

Squadrons 20, 21 Plans Party Friday

Squadrons 20 and 21 will have a superstition party Friday night at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bryan.

The party will start an event-filled weekend that will be climaxed by the Military Ball Saturday night.

The day students, their wives

and dates will be entertained by a skit put on by the freshmen.

The decorations and atmosphere will carry out the Friday 13th theme.

The elm is a loose barked tree, therefore more readily open than other trees to fungus infections.

East Coast Trip Open to 30 Top High Schoolers

Thirty outstanding high school boys will get an all-expense paid trip to the East Coast this summer for a unique project in pre-college meteorological education, Dr. Vance E. Moyer, professor of meteorology, has announced.

Applicants are now being sought for the pre-college Atmospheric Science Program to be offered at the Loomis School in Windsor, Conn., for the seven-week period, June 21-Aug. 9.

Purpose of the project, which is sponsored by the American Meteorological Society, is to stimulate interest in meteorology as a science and as a career among the most capable secondary school youths.

Thirty boys who have completed their junior year in high school will be selected to participate in the program. They will receive free tuition, room board and transportation.

Eligibility will be limited to students who are now taking a college preparatory course, and who will have completed (by June, 1959) three units of high school mathematics and a year of either chemistry or physics.

It is desired that the students selected rank in the top five per cent of their class.

Students interested in applying for consideration should write to the College Station Branch of the American Meteorological Society, Department of Oceanography and Meteorology, A&M.

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Vet Med Students Testing New Shots

A&M veterinary medicine students are undergoing a series of shots to determine if an immunization against rabies can be obtained, Dr. F. P. Jaggi, professor of Veterinary Public Health at the School of Veterinary Medicine, said yesterday.

According to Jaggi, college physicians are administering these shots to 137 volunteer veterinary students. The group received their first of the series of four shots on Feb. 26 and the last will be given April 9.

The live and dead virus being used in this vaccine is of a type known as the Flury Strain, Jaggi said. He said this vaccine is basically the same as the vaccine Louis Pasteur developed, but im-

portant refinements have been introduced. This vaccine doesn't contain the foreign protein, which caused the reactions incurred from the old vaccine.

Jaggi explained that the new vaccine being administered to the veterinary students is prepared in the chick and duck embryo.

"The virus is passed in a series through the fowls embryos to lessen its strength. At this stage the virus is extracted, deadened, and then placed into the human blood stream as the rabies vaccine," he said.

A sample of the students blood is taken before he is inoculated with the virus and again after he completes the series. These samples are then sent to the United States Public Health Service at the Communicable Disease Center at Atlanta, Ga. Here, Jaggi said, a titer test is performed to determine the student's immunity against rabies.

"The success of this vaccine will be checked by experimenting with mice. The mice will be given a series of graduated amounts of the student's blood and then contaminated with the rabies virus. This will help determine the extent of the immunization the students have acquired from this vaccine," Jaggi said.

Jaggi expressed the desire that this embryo vaccine provides the basis for a possible safe, long-term immunization against rabies that can be given well before exposure to the disease in high-risk populated groups.

Industrial Majors Invited to Meeting

Industrial distribution majors have been invited to Dallas during the month of April for a meeting with the North Texas Industrial Distributors Assn.

Definite plans for the meeting are still incomplete, but there will probably be a dinner held before the meeting.

During the first part of the meeting representatives of the larger industrial plants in Dallas will give talks about their firms. The talks will be followed by a question and answer period.

Meetings of this kind have been held in the past and serve to bring college students and industries into a closer relationship.

YMCA to Hold Fry Thursday

The YMCA will hold a steak fry in Hensel Park Thursday, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Purpose of the fry is to have an informal discussion on the Freshman Camp and how it should be set up and operated.

Anyone interested in Freshman Camp should see Carl Zietlow, YMCA.

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