

Better Testing Set For Entering Freshmen

A broadened program of aptitude and achievement tests for entering students of A&M has been announced by Dr. C. H. Ransdell, associate dean of the Basic Division.

Included in this program are four one-day testing periods and five two-day testing and counseling clinics, all to be held on the campus. One single-day session has already been held.

These aptitude and achievement tests are required of all entering

freshmen and those students from other colleges who transfer less than 30 semester hours of credit.

Ransdell said these testing and counseling sessions help the student to learn more about himself and assists in evaluating areas of strength and weakness. They are beneficial to students and staff members in regard to placement in courses and to provide bases for follow-up counseling.

Schedule and site of the one-day tests follow:

May 30, Ballroom, Memorial Student Center; June 13, Chemistry Building; Aug. 8, Chemistry Building; Aug. 22, Chemistry Building. All are at 9 a.m.

Dates for the two-day testing and counseling clinics are June 19-20, June 26-27, July 10-11, July 31 and Aug. 1, and Aug. 14-15. All are scheduled for 9 a. m. in the Chemistry Building.

Students attending either of the two summer terms at the Adjunct at Junction will take the required tests after reporting there. The first testing period at Junction is scheduled for June 8-9 and the second is set for July 20-21.

The required battery of tests will be administered at the Adjunct only to those young men who have been accepted for enrollment there. They will not be required to repeat the tests here.

Those who have applied for Opportunity Award Scholarships, and who have been authorized by the Faculty Scholarships committee of the college to take the tests which are part of the competition for these awards, must take the tests either Saturday or May 2. They will be administered at 12:45 p.m. in the Chemistry Building. These scholarship applicants will

not be required to take placement tests at another date.

For those taking advantage of the special two-day testing and counseling clinics, tests will be given on the first day and the second day will be devoted to counseling with the students regarding test scores, background and proposed goals at A&M.

Ransdell said that the student will profit most by taking the tests early.

"However, if the student is unable to take the tests at one of the scheduled periods, then he may take them by reporting to the campus on Monday, Sept. 14, the day before the beginning of New Student Week," Ransdell said.

Students who take the tests at one of the scheduled periods will report to the campus on Tuesday, Sept. 15, for New Student Week.

Ransdell said that while one of the scheduled dates is not absolutely mandatory, the students taking the tests prior to September will have some advantages.

"The opportunities for counsel are our real motive and at the earlier sessions more time will be available for analysis and subsequent counsel where this counsel appears necessary or advisable," he said.

The dean continued that this analysis and counseling can be done in time to afford remedial or corrective measures where appropriate, and recommendations for advanced courses can be arranged for young men who might profit from them.

It is estimated that West Virginia has coal resources sufficient to last 400 years at the present rate of production.



Silver Taps for Muster
The Aggie Band Silver Taps team closed out yesterday's Muster Day program with the playing of "Silver Taps." Members of the team are, left to right, Rudy Schubert, Butch Edwards, Scotty Harris, Fred Hunter, James Bailey and Rodney Kelly.

Red Chinese Communes Face Money Trouble

TOKYO (AP)—Red China disclosed Tuesday its peasant communes are in trouble and will need both a subsidy and tax relief to bail them out.

Chairman Mao Tze-tung launched the communes last year with the hope that these big camps, now harnessing the labor of a large percentage of China's 500 million peasants, would give quick impetus to his program for a "great leap forward."

Sober facts came out in a report of Finance Minister Li Hsien-nien on the 1959 budget to the National People's Congress, the rubber-stamp Parliament, in Peiping.

Radio Peiping said:

By order of Sao and the Communist party Central Committee, a subsidy of a billion yuan will be used for pump-priming in communes and production brigades which are lagging.

The subsidy—the equivalent of 435 million dollars by Peiping's reckoning—indicates that many are in straitened circumstances.

In addition, the 7 per cent agricultural tax of 1958 will be cut to 5.2 per cent.

With all this, the communes are expected to contribute a smaller percentage to Red China's overall revenue that they did last year.

Li said they will yield 11.3 per cent of 5,887,130,000 yuan of the expected 1959 revenue of 52,010,000,000 yuan. This compares with a contribution of 13.7 per cent last year, when the government's income was about 10 billion yuan less. The Chinese consider the yuan worth 43.5 cents.

Some of the increased revenue will go to Red China's armed forces, estimated to number three million.

INSPECTION

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here for the review to inspect the Corps of Cadets.

Hill, leading the inspection team, is a member of the staff and faculty of the U. S. Army Artillery and Missile Center, Fort Sill, Okla. He has been in the Army since June, 1939, following his graduation from the U. S. Military Academy. He completed the Command and General Staff College in 1950, the Armed Forces Staff College in 1954 and the Army War College in 1956.

During World War II, Hill served in the European Theatre of Operations as commanding officer of the 180th Field Artillery Battalion of the 26th Infantry Division. He was awarded the Silver Star, the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit.

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Ph. D. Language Examination
Examinations for meeting the foreign language requirement for the Ph. D. degrees will be given Friday, May 1st at 8:00 a. m. and 1:00 p. m. in Room 129, Academic Building. Students wishing to take this examination should leave the material over which they wish to be examined with the Secretary in the Department of Modern Languages not later than 5:00 p. m., Tuesday, April 28.
J. J. Woolket, Head
Department of Modern Languages 10445

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY EXAMINATIONS FOR MAJORS IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY
Students planning to graduate before June 1959 with a degree in the Department of Education and Psychology should report for departmental English Proficiency Examinations Tuesday, April 28 at 3:00 p. m. or Thursday, April 30 at 3:00 p. m. to room 102, Academic Building.
G. P. Parker, Head
Dept. of Education and Psychology 10446

Regalia For The Baccalaureate—Commencement Exercises
All students who are candidates for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy are required to order hoods as well as the doctor's cap and gown. The hoods are to be left at the Registrar's Office no later than 1:00 p. m., Tuesday, May 19 (this arrangement will be accomplished by a representative of the College Exchange Store). The Ph.D. hoods will not be worn in the procession since all such candidates will be hooded on the stage as a part of the ceremonies.
Candidates for the Master's Degree will wear the master's cap and gown; those who are candidates for the Bachelor's Degree, except Military students, will wear the bachelor's cap and gown. All Military students who are candidates for degrees will wear appropriate military uniforms.
Rental of caps and gowns may be arranged with the Exchange Store. Orders may be placed between 8:00 a. m., Monday, April 10 and 12:00 noon, Saturday, May 16. The rental is as follows: Doctor's cap and gown, \$5.00; Master's cap and gown, \$4.50; Bachelor's cap and gown, \$4.00. Hood rental is the same as that for cap and gown.
C. E. Tishler, Chairman
Convocations Committee 10240

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