men and \$4 for women.

Silent Prayer Set Tomorrow

Friday at 10 a.m. the College whistle will blow to signal a minute of prayer in observance of "World Day of Prayer," Vice President Earl Rudder has announced.

"It is requested that we halt our activities for a minute of silent prayer as we unite with the people throughout this country and around the world in observation of this occasion," Rudder said. "The College and System offices will join the College Station Council of Church Women Friday for the occasion."

The whistle will blow at 10 and again one minute past the hour.

Revenue Advisor To Help Foreign Students Tuesday

A representative of the Internal Revenue Service will be in the office of Robert L. Melcher, foreign student advisor, 105 Bizzell, from 2-2:30 p.m., Tuesday.

"Foreign students who have questions about their income tax, or who need help in filling out their income tax forms, should arrange to see this man," Melcher said.

Melcher urged that Foreign students who have an income tax obligation should pick up forms at his office.

Melcher also said the Foreign students and exchange visitors who are interested in attending the Houston Fat Stock Show and Rodeo on Feb. 28 through March 1 are reminded to see the Foreign Student Advisor and pay their transportation fee.



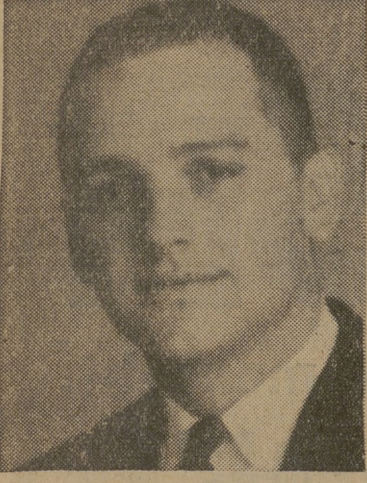
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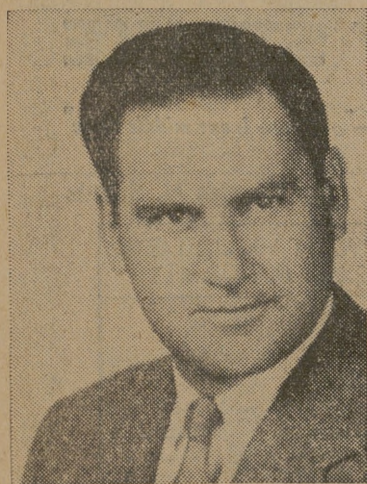
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News of the World

By The Associated Press

Turk, Greeks Seek Freedom for Cyprus
ZURICH, Switzerland—Greece and Turkey agreed Wednesday on a constitution designed to give independence and peace to the British-ruled island of Cyprus.

By nightfall their plan for a republic of Cyprus won the eagerly awaited blessing of the British-exiled Greek Orthodox primate of Cyprus, Archbishop Makarios.

New Parley Plan Includes Germans
WASHINGTON—A new Western formula for a Big Four foreign ministers conference about Germany provides for including German representatives as advisers.

This opens the way for possible compromise with the Soviet Union on German participation.

Lobby Control Act Introduced
AUSTIN—A tougher, loophole-plugging lobby control act to reveal more fully what legislative pressure groups are spending was introduced in the House Wednesday.

That plus mounting demands for more money with still no definitive answer on where it's coming from were top developments as the session neared the end of its fifth week.

Prison boss O. B. Ellis bluntly warned the House Appropriations Committee that overcrowded prison conditions threaten to blast off a major riot.

Troops Went to Little Rock on Request
WASHINGTON—The mayor of Little Rock, Ark., was disclosed Wednesday to have pleaded for the federal troops that President Eisenhower sent there in 1957.

Until now, for all the general public could tell, the bitterly controversial decision was the Eisenhower administration's own idea. It has hurt his party in the South.

Wednesday, the Justice Department released a document covering advice which Herbert Brownell, then the attorney general, gave Eisenhower on what to do in the crisis resulting from opposition in Little Rock to school integration orders.