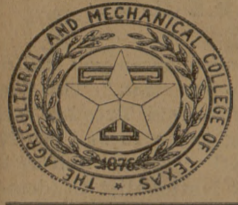


Data Processing Center Dedication Set Tomorrow



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Army, Air Force Designate A&M As Military College

Aggieland Joins Elite Group Again

For the second consecutive year, A&M has been designated a military college by both the U. S. Air Force and the U. S. Army.

Dean of Students James P. Hannigan made the announcement Tuesday afternoon. He said confirmation of the designation has been made in writing by the U. S. Air Force and confirmation was made by a phone call to the U. S. Army Tuesday morning.

The military college rating places A&M in an elite group of seven colleges in the United States so designated. Other schools in the group are The Citadel, Norwich University, Virginia, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, North Georgia and Pennsylvania Military College.

Special Gifts Given Three Student Groups

Three student groups at A&M are the proud recipients of special gifts recently, President Earl Rudder disclosed today. The College Band, the Corps of Cadets and the Singing Cadets are the beneficiaries in the aggregate amount of \$9,000.

Two of the gifts were made by a prominent, loyal former student of Houston. The band was the recipient of one of the checks in the amount of \$1,000, following its appearance in the inaugural Bluebonnet Bowl in Houston on Dec. 19. The other check by the same donor was made to the Corps of Cadets in the amount of \$2,000. In both instances the gifts were made to aid the respective college organizations without desire for publicity on the part of the benefactor.

Another equally prominent and loyal former student gave to the Association of Former Students a restricted contribution in the amount of \$6,000 to be used for new uniforms for the Singing Cadets. He also, requested that his name be withheld in connection with any publicity resulting therefrom.

"These organizations are to be commended for their performances which merited the action of these two former students. The college is grateful for the financial help made to these three student groups," President Rudder said.

Basis for the military college rating is an inspection held 30 days after the beginning of the fall semester. At that time inspectors from both the U. S. Army and the U. S. Air Force visit the school campuses to determine if the school can be designated a military college.

The rating means members of the Corps of Cadets who are living in college dormitories will receive double commutation for uniform purchases by the college. Day students and football and basketball athletes are not counted for double commutation.

The money will have to be refunded to the Army and Air Force on a pro rata basis for any cadets who drop out of the Corps or change their status during the year.

"The money will be used to supplement and replace our present stock of uniforms," Dean Hannigan said.

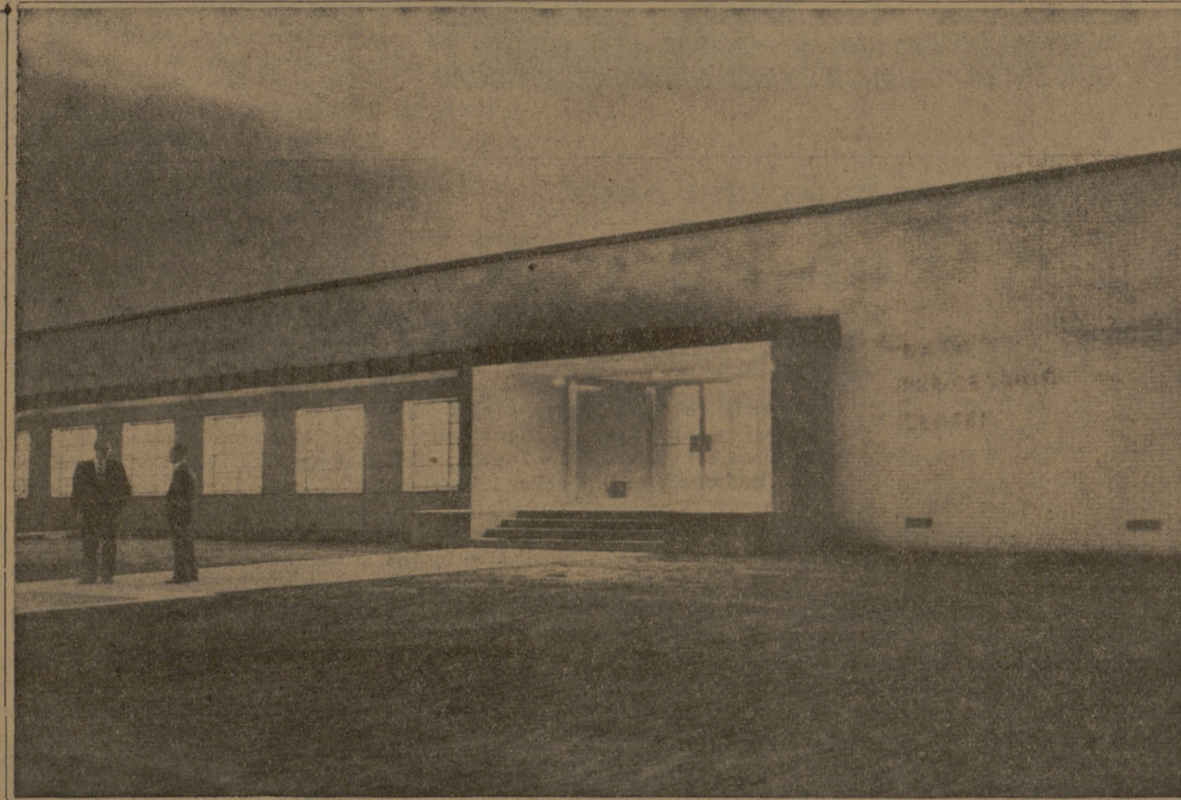
"We hope to be able next year to issue an extra set of fatigues, a pair of combat boots and an extra short-sleeve khaki shirt," Dean Hannigan continued.

