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## Battalion Has Staff Changes

Several changes on the editorial staff of The Battalion were announced today by Battalion Editor Johnny Johnson.

Sports Editor Bob Weekley has resigned effective the end of this semester to take a job on the sports staff of The Port Arthur News. Assistant Sports Editor Joe Callicotte, junior journalism major from Atlanta, has been tentatively named to replace Weekley.

Bill Hicklin, junior journalism major from Corpus Christi, has been named managing editor.

Ben Trail, sophomore journalism major from Omaha, Neb., and Bob Sloan, sophomore journalism major from Dallas, have been promoted to assistant news editors. The pair, former staff writers, will assist News Editor Robbie Godwin, junior journalism major from Robert Lee.

Al Vela, sophomore journalism major from Houston, will assist Callicotte in handling sports in addition to working with the news staff.

Remaining members of The Battalion staff are Ken Coppage, sophomore business administration major from Oklahoma City; Tommy Holbein, sophomore journalism major from Hebronville; Jack Hartsfield, senior journalism major from Waco; Bob Salla, senior journalism major from Houston; and Alan Payne, freshman journalism major from Sulphur Springs, who are all staff writers.

Joe Jackson, senior civil engineering major from Wichita Falls, is photographer.



### Ninety-Four Thousand Smiths

The Department of Public Safety in Austin is being swamped by requests for copies of drivers accident records. Here pretty Mrs. Barbara Jones looks for the record of a driver named Smith. She is surrounded by files containing the records of 94,000 Smiths among Texas' 4,357,000 licensed drivers. Since the Texas Safe Driving Plan went into effect, requests for such record checks have soared from 4,000 a month to that many in a single day. Anyone can obtain a copy of his record by writing the department, a fee of fifty cents is charged. (AP Wirephoto)

## Rudder Urges Cooperation

President Earl Rudder spoke to the Student Administrators Advisory Conference last Thursday and told them college and public school administrators should work together more for the benefit of college-bound Texas youngsters.

The conference, sponsored by the Texas Education Agency, closed Friday and followed a series of group discussions. The meetings were planned to bring school officials up to date on educational developments and regulations and for evaluation of current educational programs.

"We can't have the college professors in a huddle on one side and the public school teachers off to themselves on the other side," Rudder told delegates.

He said, "We hear a lot of criticism from college teachers on the poor preparation given their students back home in high school."

"And at the same time, we hear high school teachers, complaining that college professors may be specialists in their field but they

don't really know how to teach." "Perhaps there are valid points to be made on both sides," he said. "But, until we try to solve them together, the situation never will improve."

Gov. Price Daniel and Mrs. Mary Alexander of Palestine, president of the Texas State Teachers Assn., also addressed Thursday's general session.

Mrs. Alexander told the conference Daniel must call a special session of the Legislature soon if any progress is to be made on the Hale-Aikin proposals for school improvement.

She said "children will pay the penalty" if elected officials "fail to take the initiative in providing an improved foundation program, which would include better salaries for teachers."

Waiting until the regular legislative session in 1961 will be a mistake, Mrs. Alexander said, because under the constitution, "no new appropriations will be considered until all other financial problems of the state have been solved."

# Welch Funds To Aid Chemistry Research

## Profs Receive Grants To Study

Funds amounting to \$142,000, supporting seven major research studies in chemistry, within the A&M College System, have been received from the Robert A. Welch Foundation of Houston.

Six of the grants were made to support work based at College Station, and one grant was made for work now under way at Prairie View A&M.

Grants, amounts, recipients and nature of the projects are as follow:

A grant of \$10,000 to Dr. Russel Couch, professor of biochemistry and nutrition and poultry science, A&M, for studies on the biochemistry of trace elements;

A grant of \$15,000 to Dr. Raymond Reiser, professor of biochemistry, A&M for study of the chemical nature and behavior of lipides;

A grant of \$30,000 (\$15,000 per year for two years) to Dr. C. T. Stubblefield, Prairie View, for modification of the microcalorimeter and a study of stabilization of the rare earths through complexing;

A grant of \$15,000 to Dr. Donald W. Hood, Department of Oceanography and Meteorology, A&M, for studies of the chemistry of eotocrine compounds of sea water;

A grant of \$37,500 to Dr. C. K. Hancock, Department of Chemistry, A&M, for the studies of the effect of structure on the reactivity and properties of organic compounds;

A grant of \$20,000 to Dr. Joe S. Ham, Department of Physics, A&M, for studies of properties of high polymers and their solution under pressure and a grant of \$15,000 to Dr. A. W. Jache, Department of Chemistry, A&M, for studies in microwave spectroscopy.

## Medlin Speaks To Lions

The College Station Lions Club heard A. B. Medlin, an associate professor in the Department of Biology and a member of the club, explain the operation of Lions International from both the local to the international level at the club's regular Monday luncheon in the Memorial Student Center.

