



Two Students Win Awards

A&M Agronomy Students Dale R. Darling, left, of Bryan, and Franklin G. Lange, center, of Bartlett, each receive \$200 scholarships from the Trans-Mississippi Golf Assn. Presenting the awards in behalf of the T-MGA is Dr. Marvin H. Ferguson, mid-coastal

director of the U. S. Golf Assn., Green Section. The scholarships are given each year to outstanding agronomy students interested in turf production and management. This year's presentation was Darling's second time to win the scholarship.

## Tilden Was Named Dog Town

TILDEN, Tex. (P) Dogs outnumbered cowboys 10 to 1 in the old days when this town was known as Dog Town.

After the presidential election of 1876 the name of the town was changed to Tilden but people still called it Dog Town.

The town was settled by a few pioneer ranchers who built homes in a bend of the Rio as protection against Mexican bandits and plundering Comanches. An enterprising merchant moved in with a few groceries set up a little bar and established the town's first store.

Every cowman in the area had a pack of dogs to hunt wild cattle and when they gathered in the new town the name Dog Town became inevitable.

The population of Dog Town in the '80's was only 250—but there were many more dogs.

According to legend the local postmaster did not care too much for formality. When the Laredo-San Antonio stage arrived he would grab the mail pouch, dump the letters on the floor of the post office and shout: "There's your mail boys. Pick it out."

Another legend about the town concerned one of the local horse

thieves and gamblers who was at a loss for excitement. He bet a friend that he could shoot the hat off a drunk slumbering beneath a mesquite in front of a store.

The bullet was low and while no one particularly mourned the death of the sleeping man, they did deplore the work necessary to bury him.

Old timers, wishing to prevent the town from getting a bad name, organized the Dog Town Vigilance Committee and one morning passed the word that thieves, gamblers and bums were no longer welcome.

Before dark most of the outlaws left town.

Cotton culture and other farming began to be developed about

1900, with an irrigation project furnished from the Nueces river. In 1920 the discovery of oil gave a boost to the county's finances, and it was about that time that the present courthouse was built.

## Cody Faces Questioning In Finch Case

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Jack Cody, a coarse, cocky con man who claims he was hired to kill, faced another seige by the cross-examiner in the Finch murder trial today as it became evident the defense will contend:

1. That Cody was hired to entrap Barbara Jean Finch romantically, not to murder her.

2. That Dr. R. Bernard Finch was not armed when he went to see his wife the night of her death, and that he killed her by accident or in self defense.

Finch, wealthy 42-year-old surgeon, is on trial with his pretty mistress, Carole Tregoff, 23. They are accused of murder in the July 18 gunshot death of Mrs. Finch, 36. She was slain outside her suburban home.

Cody, brought here to testify from the Minneapolis workhouse, insisted again Wednesday under cross-examination that the doctor and Miss Tregoff paid him \$1,400 to do away with Mrs. Finch, and that he had no intention of going through with it. But he was more vague about his purported conversations with Miss Tregoff than he had been under examination by the prosecution.

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