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## House Passes Budget Without TMA

### Last - Minute Move Killed

By RONNIE BOOKMAN  
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AUSTIN—An amendment to put the Texas Maritime Academy back on the House appropriations committee's budget bill failed by a 71-64 vote Wednesday, just before the House passed the \$3.1 billion spending bill for 1964-65.

Rep. David Haines of College Station told The Battalion that the attitude toward the academy in the legislature seems to be improving, and although the amendment didn't carry, there were better chances now that the Senate or a conference committee would restore the \$222,000 appropriation.

The appropriations committee eliminated the academy's funds from the budget bill before the legislation was introduced.

NOTHING MORE can be done until the Senate passes its budget bill, then the two bills will be taken over by a conference committee composed of five senators and five representatives.

The House and Senate will then have to vote on the product of the committee, and Haines pointed out that the Maritime Academy's appropriation could be reinstated anywhere along the line.

In Wednesday's session, the House began its appropriations debate by refusing to grant Rep. Malcolm McGregor, El Paso, a week's postponement.

"This bill is bare bone," McGregor protested. "Our colleges and hospitals and special schools cannot live under the money contained in this bill."

"IF THIS bill passes, the comptroller can certify that adequate funds are available and no new taxes will be needed," said Rep. W. S. Heatly, Paducah, chairman of the Appropriations Committee that drafted the measure.

"If you think more money is needed, you get behind a tax bill to bring in new funds and we'll consider more appropriations," Heatly challenged.

HAINES PREDICTED that to secure more funds, which could herald reinstatement of the TMA, the House will broaden the sales tax to cut out exemptions in line with Gov. John Connally's recent proposals.

As approved by the committee, the appropriations bill calls for \$437.1 million from the state's general revenue fund in 1964-65. This compares to present spending of \$390.3 million from the fund.

### Name-Change Bill Now Waits Hearing

The bill to change A&M's name to "Texas A&M University" has been assigned to the House's state affairs committee and is awaiting a hearing, Rep. David Haines of College Station told The Battalion Wednesday night.

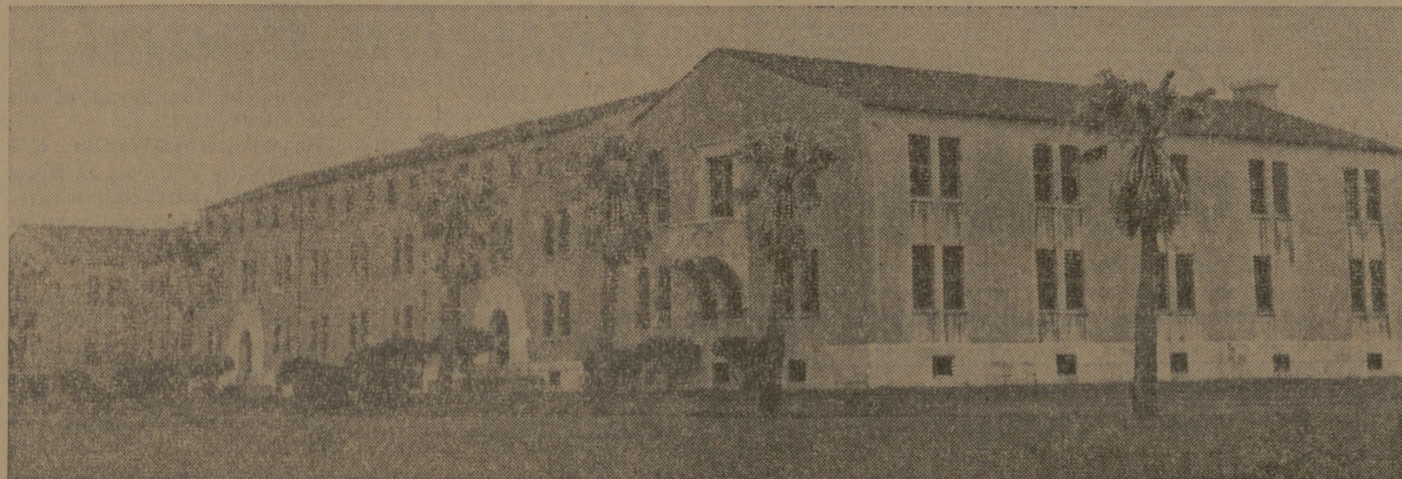
The bill, HB 755, should come to the committee's attention before the end of March, Haines said. He said that he anticipated no problems in the bill's passage, but that there were "lots of bills" ahead of the name-change legislation.

### CSC To Discuss Civilian Weekend, Elections Tonight

Two topics which will be discussed in Thursday night's Civilian Student Council meeting are civilian weekend activities and interest in civilian student government.