In stressing the tremendous growth of Lions clubs throughout the world, Medlin said that representative organizations of Lions are now found in 103 countries.

The local member urged all Lions present to attend the coming Lions Mid-Winter Conference to be held in the MSC Jan. 17. Approximately 300 Lions from clubs in this district are expected to attend.

Preceding the talk by Medlin, D. R. Fletcher revealed the program under planning for the Mid-Winter Conference. Fletcher promised the club an excellent speaker and a smorgasbord for all Lions and their wives. The Singing Cadets will furnish entertainment for the conference.

Tentative plans for an Honor Council for the Lions-sponsored Boy Scout troop in College Station were discussed and planned for next Monday night.

Freddie Wolters, Tailtwister in the club, presided in the absence of President A. L. Flowers, who was out of town.

## Bell Elected Vet President

Dr. Brittan D. Bell of Huntsville has been elected president of the Brazos Valley Veterinary Medical Assn. for 1960.

The Brazos veterinary group has one of the largest memberships in the state and meets the first Tuesday evening of each odd-numbered month.

Other officers named were Dr. Paul F. Junkerman of Bryan, vice president, and Dr. Melvin R. Callahan of College Station, secretary-treasurer.

The new officers were elected during a recent meeting of the association at A&M.



### Held In Slaying

Frank Robinson, right, retired butcher, is shown with San Antonio patrolman Kretzchmar who apprehended him after Robinson, who admitted to police, had beaten his three children to death with a claw hammer. Robinson told police he couldn't explain beating three of the children. (AP Wirephoto)

By Dean Hannigan

## MSC Council Votes Constitution Change

By ROBBIE GODWIN  
Battalion News Editor

The Memorial Student Center Council voted unanimously last night to accept Dean of Students James P. Hannigan's proposed changes to the Center's constitution.

The first, concerning the director of the Center was changed from: "He shall be appointed by the President of the College, in recommendation of the Memorial Student Center Council, and shall be responsible to the President through the Director of Student Personnel Services."

To read: "He shall be appointed by the President of the College and shall be responsible to the President through the Dean of Students. The MSC Council shall be invited to express its opinion if a vacancy in

this position occurs."

Another change, concerning the council itself, read:

"The Council shall be a standing committee of the Academic Council for the purpose of forming the general policies and directing the organization and operation of the activities... in the Center..."

It was changed to read:

"The council shall be organized for the purpose of forming the general policies..."

"The Council will report its activities to the President of the College through the Director of the MSC, and through the Dean of Students."

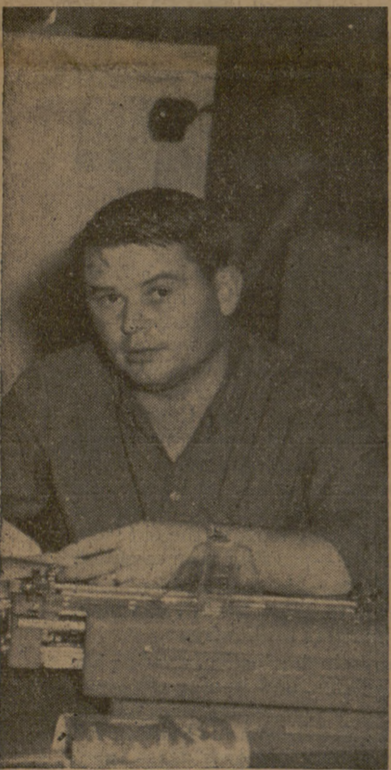
The third change involved the membership of the council. The members named were the faculty group and the student representatives.

Instead of the five faculty members being appointed by the President of the College directly, they will now be appointed on recommendation of the Dean of Students.

In other action, Clyde Whitwell reported on a committee to set up rules for the annual lost and found auction. The council adopted the rules, which included putting signs up on the clothes racks telling where the lost and found desk is located, where the money from the auction will go, and how long they will be held. The Council proposition stated that every reasonable effort will be made to locate the owner of the merchandise.

In another committee report, Great Issues reported clearing \$327.75 on gate receipts for Robert Kennedy's speech. The Browsing Library reported receiving four newspapers, five 45 r.p.m. record player adapters, two Bibles and a book of poetry.

Charles Yost reported for the Dance Committee, requesting a \$300 loan of the Council to combine with \$200 revolving fund set up at the beginning of the semester to buy tables for use at Rue Pinale and other dances sponsored by the committee. The council approved the loan.



Bob Weekley  
... Sports Editor Resigns

## Activity Rebate Applications Set at Housing

Graduating seniors who paid the Student Activity Fee and will not be in school the Spring Semester may obtain the refund on the Spring portion of that fee by making application at the Housing Office.

