

# Registrar Defends Changes in Entrance Requirement

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Any drop in freshman enrollment at A&M for the past fall semester should not be attributed solely to changes in entrance requirements, H. L. Heaton, registrar and director of admissions, said yesterday.

Freshmen enrollment at A&M this fall, approximately 300 below the figure for the fall of 1957, is due to many factors, said Heaton. He added that the revision and

general upgrading of entrance requirements originally started in 1956, and available figures showed that approximately 400 applicants have been turned away each fall since 1956 because of deficiencies. He emphasized that this figure showed no increase this past fall.

**Change Made in '56**  
Heaton outlined the background of the revisions in entrance requirements by saying that prior to 1956, applicants with deficiencies were allowed to enter and

could subsequently make up any requirements they might lack. After 1956 this policy was dropped. However, provisions were made whereby applicants with deficiencies but who were considered to be superior high school students, being in the upper one-fourth of their class, could be allowed to enter.

In the fall of 1958, the math requirements for the school of engineering were changed from the original one unit in algebra and

one unit in plane geometry to two units in algebra, one unit in plane geometry and one-half unit in trigonometry.

The registrar noted that deficiencies in these requirements has not been significant in turning away a large number of fall applicants due to the fact that the school was assisting them in getting this work off in summer school and correspondence courses, prior to registration.

**Why Students Change**  
Others, he added, decided to

change their original fields of study when they found they lacked the requirements for entrance. Many were allowed to enter on this basis that would have not been originally accepted.

**Seeks Better Students**  
In answer to statements concerning the loss in state funds the college is suffering as a result of the enrollment drop, Heaton explained:

"Our objective in upgrading our entrance requirements is to get

better qualified students to take the various college programs of training which we offer. In so doing we recognize that it will affect the amount of our appropriations, but we are interested in doing the very best for the qualified man that we can."

**Standards To Be Raised**  
In regard to entrance requirement changes that are to become effective in September, 1960, Heaton stated that "this is the plan on the part of the faculty to con-

tinue upgrading admission standards in an effort to graduate a greater percent of our entering freshmen." He added that these changes are actuated by the Executive Committee and the Academic Council.

When queried as to indications of improvement possibly attributable to the general upgrading program, Heaton answered, "according to current information from the Basic Division, freshmen grades are definitely up over this time last year."

