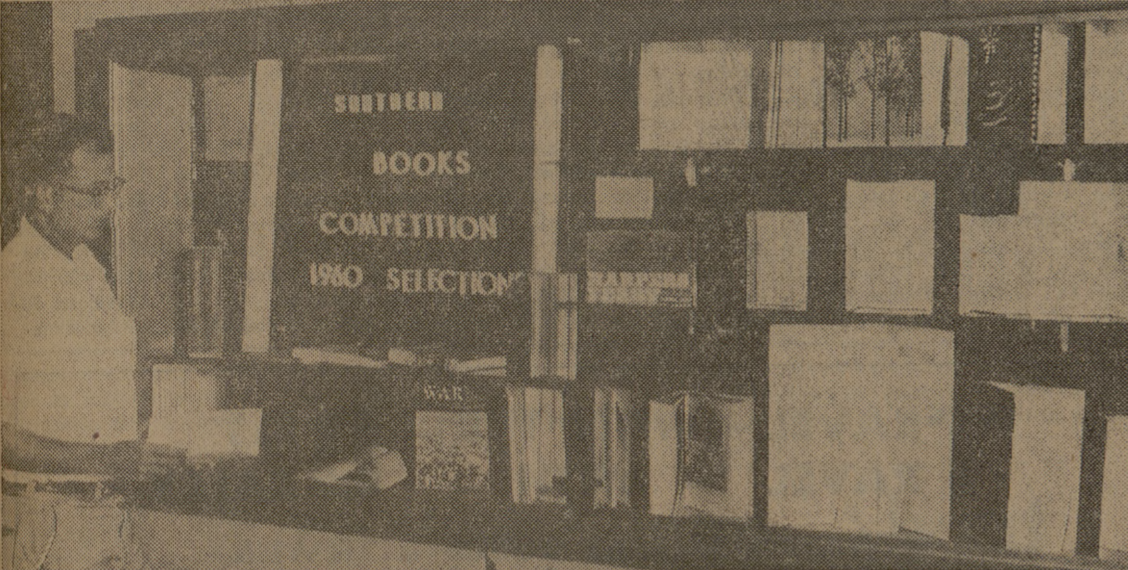


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Book Display

These winning books, 27 in all, are on display in the Cushing Memorial Library at Texas A&M. They were issued by southern publishers and printers as outstanding examples of design and typography in the south in 1960. They will be on display in the Library throughout the month of August. At the right is Robert D. Barnes of Dallas, a graduate student in entomology.

Civil Engineering Professor Awarded \$10,000 Grant

A research grant of \$10,000 has been made to E. P. Segner Jr., assistant professor, Civil Engineering Department, Texas A&M.

The grant is from the American Institute of Steel Construction, Inc., the national service organization representing the structural steel fabricating industry, with national headquarters in New York City.

The grant was made to develop a practical procedure for designing the necessary reinforcement around

large rectangular openings in the webs of wide-flange steel members. The project is expected to require from 12 to 18 months to complete.

"The AISC has been particularly interested in the problem assigned to professor Segner for many years," Dr. S. R. Wright, head of the College's Civil Engineering Department, said today. "The results of the research will provide valuable additional information applicable to the structural design procedure for providing openings

in the webs of steel beams and girders so as to permit the running of utility ducts within the depths of the beams, rather than be suspended below the beams. This method of construction," Dr. Wright says, "reduces the floor-to-floor height of steel buildings and therefore may materially reduce the cost of the structure."

The research will be done at A&M in the Department of Civil Engineering in cooperation with the Engineering Experiment Station. Professor Segner will be project supervisor.

The project will be monitored by T. R. Higgins of New York, director of engineering and research of the AISC; Fred S. Adams, senior regional engineer in Dallas and Dale Lane, regional engineer in Houston, of the AISC.

Professor Segner joined the C. E. Dept. in 1954. He holds the BS and MS degrees in civil engineering from the University of Texas and will soon complete his Ph.D. degree at A&M. He is currently executive secretary of the Texas Section, American Society of Civil Engineers. He is a former captain in the Air Force, having served as an engineering officer. A member and officer in many professional organizations and honorary societies, he also is the author of several scientific and technical publications.

'Face-Lifting' Given To Campus Grounds

Building walks and reworking the grounds in the old dorm area is now in full swing by the Building & Utilities Department. This work is the beginning of overall improvements of campus grounds. The ground areas between Walton Hall and the college hospital, between the East and West wings

of Walton Hall and north of Dormitory 16 are being completely redone. Dirt and gravel from these areas are being taken out to an average depth of 18 inches. The depth depends on the amount of gravel and type of soil below the surface.

