

Fish Drill Team Names CO, 1st Sgt

A&M's crack Freshman Drill Team has selected its commander and first sergeant. H. W. Schmid, Jr., a pre-dental major from San Antonio, is in the top spot of the group. V. H. Thompson III, an aeronautical engineering major from Houston, is in the second slot.

The team is composed of 57 members of the Class of '64. Out of these, 47 have had previous ROTC experience. Twenty seven

were on drill teams and seven served as drill team commanders.

Schmid, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Schmid. He attended Central Catholic High School in San Antonio. He was commander of the Central Catholic drill team. He is in Company H-2.

Thompson, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Thompson, Jr. He graduated from Sam Houston High School in Houston. At Sam Houston he was commander of the drill team. He is in Squadron 9.

Dr. Hedges Named Assistant Professor

Dr. Richard M. Hedges has been named an assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry, Dr. P. K. Calaway, head of the department, has announced.

Dr. Hedges is teaching physical

chemistry and lecturing in freshman chemistry at present.

He holds a BS degree from Southern Methodist University and his PhD degree from Iowa State University, 1955, majoring in physical chemistry and minoring in mathematics. At Iowa State Dr. Hedges worked with Dr. Harrison Shull.

Faculty, Staff Club To Meet Thursday For Second Dance

The College Faculty Staff Dinner Club will meet Thursday at 7:30 p. m. in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center for the second dinner dance of the season. B. A. Zinn, club chairman, has announced.

Music will be furnished by the Argieland Combo. Dress is formal or informal.

Season tickets for this occasion and the other two meetings of the year may be purchased for \$7 a person from the club secretary, Dr. A. G. Caldwell.

CPS Exam Deadline Dec. 1

The Bryan-College Station Chapter of the National Secretaries Association said all local qualified secretaries interested in the CPS—Certified Professional Secretaries—Examination must submit their applications before the Dec. 1 deadline.

Examination centers for this area are Waco, San Antonio and Houston and the scheduled dates for the test are the first Friday and Saturday in May.

Texas ranks second in the nation in the number of CPS certificate holders, having a total of 173. California is first with 204 secretaries having earned the distinction of the CPS rating, which is a symbol of professional status in the secretarial field.

Secretaries interested in making application, should contact Mrs. Marie Francklow, education chairman of the local NSA chapter, VI 6-7738, for application forms and further information.

Texas Writer, Outdoorsman Dies in Austin

Walter Randolph Logan, 34, a well known outdoor and agricultural writer in Texas and Oklahoma, died at his Austin home Sunday of a heart attack.

Logan published a farm newsletter for A&M and was a writer for the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. He worked in the A&M College Information Office for one and a half years.

He was also a free lance writer and outdoor columnist for the Austin Times Herald, a weekly newspaper, and editor and advertising manager for the Texas Farm and Ranch weekly.

Logan was a graduate of the University of Oklahoma.

He is survived by his widow, a daughter, Evelyn Logan, and two sons, Robert and John, all of Austin; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Logan of Oklahoma; a sister, Miss Jean Logan of Bryan, and one brother, Edward of College Station.



Dr. G. W. Schlesselman, Sam Fort "... that's just what we need"

Huge Dallas Party Termed "Swingin'"

By TOMMY HOLBEIN

"What did you think of the party Saturday night?"

These are some of the answers to that question, in regard to the enormous dance in Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

Marvin Bradshaw, junior architect major from Dallas: "It was so fine! Everything was all right, and the entire party as "swingin'" for everyone who went to it. Many a date was impressed by the dance Saturday night!"

Bob Kilpatrick, senior general business major from Houston: "At the first of the year, everyone harped on unity through strength; I don't know how many people had the strength to walk away from the dance, but I do know there was a close unity between everyone who went to the dance. It was a unity of mutual pleasure, to say the least."

Bill Brantley, sophomore civil engineering major from Rome,

Italy: "It was one of the finest blasts I have ever experienced. The music was perfect, especially Ted Weems. Also, the lighting was 'just right', and there was room enough for everyone to dance comfortably. The whole thing was 'the greatest', and I wish we could have another one next year."

Jim Poss, freshman engineering major from Lake Charles, La.: "On the whole, it was a fine dance, and the Dallas A&M Club put a lot into it. The event was held in a location perfect for its purpose, and I know everyone had a good time."

Along with the praise, there was one dominant complaint about the party: everyone seemed to feel the 'set-ups' including cokes, gingerale and ice were too expensive.

Many also disliked the idea of being prevented from bringing their own set-ups to the dance, instead of buying them at the Auditorium.

Other than these complaints, all 5,000 in attendance at the dance have termed it a "rocking blast".

It is the general consensus of everyone who enjoyed the "blast" that the seven hours in the auditorium were the finest they had spent in who knows when?

One thing for sure: the dance couldn't have been much more of a success than it was!

A native of Silverton in the

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Keeping Tab on Everything Is Big Job for Sam Fort

Keeping tab of everything from a mimeograph machine to a nuclear reactor or from a letter cabinet to a five-ton tractor truck is the job of Sam W. Fort.