**Weather Today**  
Partly cloudy skies through tomorrow. High today 55-58. Low tonight near 35.

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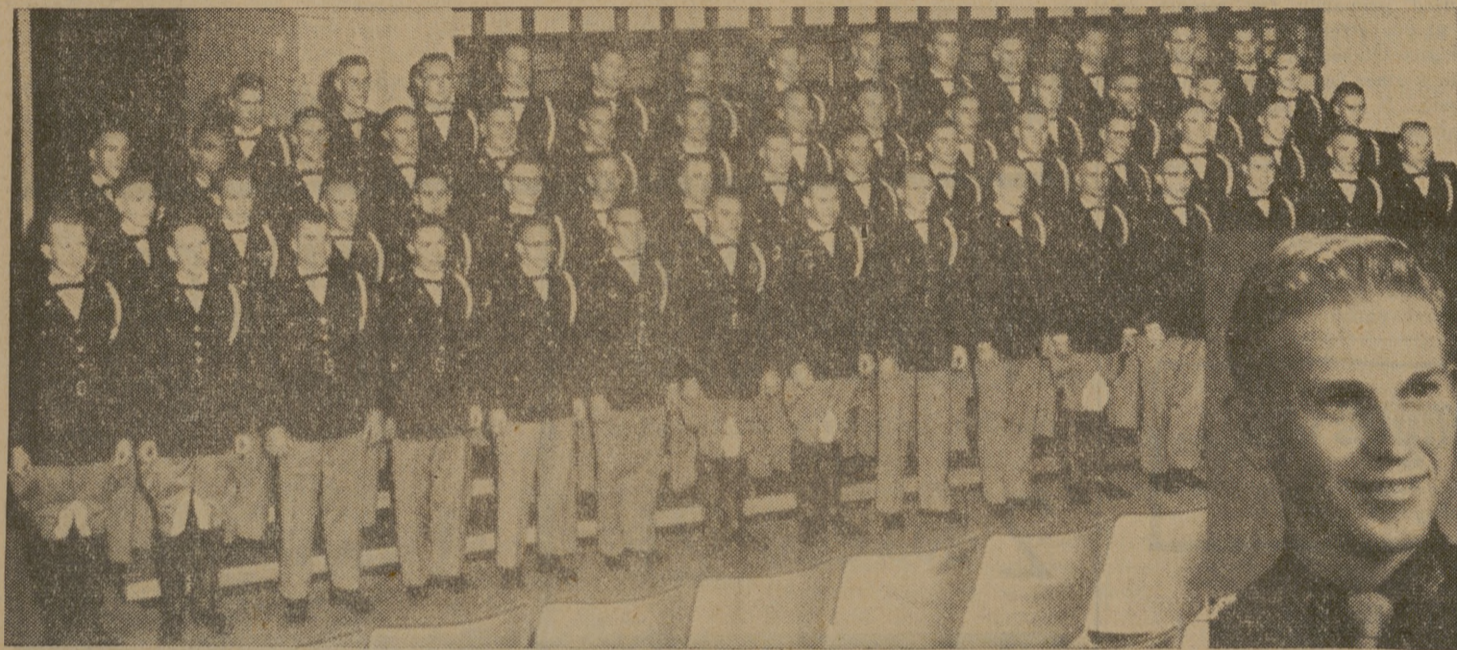
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SINGING CADETS TO PRESENT ANNUAL CONCERT IN GUION HALL TONIGHT  
... Lan Lynch is one of the featured soloists for the program

## Singing Cadets to Present Concert in Guion Tonight

The Singing Cadets will present their annual Spring Concert in Guion Hall tonight at 7:30.

Included on the program will be sacred music, spirituals, popular and folk songs. Many familiar songs ranging from the Great Masters to songs from Broadway will be sung.

Several of the sacred songs to be sung are "Sanctus" from Saint Cecilia, "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God" by Mueller, and Mozart's "Gloria". The program will include the traditional spiritual, "Rock-A-My Soul" and familiar spirituals as "Soon-Ah-Will Be Done" and "Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child".

The group will also sing several popular songs as "Autumn Leaves", Hammerstein's "Noth-

ing Like A Dame" and "Seventy-six Trombones" from the Broadway show of the same name. Folk songs will include "Doney Gal" and "Li' Liza Jane" along with such patriotic songs as "Let There Be Music" and "This Is My Country".

Featured soloists for tomorrow night will be Lane Lynch, Ronald Doan and Lew Plotts. Maurice Adams is accompanist for the group.

Admission to the concert will be free, according to Bill Turner, director of the Singing Cadets.

Officers of the Singing Cadets this year are Arthur Cameron, president; Don Linnenberger, vice president; David Bunting, business manager; Ronald Doan, librarian; and John Lenamon, reporter-historian.

This year's group is composed of 56 members. First tenors are Billy J. Barfield, James V. Crouch, Hugh Davidson, Donnie Duplisse, Frank Glenn, Dean Hosier, Scott Lallier, Don Linnenberger, Lane Lynch, Nathan O'Brian, Lew Plotts, Robert Shaw, Bert Thompson.

Second Tenors are Efraim Armendariz, Irvin M. Atkins, David Bunting, Robert L. Compton, Warren Copeland, Jerry Griffiths, Jack Harrington, Tim Hawthorne, James A. Lair and Frank Yount. The baritones for the group are

Robert Arevalos, William Compton, Deryl Dalby, Larry Dubberly, Jerry Hatfield, Donald D. Henderson, David Hopkins, James P. Hudson, Bill Huskinson, William J. Jonas, Bob Moody, David Morgan, Gabriel Navar, John Schier, Clem Sherek and Carlos Worley.

