



**On The Town**

Mr. and Mrs. LaRue Jones, of College Station, take a few minutes out from dining and dancing in the Century Room of Dallas Hotel Adolphus to pose with Joe Reichman, right, whose orchestra provides entertainment in the room. This was only one of many events attended by the Joneses and nineteen other couples who were treated to a weekend "on the town", July 28-30, as winners of the "Fifty Fabulous Hours" Contest sponsored by the Downtown Dallas Committee of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

**Authorized Absences Procedure Released**

A general memorandum has been released from the President's office at Texas A&M concerning the procedure for authorizing absences.

The College Regulations explain the purpose of the Authorized Absence List in paragraph 17 on Page 4 of the 1960 edition. It will be noted that absence for athletic trips or other activities specifically approved by the Executive Committee, and for hospitalization in the College Hospital, or for illness at home when verified by a statement from the family physician, constitute our only legitimate reasons for inclusion of a student's name on the Authorized Absence List. Where absence is due to other causes, other procedures are applicable as explained in paragraph 17.

The Executive Committee has approved the following procedure for having the names of one or more students placed on the Authorized Absence List:

1. If the entire group consists of students attending only one school, the Dean of that school is the final approving authority. In this case the Dean will notify Mr. Zinn, Director of Student Affairs, of the names of the men to be placed on the Authorized Absence List. The Dean is responsible to see that students on probation or whose grade point ratio is less than 1.0 are not included on the list unless the Dean accepts the responsibility for making the specific exception in such cases.

2. Where the student to be absent is taking courses in more than one school, or where the group of students contains individuals from more than one school, the request for authorized absence will be forwarded through channels to the Dean of Instruction with a statement that none of the students is on probation and that all have grade point ratios of 1.0 or better. After approval one copy will be

sent to Mr. Zinn for inclusion on the Authorized Absence List, one copy will be retained in the Dean of Instruction office, and two copies returned to each Dean concerned.

3. Where the absence is neither on official College business nor due to illness of a student at the College, or at home, the individual student will have to make his own arrangements with his instructors for the absence and to make up any work missed. He will not be placed on the Authorized Absence List.

For requests requiring action by the Dean of Instruction, a minimum of six copies are required. If more than two deans of schools are involved, two additional copies are required for each additional dean. Space should be provided at the bottom of the last sheet for the signatures of approval of each office through which the request must pass.

**Beef Cattle Market Will Be Hard To Predict**

Fort Worth — An abnormally wet early summer, the new governmental feed program, and an unusual market for slaughter cattle are factors which have made the course of the beef cattle business hard to determine in the Southwest this year according to the first monthly Market Summary published by the Feeders Division of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

The Market Summary for July points out that fat cattle weighing over 1,000 pounds were severely penalized during the month and that this resulted in a very narrow spread in the price of standard and choice cattle, and that there also has been a very narrow spread in prices paid for heifer and steer cattle.

The market also reflected a smaller than normal spread between the price of low and high quality feeder cattle.

**Cotton Gins Move Out With Most Other Industry**

By The Associated Press RICHARDSON — The trend in recent years has been to the suburbs. Families and industries have been deserting the cities for more space in the country. Now even a cotton gin is moving to the country.

It all started in January of this year when the Farmers Co-op Society of Richardson decided to move its gin out of town.

Built around the turn of the century when Richardson was a village, the gin in recent years became surrounded by new buildings and hundreds of homes.

As Richardson grew into a relatively large town, acreage that once grew cotton was sold and homes built on the land. Each year for the past five years the cotton crop around the area has diminished.

Farmers who still raise the crop found it difficult to get to the gin

because of the traffic problem created by swarms of cars and people shopping at nearby centers.

Besides that, the city fathers were disturbed by the burning of cotton seed hulls with the resulting smoke and fire hazard.

So in January the 75 members of the Co-op, headed by their president, E. C. Huffhines Jr., met and decided it was time to move the plant to the suburbs. The organization bought five acres at Renner, some 6 miles to the north and closer to cotton farmers.

"We figured it was time to move," explains Huffhines. "Last year about 1,000 acres of land went into building lots with a loss of about 400 bales of cotton."

The actual move began in April and all buildings were moved except the main gin. The cotton house and seed house were cut in sections and moved to the new site, where they were reassembled.

The main gin, obsolete by modern methods, was scrapped, and a modern, fire-proof plant erected on the new grounds. In the new plant machinery will be powered by electricity instead of diesel power which turned the wheels of the old plant.

It cost about \$60,000 to move the plant and it should be complete and ready for the first cotton around the last of August.

All agree the move was for the best. "We hope to gain twice the amount lost last year," said A. L. McGee, the ginmer.

"There will be a lot more room for wagons coming to the gin and more space for the plant and office," says Huffhines, adding, "I plan a farm store where supplies can be purchased along with fertilizer, and the railroad siding will help us to get supplies with less trouble."

**Entrance Exam**

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dent's admission to Texas A&M is accomplished on the basis of his high school transcript, and that the test scores are for purpose of placement.

A validating study of these will be conducted by the Counseling and Testing Center during the school year 1961-62.

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