A former Marine sergeant, highway patrolman, deputy sheriff and city detective, Fort is inventory supervisor for the Fiscal Office. He is responsible for checking more than 80,000 items each year. He has been with A&M since 1954.

Because of a war injury, Fort had to give up a law enforcement and military career that stretched over a period of more than 20 years—and it was through years of determination that he trained for the responsible position he holds today.

Fort was about 20 years older than the average undergraduate college student when he enrolled at Texas Tech back in 1948 to begin preparing for another career. To finance his schooling and to support his wife and three children, including two in elementary school, he attended class during the day and operated a radio for the highway patrol at night.

Graduated in Three Years

He graduated from Tech in 1951 with a bachelor of science degree in economics. He still wasn't satisfied. He continued his studies for another year and earned an MBA degree in accounting.

As inventory supervisor he checks the inventory of each department and division of A&M, the Texas Engineering Extension Service and the Texas Engineering Experiment Station.

Needless to say, his is a big job. There are more than 60,000 individually-numbered items on the property inventory and an additional 20,000 or more that are carried on the "group" inventory.

Fort and his staff examine the inventory record of each department, division and office, checking to see that each record includes new purchases and transfers as well as the items that were included in the previous inventory.

Needs Complete Records

It is imperative that Fort have a complete record of everything on the inventory so that he can, on short notice, furnish a listing of quantity, type, value and location of tables, desks, fire extinguishers, lawn mowers, rifle telescopes, barometers, analog computers and microscopes and other items.

"It is very seldom that any item, regardless of its age, is discarded because we have found that someone, eventually, will find use for it," Sam says.

Fort renders another valuable service to staff and faculty members. If someone, on short notice, needs more tables or chairs for a conference or short course, he is the man they call.

A native of Silverton in the

Texas Panhandle, Fort's father was a circuit-riding Methodist minister. His boyhood was spent in many Texas towns, including Floydada, Silverton, Plainview, Turkey, Afton, Dimmitt and Muleshoe.

In 1927, when he was in his teens, Fort joined the Marine corps for a six-year enlistment. Promotions were few and far between and when he got his sergeant's stripes, he was the only promotion to that rank in the entire corps that month.

Starts Law Enforcement Career

Following his release from the service, Fort went to Lubbock where he started his law enforcement career, serving on the police force as a city detective for three years. For the next two years he was an agent for the Texas Liquor Control Board, one of his principal jobs being to find and destroy illicit whiskey stills.

Next, he was a deputy sheriff in Hutchinson county, then a Texas highway patrolman in the Amarillo

district. Three years after joining the Highway Patrol he joined the US Navy. It was during 1944 when he was sent to the South Pacific, a gunner's mate aboard an attack transport. He was wounded during the Okinawa campaign.

Following his release from the Navy in 1946, Fort rejoined the Texas Highway Patrol. He was given a desk job because of his war injury. He began thinking of returning to school.

He enrolled in Texas Tech in 1948 and continued working at night as a radio operator for the Department of Public Safety.

Upon graduation, he was transferred to Austin by Col. Homer Garrison, Head of the Department of Public Safety, to set up an inventory for that office.

Mr. and Mrs. Fort have two sons and a daughter, Sam Jr. is a senior animal science major at A&M and George is a junior studying modern language. Ann is a seventh grader at the Lamar junior high school in Bryan.

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the end came each man seemed frantic lest something still remained unsaid.

Nixon put in four hours on television Monday, answering questions phoned in by listeners, and then appeared with President Eisenhower and vice-presidential candidate Henry Cabot Lodge in another 30-minute program.

Kennedy put in 30 minutes of TV rebuttal to Nixon, plus a last moment appeal in a 30-minute show from Boston.

Some sample quotes:

Nixon speaking of Kennedy—"He voices his concern for the people, and then advocates a Niagara of spending which would in the end either raise their taxes or prices, or both, and would cheapen their insurance policies, pensions and Social Security."

Kennedy speaking of Nixon—"Words and gestures—talks and visits—will not bring peace in the future, just as they have failed to bring peace during the last eight years."

Most poll takers give Kennedy a slight edge, but rarely have so many predictions been hedged in so many directions.

The difficulty is simple. Scarcely a one of the 50 states can be rated safely in the bag for either Nixon or Kennedy. Big states like Illinois 27 electoral votes, Michigan 20, Pennsylvania 32 and Texas 24 are tossups.

With 269 electoral votes needed for victory, a slight switch in either direction could upset the most carefully calculated prediction.

Almost lost in the excitement over the presidential race are the

contests for governors and for Congress.

Much of the attention in the gubernatorial races will center on Michigan, Kansas and Illinois.

In Michigan, Democrat G. Mennen Soapy Williams is stepping down after serving a record of six two-year terms. Lt. Gov. John B. Swainson, 35, a Democrat, is running against Paul D. Bagwell, 47, a Michigan State University speech professor.

In Kansas, Democrat Gov. George Docking is trying to become the first member of his party to win three consecutive two-year terms in what once was a predominantly Republican state. John Anderson is supplying the Republican opposition.

In Illinois, Republican Gov. William G. Stratton is shooting for his third four-year term. Otto Karner hopes to beat him.

No matter how the presidential race goes, Democrats are expected to keep control of Congress.

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