A committee appointed by the council has the responsibility to meet with potential civilian officeholders and inform them about election procedures in order to stimulate their interest in running for campus offices.

The civilian weekend committee will report its progress in organizing the March 30 civilian weekend dance, barbecue and sweetheart selection. The committee will soon place dance and barbecue tickets on sale for anyone not having a civilian student activity card.



THIS WAS TO BE MARITIME ACADEMY HEADQUARTERS IN GALVESTON... sea school may never occupy old Fort Crockett

### BACKERS WILL COME TO AID, STUDENTS BELIEVE

## TMA Cadets Confident Of Future

A&M's maritime cadets are confident that the Texas Maritime Academy will continue to exist even though the House passed the appropriations committee's bill eliminating the academy's funds.

Capt. Bennett M. Dodson, superintendent of the TMA, said Monday that he was going ahead with the plans. "We're

not going to change one iota." The TMA asked for \$222,000 for 1964-65.

Most of the TMA's 20 freshmen and three sophomores feel that with the backing the academy has from the federal government, the A&M System and the Texas shipping industry, the South's only maritime academy will not fold.

Jack Smith, sophomore from Galveston, said:

"They are going to have a hard fight, because they will have to fight the shipping industry in Texas. The shippers have already fought hard to obtain the academy for Texas, and they won't give up easy."

"It's a privilege to have a maritime academy in the state

in the first place, and it won't go down the drain just because they want to block \$222,000."

Jim Blande, freshman from Indianapolis, Ind., said:

"The general feeling here is that we're confident and that it's just a matter of time. Once they get through playing petty politics in Austin, things will come around."

"If the TMA folds up, the word's out that Capt. Dodson can get us into another academy if that's what we want."

"As for complaints that we have had a hard time getting students for the TMA, there are more than 157 applications on file in the registrar's office for next year. We have too many backers in Galveston, Houston and the entire Gulf Coast to let the academy go down the drain now."

Several of the maritime students pointed out that the federal government has promised to match \$75,000 per year of state funds. Additionally, the federal government has assigned a \$10 million ship to the academy.

Mike Resner, freshman from LaMarque, said:

"After the federal government has given us so much support, I don't see how Texas can back out. The academy is important to Houston and the Gulf Coast area."

"It is needed to see that the maritime industry in this area heads in the right direction. Every other major port area except the Gulf Coast has a maritime academy, and Houston is the second largest tonnage port in the U.S."

Louis Newman, Bryan freshman, said:

"I don't think this makes sense. Texas is the second leading state in shipping, and this is the only maritime academy in the South. I don't see how the state can afford to deny us funds, not only in the bad way it will make the state look, but because of the fact that Texas needs a maritime academy."

"The state needs the school as much as we need the state money to keep going. In view of the

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## Professor Lauds Chivalry, Humor Of Great Civil War

By CLOVIS McCALLISTER  
Battalion Staff Writer

Dr. T. Harry Williams spoke to approximately 225 students and faculty members on the humorous side of "The Last Gentleman's War" Wednesday night in the Biological Sciences Lecture Room.

Williams, Boyd Professor of History at Louisiana State University, said the American Civil War was a wonderful war and holds a vast resource of native humor. He added that the Civil War was the last of the traditional wars and the first of the modern wars.

The reason casualties were so high, according to the distinguished writer, was that tactics had not caught with the advancing technology. The professor said

control of troops wasn't at a maximum because the forces were controlled by the music of the combat band playing certain pieces of music to signify attack, retreat and other commands.

WILLIAMS SAID the most humorous aspect of the war was the fraternizing and chivalry that took place during periods of rest.

Fraternizing included an unusual amount of visiting back and forth or getting acquainted between the officers and enlisted men of the opposite armies. Williams said the reasons for the fraternizing were a common language, things they wanted to communicate about, some came from the same families but were on opposing sides and some of the officers had been close

friends before the war.

Chivalry included unusual courtesy and consideration between the armies. Williams pointed out a great act of chivalry on the part of the Rebels was the cheering they did for the Yankees during the Yankee retreat, not for ridicule but to praise the braveness of the Yankees.

WILLIAMS SAID during the Pennsylvania Campaign, Maj. Gen. George Pickett and his troops were marching through the town of Greencastle. A young girl came running out of a house and waved an American flag to the Rebels. Pickett took off his hat and the men in the columns immediately took off their hats and cheered the girl for her bravery.

At the siege of Petersburg in 1864, Gen. Pickett received word that he had become a father. The sentries lit fires along the line to celebrate the general's becoming a father. The Federals called over the line to see what was happening and when the Federal officers heard that their old friend had become a father, they lit fires along their lines and sent Gen. Pickett a letter of congratulations.