Sandy loam top soil is then being used as a backfill. The dirt is then rough graded to two inches below the walks to allow for one and one-half inches of organic matter. The organic matter is spread evenly over the area with 18 to 20 pounds of complete starter fertilizer per 1000 square feet. The final grade is then established by light rolling and hand raking.

Grounds are then being seeded with Common Bermudagrass and watered in. Water will be provided by an automatic sprinkler system to be installed. Later it will become part of a main system that will cover the entire campus.

For the next few weeks after seeding, the lawn is watered just enough to keep the surface moist. An application of six pounds of ammonium nitrate is applied every four weeks.

Mowing is started when the grass reaches a height of one and one-quarter inches to encourage lateral growth. When these areas are finished they will serve as recreational areas for students living in the area.

New walks being built are for students to march to chow on. The walks will be blocked off to traffic by removable iron posts. Students may drive on these walks only to load and unload their cars. Service vehicles will not be permitted on the walks.

Coin Collecting May Develop Into A Valuable Hobby

If you are looking for a hobby which actually increases in value throughout the years, then look no further. Try coin collecting.

Although numismatics or coin collecting is one of the world's oldest hobbies, dating back several centuries, a remarkable new interest has arisen in recent years—the Bryan-College Station area is no exception. In fact, one authority on coin collecting estimates that eight out of 10 persons in and around Bryan-College Station collect coins either as an amateur or an advanced collector.

Interest varies from tokens to gold coins with the ages of collectors ranging from five to seventy years. One avid eight-year-old of this area is so interested in a certain set of coins that he is making payments out of his allowance to acquire it. So far, he has paid 90 cents of the \$5.70 price on this set.

The reasons for collecting coins vary from merely a luxurious hobby to a unique method of investing in the future. Many parents use buying and selling coins as a means of preparing for their children's future education.

The growing interest of this profitable hobby has prompted the organization of the Bi-City Coin Club, which meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month, and the recent opening of a coin and stamp shop in downtown Bryan.

Becoming a "numismatist" can begin as simply as merely checking even your most common pocket change—and it can be very profitable.

Joe Swan Joins College Information, Publication Staff



Joe Swan

Information Released For Fall Rooms

The Department of Student Affairs has released the information concerning room reservations for the fall semester. This procedure should be followed to insure a place to stay.

All students pay fees and reserve rooms according to the following procedure:

- a. Veterans report to Veterans Advisor's Office, on ground floor YMCA.
- b. Pay fees at the Fiscal Office (either \$6 room reservation fee, first installment, or entire semester).
- c. Reserve rooms at the Housing Office according to the following procedure:

1. Students who will be in the Corps of Cadets in the fall may reserve rooms beginning at 8 a.m. Monday, August 21.

2. Civilian rooms which have not been reserved by \$6 room reservation, in accordance with procedure established at the end of the Spring Semester, may be reserved by students now in school, on a first come, first served basis beginning at 8 a.m. Monday, August 21.

3. Civilian students now in school who have already sent in the \$6 room reservation for the fall, should come by the Housing Office and verify their reservations before 5 p.m. Friday, August 25.

All students with their belongings must be moved to their new rooms by 7 p.m. Friday, August 25. Dormitories now closed will be unlocked from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on August 24 and 25 to accommodate students who must move. In order to protect student property, all dormitories except Ramps C and D of Hart Hall and Milner Hall will be locked at 7 p.m. Friday, August 25. Students who wish to remain on the campus between terms may register for C and D Ramps of Hart Hall or Milner Hall for this period by paying (See Information Page 3)

Take TCU Position Bob Carrell Will

Joe Swan, former director of public information at Howard Payne and at Wisconsin State at Superior, will join Texas A&M College's Department of College Information and Publications on September 1. He replaces Bob Carrell, Jr. who has accepted a position in the Journalism Department at Texas Christian University.

He, who holds the masters degree in education from Howard Payne College, has done post-graduate work in journalism at Southern Methodist University. In addition to his work in public information, he has taught journalism at Howard Payne and Wisconsin State, and supervised the college newspaper and yearbook at both institutions.

"At Texas A&M Swan will have responsibility primarily for the College's informational publications," Lee Duewall, director of Information and Publications, said. Duewall paid tribute to Bob Carrell for his outstanding service to the College during the past two years. "We regret losing Carrell," the director said, "but we are fortunate to have found an outstanding young man like Joe Swan to succeed him."

Swan, a native of Gorman in Eastland county, has professional newspaper experience on the Houston Post and the Brownwood Bulletin. During the Korean conflict he edited two army newspapers and served as a combat correspondent.