The basses are Ed L. Berry, Olin W. Brown, Arthur L. Cameron, Ronald B. Doan, Marcus Edwards, Joe A. Fernandez, Emmett C. Flanagan, Larry K. Leighton, John L. Lenamon, Donald Melton, Ramsey K. Melugin, Roger S. Moran, William H. Taylor, William E. Tipton, Joe W. Lindley, Richard Simmons and Bill Weston.

The group has had concert appearances in Edna, Weslaco and Baytown. Turner said future concerts are scheduled for Dallas, Denton, San Angelo, and Weatherford.

## Five Summer Sites Set for AF Camps

A&M Air Force cadets who have completed their junior year of training will attend five Summer Training Unit sites this summer.

The Department of Air Science said Monday that approximately 175 Aggies will attend Summer Training Unit camps at Eglin AFB, Fort Walton, Fla.; Craig AFB, Selma, Ala.; Vance AFB, Enid, Okla.; Webb AFB, Big Spring, Texas; and Luke AFB, Phoenix, Ariz.

The training units will be held for two periods of four weeks each, the first starting June 14 and the second starting August 2. This is done to allow students to attend either session of summer school.

Cadets will be given their preference of sessions but not sites, according to Maj. Roger A. McCaulley, junior Air Science instructor. An IBM machine will select where cadets will go on the basis of least travel cost computed at 5¢ a mile.

## TTI Employs New Research Engineer

Dr. Ralph N. Traxler has been employed as a research engineer by the Texas Transportation Institute, Fred J. Benson, executive officer of the institute, said yesterday.

Dr. Traxler, who holds B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in chemistry from the University of Colorado, was recently supervisor of asphalt research at the Texas Company.

## Meets Air Force Friday

# Weight Worries Army Coach As 12th Man Bowl Nears

Army Coach Stan Roper sent his 12th Man Bowl squad through light workouts today in final preparation for the game with the

Air Force tomorrow night at 8 on Kyle Field.

Roper cast a skeptical eye at the Army ROTC players and muttered with an attitude typical of all coaches:

"We have lots of hustle and desire, but we don't have the weight and experience that the Air Force has."

Adding a boost to his spirits, however, were a group of linemen popping leather as they rushed through contact work. Roper had special praise for linemen Jimmy Garrett, Corky Cobern, and Tom Austin. He is also pretty high on backs Perry Pope and Sonny Todd.

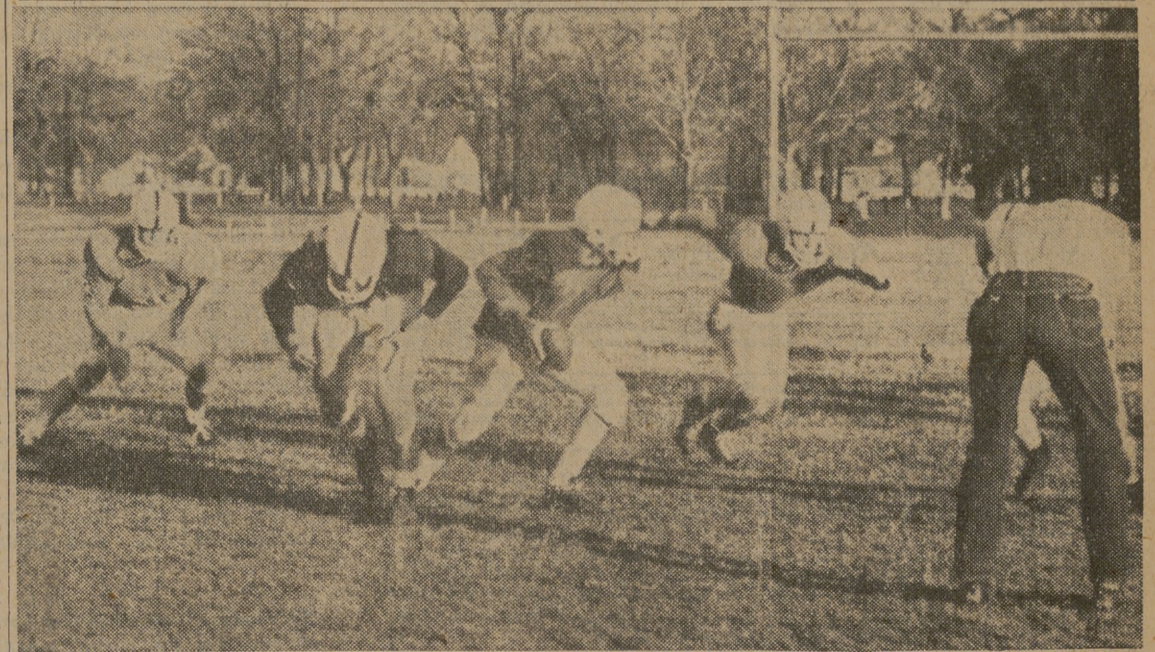
The Army crew has been working out in full pads since last Thursday, and Roper said their spirit was still high.