President Earl Rudder commented on the military designation, "This rating is a tribute to the quality of the fine men who make up our Corps of Cadets. I think the men of the Corps of Cadets can justly be proud of this rating and the honor it brings to Texas A&M."

Dean Hannigan said, "I am extremely grateful for the fine showing by the Corps of Cadets to the members of the Army and Air Force inspection teams which made this rating possible."

"The money is for their benefit and the members of the Corps of Cadets are the ones who will benefit from the rating through the additional money for clothing purchases," Dean Hannigan said.

"The Corps of Cadets of Texas A&M has again brought distinction (See Aggieland Joins, Page 3)



A&M's Data Processing Center

W. R. Fagley, IBM representative, left, and Robert L. Smith Jr., head of A&M's Data Processing Center, stand before the new building on the campus which houses \$3,000,000 worth of high speed electronic computing machinery that will be used in regional research for colleges, universities, science research organizations and industries of the South. The new center's building houses

the most modern computing machinery on any college campus in the South. It contains one of four of the giant IBM-704 computers now in use in colleges of the nation, together with an IBM-650 high speed computer and IBM-604 electronic calculator and banks of accessory equipment. Open house will be held Thursday afternoon at the center.

To Aid Disease Diagnosis Procedures

Electron Microscopy Lab Receives \$55,349 Grant

A \$55,349 research grant has been awarded to the Electron Microscopy Laboratories of A&M and the A&M Research Foundation by the National Institutes of Health and the U. S. Public Health Service.

This grant will support the development of disease diagnosis procedures based upon the adsorption of organic disease products by clay minerals and will also support investigations leading to the prediction of any harmful physiological influences that may arise from the ever increasing use of clay minerals as carriers in pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, dentures, vitamin tablets, animal feeds and beverages.

The work, to be conducted over a three-year period, will be under

the technical guidance of Dr. U. Grant Whitehouse, technical director of the laboratories and will be administered through the A&M Research Foundation. Whitehouse describes the program as fundamental or basic chemical research that will lead to the prohibition of future use of harmful materials

Announcements

Ready Now in MSC

Graduating seniors may pick up their graduation announcements for the January commencement at the Cashier's window in the Memorial Student Center.

Extra announcements will go on sale Thursday morning at 8.

in products prepared for human and animal consumption, or for medical treatment and that it should also lead to many new diagnostic procedures in medical practice.

Previously unknown factors in this regard have been revealed by the A&M \$30,000 electron microscope and will be extensively evaluated under the new program by Whitehouse and associates.

The use of clay minerals as agents in detecting trichinosis and rheumatoid arthritis has already shown great promise, according to Whitehouse.

"Our basic work will be closely coordinated with the diagnostic research of the National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases," he said.

Luncheon To Kick-off Ceremonies for Guests

Official dedication ceremonies for the new \$3,250,000 Data Processing Center on the A&M campus will be held tomorrow with Chancellor M. T. Harrington presiding.

An unofficial program was held today for the benefit of the approximately 125 newspaper, radio and television representatives present for the dedication. The men were given a short preview of the background of the new center and then were guests for lunch in the MSC before being taken on a tour of the Data Processing Center.

A luncheon at 12:30 tomorrow will officially kick-off the dedication ceremonies. Guests will include college and university representatives from throughout the Southwest, representatives from state departments of Austin.

Chancellor Harrington will make a few brief remarks concerning both the background and future of the high new Center before turning the program over to A. M. Muldrow, chairman of the Texas Commission for Higher Education. Muldrow will speak briefly on the center's impact on education and research in Texas.

Muldrow will be followed by the principal speaker, T. V. Learson, vice president of the International Business Machines (IBM) Corp. in New York.

Following the luncheon, Chancellor Harrington will officially open the center with the cutting of a magnetic tape, which will replace the usual ribbon. The guests will then be taken on an official tour of the building.

Following the tour, the building will be open to the public for a special open house from 4 until 10 p.m. Guided tours, which will last around 30 minutes, will be held at this time.

The new center, which will be used by all Southern colleges, universities and science research groups and by Southern industry, has one of the four giant IBM-704 electronic computers found on college campuses in the nation. The other three are at MIT, UCLA and the University of California at Berkeley.

The center's services will be available, without cost, for non-sponsored research by colleges or universities. Standard fees will be charged for sponsored research.

