

## Staff To Address Church Meeting

Two A&M University faculty and staff members will be main speakers at the 1963 Town and Country Church Conference here Wednesday through Friday.

They are Dr. John E. Hutchison, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and Dr. John Rees Christiansen, visiting professor of sociology in the

Department of Agricultural Economics and Sociology.

Hutchison will speak at a Thursday luncheon honoring the Rural Minister of the Year. His topic will deal with the role of ministers in adult education activities.

Christiansen's subject is "The Town and Country Church Meeting Our Social Needs," which will be heard at 1:40 p.m. Thursday.

The conference, which starts at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, is sponsored by A&M's Agricultural Economics and Sociology Department in cooperation with denominational representatives from throughout Texas.

## Administrators Air Two-Year College Problems Here

School administrators aired problems facing Texas two-year colleges during the 12th annual Junior College Conference at A&M University Monday.

Subjects ranged from entrance exams and grades to data processing equipment and transfer of junior college credits to senior colleges.

Dr. Frank W. R. Hubert, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at A&M, said colleges need to improve their programs of communications with prospective students and public school personnel.

HUBERT recommended that Texas, during the next two-year period, adopt a "well-defined statewide testing program to be administered by the Texas Education Agency" to all college-bound high school seniors.

In a talk on "New Perspectives in School and College Relations," Hubert also recommended colleges provide secondary schools data on each student's performance "in the basic subject matter areas and curricula."

Detailed information on the total program of studies at the freshman level of each college should be provided high schools, he added.

PLANS FOR data processing programs in junior colleges were discussed by Claude Owen of Kilgore College and R. L. Smith Jr., of A&M. The speakers outlined costs of computing equipment and the type of machines needed.



### United Chest Awards

College Station United Chest drive director Dr. Chris H. Groneman presents gold certificates to James P. Hannigan, dean of students, and Clark Monroe, University personnel director. Each employee in their offices gave one day's pay to the Chest. The Veterinary Public Health Department was

awarded a silver certificate, signifying each member contributed to the campaign. Left to right, Groneman; Peter Groot, campaign treasurer; Dean Hannigan; Dr. L. H. Russell, Jr., public health department head; and Munroe.

### HISTORICAL MILESTONE ATTAINED

## History Prof To Be Honored At Texas Writers Roundup

Dr. Joseph M. Nance, professor of history and head of A&M University Department of History and Government will be among the outstanding Texas authors of the year to be honored at the fifteenth annual Writers Roundup sponsored by the Austin chapter of Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalism fraternity for women.

The Roundup, to be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the historic Driskill Hotel, is planned to bring together the state's top authors and to honor 14 of them for outstanding publication the last year.

This year's writers and their works are varied in talent and content, ranging from fiction to scholarship. The works were published on both sides of the Atlantic.

Nance's "After San Jacinto: The Texas Mexican Frontier, 1836-1841," has been chosen the outstanding book in Texas history

published this year.

The master of ceremonies for the Roundup will be Dr. Levi Olan of Dallas, rabbi of Temple Emanu-El and a University of Texas regent.

IT WAS IN the summer of 1941, after he completed the doctorate at the University of Texas that Nance started the basic research for a history of the Texan Mier Expedition of 1842. Nance studied under the late Eugene C. Barker, famed Texas historian.

Having just completed a detailed study of the "New England Attitude toward Westward Expansion, 1800-1850," as a doctoral dissertation, Nance was eager to explore the area of Anglo-American border relations with Mexico. He was perplexed by the lack of scholarly research on certain areas of the history of the Republic of Texas, particularly in regard to the frontier with Mexico.

Nance soon realized, as he assembled the original source material from widely-scattered cities, the necessity of a careful study of the lower Rio Grande frontier as a background to an understanding of the disastrous Mier Expedition.

"AFTER SAN JACINTO" is the first of three books which will tell the whole story. The second,

to be published by the University of Texas Press in 1964, will complete the story through 1842. The third volume, now about complete, will be the history of the Mier Expedition and carry the story of the frontier down to the annexation of Texas to the United States.

The first volume tells the full story of Texas-Mexican relations from the Battle of San Jacinto to the capture in March 1842 by a Mexican army.

Nance joined the A&M faculty in the Fall of 1941 but World War II soon interrupted research on the Texas project.

He served as a communications officer on the staff of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz at Pearl Harbor. While in Hawaii, he became interested in the life and career of one of the early American missionaries who was a leader in the native government of the islands.

THE A&M professor plans, when the trilogy on Texas-Mexican relations is completed, to do a biography of the colorful career of the missionary of the Congregational Church.

"I always felt that a project once begun should be completed before taking up another," Nance said in discussing his resumption of research in Texas history following his release from the Navy.

### Pakistani To Host Evening

The A&M Chapter of the Pakistan Student's Association of America will hold a Cultural Evening at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

Items to be exhibited at the meeting will include various daily articles of home or cottage industries, scenes of interest and historical pictures.

Shadow play will be used to illustrate the Pakistani emergence from British colonialism.

Also planned for the program are Pakistani dances to be performed by two trained American girls and Pakistani women.

Alauddin Ahmad, president of the A&M Chapter will open the meeting with a brief talk on the aims of the association.



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## Co-Ed Dorms At Texas Tech

West Hall on the Texas Tech campus may become that college's first co-ed dorm, because of a lack of rooms for male students.

Tech officials have been forced to consider a plan under which the men and women would use separate entrances and the space would be split between the sexes. Only the cafeteria in the currently two-thirds filled dorm would be shared.

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