Students must present their Town Hall, Great Issues, and Athletic tickets in order to be eligible for refund. Dormitory students must turn in their mattress covers before claiming any refund.

Graduating seniors who live in dormitories may obtain a refund of the last week of dormitory fees by reporting to the Fiscal Office during the week of Jan. 18-23.

Students other than graduating seniors, who will not be in school during the Spring Semester, may make arrangements for their student Activity Fee refunds when they turn in their clearances prior to leaving the campus.

# Cadets Break Top Ten—8th in Poll

From The Associated Press  
A&M cagers added more spice to their best season in 40 years as the Cadets crashed the top ten of America's elite round-ballers—taking the 8th post in the weekly Associated Press basketball poll.

352 Votes

Cadets Coach Bob Rogers' smooth outfit, carrying their unbeaten string through 10 games well into January, polled 352 votes from the nation's sports writers. Perennially powerful Utah had 412 votes for 7th place and Villanova, one of the remaining four unbeaten major colleges in the land, had 263 votes for 9th place.

Cincinnati Still 1st  
Cincinnati, with Oscar Robert-

### Guide Posts

"We have got used to the idea of people living without consciously accepting Christ as their savior, so that our evangelism has tended to become an expression of our sense of duty as Christians rather than an expression of our concern that people must be evangelized."—D. T. Niles

son still running rampant on the hardwoods, continued to dominate the poll, tallying 147 first place votes from 174 sports writers and broadcasters. California, last year's NCAA champs, followed the Bearcats with six first place votes and 1,455 total points, compared with Cincinnati's 1,716 total.

### West Virginia Third

West Virginia, runner-up to California for the NCAA title last year, held the third spot, amassing more first place votes than

California—12—but falling behind in the total with 1,356 votes.

A&M overcame Baylor and Texas Christian last week to grab the eighth slot. The post was formerly held by Wake Forest.

Other teams in the first ten included Ohio State, the Big Ten leader, Georgia Tech and Southern California, the only team to defeat California this year.

### Second Ten

St. Louis, Utah State, Wake Forest, Illinois, Miami, Fla., North Carolina, Kentucky, Toledo, La-

## Graduation Program Set

The program for the commencement at A&M, Jan. 23 will be held in the G. Rollie White Coliseum. The program will get under way at 10 a.m.

The program follows:  
Procession, "Triumphal March," Grieg, Mrs. A. B. Medlen, organist.

Invocation, Cadet Lt. Colonel Philip G. Robberson of San Antonio, corps chaplain.

Announcements and introduction of speaker, President Earl Rudder.

Commencement address, Dr. Eugene Slater, minister, Polk Street Methodist Church of Amarillo.

Conferring degrees, President Rudder.

"The Spirit of Arggeland," Dunn, graduates and audience led by Cadet Lt. Col. Joe M. Leeper of Dickinson.

Benediction, James O. Manley of Baytown, civilian chaplain.

Recession, "Festival Postlude," Martin, Mrs. A. B. Medlen, organist.

Salle and Detroit completed the second ten.

The Aggies, currently locked for the Southwest Conference lead with Texas, who defeated Arkansas last night, meet Southern Methodist tonight in G. Rollie White Coliseum and Texas, also here Friday night.

Villanova, who along with the Farmers crashed the first ten for the first time in the season, carry unbeaten records into coming conference play.

### Few Switches

The switches of Illinois and Wake Forest from the first ten, with A&M and Villanova, and the changing of Ohio State with Utah, with the Buckeyes moving to fifth and the Utes dropping to seventh were the only differences in the poll.

The top ten based on 10 points for first, 9 for second, etc., with first place votes in parentheses:

1. Cincinnati (147)	1,716
2. California (6)	1,455
3. West Virginia (12)	1,356
4. Bradley	888
5. Ohio State	858
6. Georgia Tech (2)	814
7. Utah	412
8. Texas A&M	352
9. Villanova	263
10. Southern California	236
Second Ten	
11. St. Louis	168
12. Utah State	162

13. Wake Forest	144
14. Illinois	124
15. Miami, Fla. (5)	113
16. North Carolina	88
17. Kentucky	85
18. Toledo	67
19. LaSalle	51
20. Detroit	37

## Local Realtor Gets Honor

Miss Velma Erisman Redmond of Bryan was awarded the designation of Certified Master Broker in ceremonies Friday at the Real Estate Institute of the Texas Real Estate Assn.

Jerome L. Howard, education committee chairman, presided at the awards luncheon and John E. Wolf, president, presented the certificate.

The luncheon was a part of the three day program of the Texas Real Estate Association's Mid-Winter meetings and installation.

Designations were presented to 112 Texas realtors and their associates for having completed prescribed courses and examinations at the TREA's third Real Estate Institute which was held in Austin, Aug. 9-15.