He declined to give the starting lineup for the game, saying he wanted to wait until the last minute so that he would have a chance to look over the best efforts of every man. Helping Roper with the squad is Carl Luna.

Tickets to this year's Student Senate-sponsored contest are



AIR FORCE TEAM PREPARES FOR FRIDAY NIGHT'S GAME  
... the AF team's head man is Allen Goehring



ARMY 12TH-MAN BOWL TEAM GOES THROUGH A PLAY  
... the Army team is being coached by Stan Roper

# Ags Volunteer to Give 594 Pints of Blood; Fall 56 Short of Goal

## ★ CV Tenants Asked To Watch Children

College View tenants are urged to restrict their children from playing on stacked shingles.

According to Calvin E. Moore, manager of Student Apartments, children are damaging the shingles before they can be used.

Buildings in College View are presently being re-roofed and workmen have noticed children climbing on unloaded shingles. Climbing is not only dangerous for the children, but it is damaging the shingles. Tenants can help reduce costs and prevent accidents by corralling their children, Moore said.

## SMU Dean to Talk At AAUP Meeting

Dr. J. W. Riehm, assistant dean of the Southern Methodist University Law School, will speak on "The Place of Law in A Rapidly Evolving Society" at the annual banquet of the Texas A&M Chapter of the American Association of University Professors, to be held March 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Dr. Riehm is president of the Conference of Southwest Legal Foundations and a member of the American, New York, Michigan, Illinois and Texas Bar Associations.

## Sponsors to Extend Drive, Sign Donors Again Friday

The Student Senate-sponsored blood drive fell short of its goal yesterday as only 594 Aggies signed to give blood. The goal was set at 650 by Senate members and the College Station Lions Club.

Requests by students who were unable to sign up due to classes all day yesterday have prompted the Senate to continue the drive Friday.

The booth in the Memorial Student Center between the Post Office and the Fountain Room will be open from 8 a. m. to 2 p. m. Friday to accommodate those who were unable to sign up yesterday.

"It is a marvelous tribute to A&M how the Aggies pitched in when they were needed. They well deserve a pat on the back for their response, but we still need 50 more to reach our quota," said Dr. David Fitch, president of the College Station Lions Club.

"In the end the Senate and Lions hope to net 650 pints of blood which will be worth \$10,000 to \$11,000," Fitch said.

Blood that is donated in this drive will be used by the Texas Leukemia Research Foundation for the purpose of research in finding a cure for leukemia. At the present time no cure is known.

"We would like for it to be understood that the blood that is donated will not cost the leukemia victims anything," Fitch said last night. "The only cost involved is the paying of expenses of the bloodmobile to make the trip, and the Lions Club is paying that."

Fourteen children are alive today because of the blood donated in this area last year, said Don Rummel, chairman of the Senate's Welfare Committee. Every year a few more children will live a little longer with the blood that is donated by those who are willing to help.

Rummel said it doesn't make any difference what type blood a person has; his or her blood will be accepted if they are in good health and do not have colds.

A special bloodmobile is scheduled to come to College Station from Dallas to receive the blood from the donors next Wednesday.

Tickets are \$1.00 for adults and 60 cents for children and will be available at the door.

Prizes for the most tickets sold by students and other gifts and food items are being contributed by Bryan and College Station merchants.