

BATTALION EDITORIALS

For 85 Years

It's been 85 years now, since Texas A&M threw open its doors to those first 40 students that brisk October afternoon, ushering in a new era in Texas education.

It's been 85 years of growth and progress; of dedicated service to the state and nation. It's been 85 years of producing men who can handle any situation; of producing leaders for every walk of life.

And yet the original aim of the Texas Legislature in establishing the school outlined in 1876 by Gov. Richard Coke, has remained paramount: "... to bring down to the lowest possible figure the cost of an education which shall be at the same time thorough liberal and practical ... to teach agriculture and mechanic arts ... without excluding other scientific and classical studies, including military tactics."

The original idea has grown until today nearly 8,000 students receive the best possible instruction in 51 different fields. And the cost has remained such that even students of the most modest means can afford a college education.

The facilities available at Texas A&M today would stagger the imagination of the student of 85 years past. To even list them would require many pages. Just this year, for example, we have watched the growth of a \$2-million Plant Sciences Building, a \$3-million nuclear science center, a \$400,000 wing on the Physics Building and a \$350,000 addition to the Military Sciences Building.

And more projects are on the way—air conditioning for campus buildings, an outdoor swimming pool, an Architecture Building, and on and on.

But today, as in the past, it is the men A&M produces that make the school. Men such as were found in the Class of 1917, who volunteered en masse to serve their country in World War I. Men such as the six Congressional Medal of Honor winners of World War II.

These men—proud and dedicated—are still found at Texas A&M. Now, as the school moves forward into its 86th year, these men will more than ever be the measure of her greatness.



Pass In Review

Well, Ol' Army didn't think much of picture taken at the MSC Dance Committee's weekly dance class (Tuesday's Battalion).

Biggest gripe seemed to be a fear other schools might see the picture and make jokes about the Aggies. Biggest fear we've got about the whole situation is that the Aggies may have forgotten how to laugh at themselves.

Here's a situation that could only happen at A&M! We've got 7,694 MEN down here—and, naturally, a girl shortage. For years this has been the ingredient of a million and one jokes by the boys at Co-ed U. And who has laughed hardest at these jokes? Us Ags. 'Cause we know the kind of MAN A&M produces.

And to the guys in the picture, if we've caused you any embarrassment, it was unintentional. We saw only 100 determined Aggies using their initiative to overcome one of the more serious drawbacks to learning to dance at A&M—namely a serious shortage of girls.

But then every school worth its salt has problems.

Counter espionage Department: The CIA could learn a lot from our modern language profs. To improve the language courses here, one sneaky professor disguised himself as "Joe College" and enrolled in a TU summer session Portuguese class. Besides playing havoc with the class average curve, our spy found the students there were using the language lab for "romance" languages other than Spanish and French. Amo, amas, ama.

Over the airwaves this week: "On The Beam" is a weekly feature of KORA, presented each night Monday through Friday.

Well, yes, guess that is just about a week. We also learned, via the radio, that "Mr. Wedge has formed a Fourth Brigade."

Confidential to "A Friend (?)" Have you ever asked her?

The-World-Gets-Smaller-Every-Day Department. Sign in front of Dorm 17 proclaims: "LaGrange—36 miles." We would have sworn it was a lot further.

THE BATTALION

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CADET SLOUCH



"... as chairman of th' '85th Anniversary Committee, I move that class be dismissed in honor of this glorious occasion!"

Bulletin Board

- Hometown Clubs**
- Amarillo Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 126, Academic Building.
- Snyder Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 207, Academic Building.
- Borger Hometown Club formation meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Room 411, Academic Building.
- Abilene Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 206, Academic Building.
- Pasadena Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 128, Academic Building.
- Johnson County Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 127, Academic Building.
- Lavaca County Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 106, Academic Building.
- Matagorda County Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA Anderson Room.
- Sam Houston of Houston Club will hold an organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA Fountain Room.
- Galveston Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA Brooks Room.
- Milby Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the YMCA Lounge.
- San Angelo-West Texas Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Agricultural Building.
- Bay Area Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 2-A, Memorial Student Center.
- Victoria Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in MSC Main Lounge.
- Angelina County Club will meet at 7:45 p.m. in Room 2-D, MSC.
- San Antonio Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in MSC Social Room.
- Fort Worth Club will meet at 7:45 p.m. in MSC Assembly Room.

CORPS FRESHMAN YEARBOOK PORTRAIT SCHEDULE

FRESHMEN in the Corps will have their portrait made for the "AGGIELAND" according to the following schedule. Portraits will be made at the AGGIELAND STUDIO, one block north of the intersection at North Gate, between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM on the days scheduled.

UNIFORM for portraits will be winter blouse. BLOUSES AND BRASS WILL BE FURNISHED AT THE STUDIO. EACH MAN SHOULD BRING HIS OWN SHIRT AND TIE.

October 4-5 - E3, F3, G3, & H3
5-6 - Squadrons 1-3
9-10 - Squadrons 4-5
10-11 - Squadrons 6-7
11-12 - Squadrons 8-10
12-13 - Squadrons 11-13
16-17 - Squadrons 14-16
17-18 Maroon & White Bands

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by Jim Earle Safety Fellowships Awarded

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The ground hog is heavy-bodied, grizzled, white-nosed species of marmot living in open woodlands and meadows in North America.

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By Charles M. Schulz

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CAN'T YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING YOU'RE TOLD? WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU? LEAVE MY THINGS ALONE!!

I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU CAN'T REMEMBER THAT!

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE I'M GETTING OLDER...MY MIND DOESN'T RETAIN THINGS LIKE IT USED TO!

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