Dr. Aaron Rose, director of the Engineering Experiment Station here at A&M, will have supervision over the new Data Processing Center. He will work with a staff of approximately 30 in offering courses in electronic computation and data processing to approximately 250 students.

The new center is located north of the Agricultural Information Office.

President Commends Band, Cagers

Earl Rudder today expressed the appreciation to the A&M Band and to the Aggie Basketball Squad.

"Both groups took time from their Christmas holidays to represent the college in extra curricular activities and both organizations did a creditable job," President Rudder stated.

The Band, under the direction of Lt. Col. E. V. Adams, appeared in the Bluebonnet Bowl's pre-game ceremonies in Houston on Dec. 19. This public appearance on the first day of the Christmas holidays was viewed not only by the football enthusiasts in Rice Stadium, but by a nation-wide television audience as well.

The Aggie basketball squad, coached by Bob Rogers, participated in the Southwest Conference Basketball Tournament in Houston last week during the Christmas holiday period. The team, doing more than participating, won the tournament for the second consecutive year bringing special recognition to the college.

"These two organizations, the Band and the basketball squad, are to be complimented on their achievements which are in keeping with the highest traditions of Aggieland," President Rudder said.

Faculty Fellowship Cancelled in Jan.

The Faculty Christian Fellowship will not meet in January, Vance Edmundson, president, announced today.

Snow, Ice Cover Oklahoma Area

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Oklahoma was encased in snow and ice today as harassed motorists moved to work over slippery roads.

An overnight freeze left roads a solid sheet of ice after snow had piled up to 8 and 10 inches in some sections of the state. Forecasters said they expected the snow to end in the east today but the cold weather was likely to hold through Thursday.

The snow started late Monday night and continued steadily Tuesday. Only the Panhandle and some extreme northern and eastern

portions escaped the snow. Highways remained open but travel was extremely hazardous and the Highway Patrol discouraged all travel unless on an emergency basis. U. S. 66 west of El Reno and U. S. 81 north to Enid were the chief trouble spots.

Eleven persons were injured when a Jordan Bus Co. bus careened out of control near Tecumseh Tuesday during a snowstorm. Driver Cleo Hughes, 45, of Oklahoma City was critically hurt. The other passengers were not hurt seriously.



President Earl Rudder
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Rudder to be Inaugurated in March

President Earl Rudder will be inaugurated as the 14th president of A&M Saturday, March 26. President Rudder is a 1932 graduate of A&M.

The inaugural ceremonies, which will be attended by distinguished educators, business, military and civic leaders from throughout the nation, will be held at 10:45 a. m. in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Dr. Troy Middleton, president, of Louisiana State University, will deliver the inaugural address. J. J. Woolket, professor and head of the Department of Modern Languages, is chairman of the Inaugural Committee.

The Corps of Cadets will pass in review at 9 a. m. The inaugural luncheon will be held at 12:30 p. m. in Sbis Hall and the president's reception, 2:30 to 4 p. m., will be

given in the Memorial Student Center.

President Rudder, a native Texan, (Eden in Concho County), was named president on the college July 1, 1959, after serving as vice president from Feb. 1, 1958.

An outstanding public servant, businessman and educator, he has served as mayor of Brady, Commissioner of the General Land Office of Texas, chairman of the

Officer Test Slated Friday

The Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (Sta-9) will be administered Friday, in Room 229 of the Chemistry Building starting at 6:30 a. m., said Capt. E. J. Briggs, officer in charge of Air Science I and II.

He said anyone desiring to take the test should report to the Chemistry Building at the scheduled time.

Veterans' Land Board, public school teacher, State Board of Public Welfare, vice president of the Brady Aviation Corp., State Highway Department and many other posts.

President Rudder, while commissioned of the General Land Office, promoted the interest of the two great educational funds, the Permanent School Fund and Permanent University Fund, which

form the foundation of the public and higher educational system of Texas.

He has a brilliant military record, (World War II, Europe). He is commanding general, 90th Infantry Division, U. S. Army Reserve, with the rank of major general and holds many military decorations.

Since 1956, President Rudder has been a member of the Department of the Army General Staff Committee on National Guard and Army Reserve Policy. He was appointed by the secretary of defense to the Reserve Forces Policy Board in November, 1959.

President Rudder is a Methodist, a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Ben Hur Shrine Temple, Austin. He is a

life member of the Texas Heritage Foundation, the Philosophical Society and is the recipient of McCulloch County's Distinguished Service Award.

In June, 1958, he was awarded the Silver Citizenship Award, Veterans of Foreign Wars and is a member of the board of directors of the Texas Law Enforcement Administration.

In 1956 he was named to Sports Illustrated magazine's 1956 Silver Anniversary All-American football team. He played on the A&M football team and coached at John Tarleton State College.

President and Mrs. Rudder are the parents of five children, James Earl Jr., 19; Margaret Anne, 17; Linda, 12; Jane, 11; and Robert 5.