At Howard Payne he was editor of the student newspaper. As a freelance writer and photographer the Joe Swan bi-line has appeared in many publications. He is a regular contributor to Texas Parade magazine.

His experience also includes radio continuity writing. At both Howard Payne and at Wisconsin State, Swan was responsible for informational publications in his job as director of public information.

For the past two years he has been employed by John A. Scott and Co., Dallas typographers.

Swan, 32, is married to the former Laura Mae Jones of Dallas. They have a son, Dick, 8, and a daughter, Debbie, 5. The family are members of the Baptist church.

Post Office Getting Into Shape After Church Street Move

Moving of the College Station post office to temporary quarters at 311 Church Street has been completed.

Ernest Gregg, acting postmaster, reports that things are shaping up very well and an efficient service can again be expected by customers. Gregg also reports that the incoming and out-going mail can be handled even better than in the old post office.

In the post office Gregg states that there will be a complete remodeling and total replacement of all old equipment. New equipment will include a modern heating and air conditioning unit, new boxes, more box space, fluorescent lighting and banker type counters.

The offices will be rearranged to provide more space and add to the efficiency of operation. The equipment now being used is 24-years-old and is ready for replacement. The expected date of opening of the new post office will be either April or May of 1962.

6,996 Visit Campus During June and July

A total of 6,996 visitors were on the campus of Texas A&M during the months of June and July, P. L. Downs, Jr., official greeter of the College announced today. They were attending short courses, conferences, class reunions and other scheduled meetings. The College had 723,512 visitors on the campus for scheduled meetings and activities during the twelve years and two month period from June 1, 1949, to August 1, 1961.

College Station Bank Plans New Building

College Station State Bank is in the process of building a new plant two blocks east of the old bank on Sulphur Springs Road. The new bank is designed to fit the needs and desires of its customers.

The new bank, which is expected to open on December 1, has been designed around the ideas proposed by bank customers, according to bank President Harold Sullivan.

Cards were sent out to all the bank's customers requesting them to make known what they would desire in a new bank. Eighty per cent of the customers completed and returned the cards.

Making use of this information as well as information obtained from 60 other banks of similar customer size, and data concerning

the projected growth and banking needs of this area, the bank officials were able to obtain a clear picture of the basic requirements the new bank should meet.

This careful study revealed a definite need for certain specific conveniences. These will be: a fully air conditioned building, a 265 square foot lobby, two canopied drive up windows and a large parking lot.

Most important, the new bank will be the only bank in this area to have an outside walk up window. This window will make it possible for the bank to serve its customers before and after hours without opening the doors.

The old bank building has been purchased by the Presbyterian Church of College Station for use as a probable student center.

Archery Is Old, But Fast Growing Sport

"Archery is an old art but a fast growing sport," states a Bryan sports dealer. He said people in the Bryan-College Station area know of the facilities available to them in this sport.

The City of College Station makes available each year a class for beginning archers. The city furnishes the bows and arrows and the instructor. The class meets

twice a week and last for six weeks. The cost for such instruction is about 25 cents a meeting.

Field archery facilities are also available. The Brazos Valley Bowmen, a school affiliated club, has a range on state property just beyond the Easterwood Airport cut-off on Farm Road 2513. This range has 14 targets arranged in

Meat Judging Team To Go To Ft. Worth

A two-day workout at Fort Worth is scheduled for members of the Senior Meat Judging Team of Texas A&M.

Team members will meet at the Westbrook Hotel in Fort Worth, September 12. The workout will begin early the next morning at both the Swift and Armour plants. The team members will return to A&M the night of September 14, in order for them to register on the following morning, according to Frank A. Orts, coach of the senior and junior meat judging teams.

Orts says, "Workouts are planned as early as possible in preparation for coming meat judging contests early in the fall. The contests will have stiff competition and we want to be ready for them."

"The art of judging and evaluation of meats is acquired through

many hours of study, training and practice," says Orts. "Students must have a love for meats and a desire to know more about them and be willing to invest much time and money to survive the competition and become a member of the Texas A&M Meats Team."

"Also, a meat judge must have a basic understanding of consumer desires of type of meat used on the table. In addition, a meat judge must have adequate knowledge of the English language in order to construct an acceptable set of reasons. This is only achieved through long hours of practice both judging of various carcasses and cuts as well as writing reasons."

"Primary aim of meat judging, of course, is from competitive standpoint, but equally important is that individuals have adequate appreciation of the quality of beef, lamb and pork," says Orts.



"Skip To My Lou"

Dancers from all over the nation gathered in the Memorial Student Center this week for the Annual Dance Institute for Recreation Leaders. Mr. and Mrs. Manning Smith were in charge of the affair. Smith is the dance instructor for the MSC during the regular school year.