

Student Studies Superintendents

Eighty-one county superintendents in Texas perform 85 different services and activities, according to a survey made by Byron Barber, graduate student at A&M for the Texas Association of County Superintendents.

Dr. Paul Hensarling, head of the Department of Education and Psychology at A&M, directed the research.

The county superintendents perform the services for 466 independent and 233 common or rural high school districts. In their county schools they have 2,117 teachers, 64 nurses, 55 counselors, 36 supervisors, 36 librarians, 13 special education personnel, 52 sitting teachers and 50 other professional personnel of various types.

The 81 counties serve 44,508 students in common and rural high schools.

Twenty-eight county superintendents operate transportation systems for all schools in the county, while 26 serve part of the schools other than their own. All of them have some responsibility for transportation of school children. There are 1,341 buses in the 81 counties.

"Although 81 represents 50 percent of all counties having county superintendents," Barber said, "it is a good geographical sampling because responses came from all over Texas."

The study describes some of the most effective or successful services. In addition to the regular instruction program and the legal responsibilities of the county superintendents, the most frequently reported were guidance, counseling, testing, health, in-service education for teachers, teaching aids center, food, transportation, business management, career days, civil defense, adult education, and interpretation of the school programs to the public.

Publication of the data, Barber said in his report, is not to suggest that any given practice should be adopted in the county because it was successful in another county. Many of the services reported would need to be modified, if used at all, under any other set of circumstances.



A Kiss From Mom

George F. Fryette Jr., gets a kiss from his mother, Mrs. Nancy Fryette, and a hug from his father, George Fryette Sr., left, as young George arrives at International Airport in Los Angeles. The younger Fryette, an Amer-

ican soldier, was held prisoner by Communist Viet Cong guerillas for six months. He's in Southern California for a 30-day furlough with his family in Long Beach. (AP Wire-photo)

2 High Schoolers Studying Physics

Two high school juniors from widely-separated Texas towns — Odessa and Dayton — are completing a special six-weeks course in physics at A&M.

Mike Bellamy, who attends Permian Basin High School in Odessa, and Barry Faulkner, a Dayton High School student, have been studying physical sciences at A&M under a special National Science Foundation program for 31 high-achieving students on campus this summer.

For five hours a day, they study courses in physical sciences. The remainder of the day is spent learning about research on methods of producing oil under the direction of the Texas Petroleum Research Committee. Directing this phase of their activity is Dr. Paul B. Crawford, assistant director of the research committee. He is also a member of the A&M petroleum engineering graduate faculty and

is a consulting engineer. The NSF scholarship has provided Bellamy and Faulkner with tuition, books, and funds for board and room and laboratory fees.

Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bellamy, 1502 East 14th, Odessa. Bellamy is a maintenance superintendent for El Paso Natural Gas Product Co.'s Odessa refinery.

Barry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Faulkner, 304 S. Winfree, Dayton. Faulkner is a machinist for Lawrence Industries, Liberty.

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