Williams said that it wasn't uncommon for the pickets to trade coffee, tobacco and other goods with the enemy.

## Rathbone To Open In Guion Thursday

A distinguished actor of stage and screen, Basil Rathbone, will give a dramatic presentation of the works of several of the world's greatest poets, novelists, and playwrights Thursday and Friday in Guion Hall, at 8 p.m.

Rathbone is also scheduled to meet with the English Society at 3 p.m. Friday in the Memorial Student Center.

RATHBONE, WHOSE program includes dramatic performances of the poems of Edgar Allan Poe, Robert Browning, Elizabeth Barrett Browning and others, feels that poetry should be dramatized rather than read silently.

According to the actor, "with poetry, the essential sense is the ear. In poetry sound is the vital element. It is not meant for read-

ing, but is designed for a spoken, dramatic presentation."

A man who loves literature and is able to share that love with his audience, Rathbone has won universal press acclaim for his current presentation.

HIS EVENING will begin with reminiscences of his career in the theater, and will include a poetry session and scenes from Shakespeare.

One of the foremost interpreters of Shakespeare on the current theatrical scene, Rathbone served as acting apprenticeship in repertory, playing a different role in a different Shakespeare piece every night of the week.

He feels that such training is the only real way an actor can get to know and understand the plays.

## Operation Readies 'Teddy' For Role As Wrestling Bear

By GLENN DROMGOOLE  
Battalion Staff Writer

Many small children have "Teddy" bears for bed partners. Side-show operators at carnivals give away "Teddy" bears for the dozen for prizes. But not too many people go around pulling teeth from their bears.

Wednesday at 10 a.m. Dr. E. W. Ellett, associate professor of Veter-

inary medicine and surgery, extracted both the canines (biting teeth) and claws from a "Teddy" bear.

HOWEVER THIS "Teddy" differs from most of his cousins. He is a live, 200-pound Canadian Black Bear, not quite an ideal bed partner or souvenir.

"Teddy" belongs to B. C. Davenport of Aransas Pass, who operates a small mobile zoo that is presently located in a shopping center in Bryan.

Davenport desires to convert "Teddy" into a wrestling bear. In order to create a bear vs. man act, Davenport knew he would have to have "Teddy" separated from his menacing claws and canines.

While in Bryan with his zoo, Davenport decided to enter his protegee in A&M's Veterinary Hospital. Dr. Ellett of the Small Animal Clinic was chosen to perform "Teddy's" operation.

THE UNUSUAL operation attracted a curious crowd, as the Canadian bruin required morphine, a tranquilizer and several barbiturates before he lost consciousness.

After the six-year old bear's natural weapons were removed, he was returned to Davenport and his "Jungle Wonders."

"Teddy" was reportedly doing fine Wednesday afternoon. When the bruin recovers from the shock of having no claws or teeth with which to fight, Davenport will probably begin his training program.

### Two Students Win Wilson Honors Here

Two students have been named recipients for Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation awards.

Harry B. Lincecum, senior English major from Thornton, is one of 1,175 students named as Woodrow Wilson Fellows.

Robert N. Mathis, senior history major from Bryan, is one of 1,154 students named to the honorable mention list.

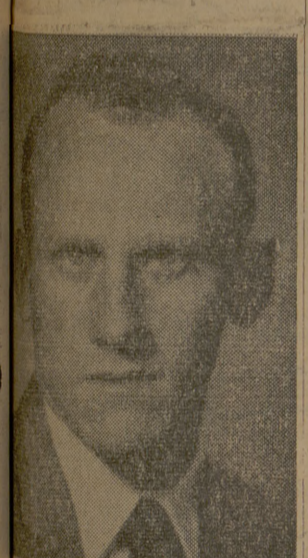
THE WOODROW Wilson Fellowship program is designed to prepare future college teachers.

The winners were chosen by committees of college professors and deans from among 9,767 candidates named by faculty members at colleges in the United States and Canada.

The awards are possible through grants from the Ford Foundation. LINCECUM AND other Woodrow Wilson Fellows for 1963-64 will receive a stipend of \$1,500 and residency allowances, plus tuition fees for the first year at the graduate school of the Fellow's choice.

Lincecum hopes to attend either Duke or the University of North Carolina for his graduate studies.

Lincecum has a 2.984 grade point average. He entered A&M as an engineering student, but changed to English.



JERRY B. LINCECUM



### Ah, Spring!

Although spring doesn't officially arrive until next week, it's perfectly clear that the season of love and flowers is on us. Note the beautiful tulips, with their full, firm shapes. Patsy Williams and Brenda McMickle are enjoying the scenery.