

ROTC Bill Gives Advanced Cadets Pay Raise

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Special Writer

Seniors and juniors enrolled in the advanced Army ROTC program at A&M have started signing new contracts which will raise their monthly subsistence pay, now called retainer pay, from \$27 to \$40.

The monthly pay raise is only one provision of the ROTC Vitalization Act of 1964 passed by Congress and signed by President Johnson on Oct. 13. Seniors and juniors in the Air Force ROTC had not started signing contracts as of Tuesday afternoon, said Col. Raymond C. Lee Jr., professor of aerospace studies.

The Army ROTC here has started to process new contracts for its 419 advanced program students, said Lt. Col. T. A. Hotchkiss, executive officer and adjutant of the Department of Military Science.

"All advanced cadets who desire the contracts must sign before Dec. 13," said Hotchkiss. He emphasized that no cadet is required to sign a contract under the new terms. Hotchkiss also pointed out that those signing contracts will get back pay from Oct. 13.

"The new law also raises the pay for summer camp from \$78 to \$115 per month," said James P. Hannigan, dean of students. "It increases the summer camp mileage allowance from five cents to six cents a mile," Hannigan said.

Hannigan also pointed out that the act provides for a \$300 uniform allowance for all ROTC graduates whether they receive a regular or reserve commission.

"Under the old law only those commissioned in the reserve received the \$300 uniform allowance," he explained.

"There are three programs under the ROTC Vitalization Act of 1964 and A&M will probably get all three," Hannigan said. The first is a four-year program much like the present ROTC setup at A&M where the cadets sign up for the advanced program their junior year.

"There is the two-year program which would be offered to junior college transfers during the junior and senior years," Hannigan added. "The cadets in this advanced program would receive a six to eight week training period at a summer camp

prior to entering A&M. This camp would take the place of the training the transfer student missed the first two years," Hannigan explained.

Hannigan said that the third program would involve the scholarship provision of the act.

"The act allows the Army and the Air Force each 4,000 scholarships nation-wide," he said. "The provision also allows \$50 per month for a 10-month academic year, payment of tuition, books, lab fees, and other such fees."

He went on to say that cadets in the advanced program as well as freshmen and sophomores would be eligible for the scholarships. In four years both the Army and the Air Force will be allowed to raise the number of scholarships to 5,500, the number the act initially gives the Navy, Hannigan said.

The Air Force and the Army will not utilize the total number of scholarships granted them the first year, Lee said. He explained that the first year the program was a trial run and the number would be increased each year until the allotted 5,500 was reached.

"We don't know how many scholarships will be allotted A&M, but we will try to get the maximum possible number of them," Hannigan commented.

Besides the raise in retainer pay, the ROTC Vitalization Act of 1964 also makes each cadet in the advanced program a member of the reserve forces for six years. Lee said, "Even though the law provides for six years in the reserve forces, those who complete the program will be discharged from the reserve upon being commissioned in either the reserve or regular forces."

Lee said, "It appears that the intent of the six-year reserve agreement would apply particularly to four-year-full-paid scholarship students who might decide to avoid any obligation to serve as a commissioned officer upon graduation. In such a case, the student could be placed on active duty as an airman for up to two years, with four subsequent years in the inactive reserve, and up to four years as a private in the Army."

"I don't foresee any great change in our status for the current year; however, next fall we will possibly have a few wrinkles," Hannigan said, commenting on the effects of the new ROTC program.

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POLITICAL CLUBS

North Texas, Houston Have Campus Clubs

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fifth of a series concerning political clubs on state-supported university and college campuses.

North Texas State University and the University of Houston are two state schools which officially recognize political clubs.

Political clubs at North Texas were first recognized in 1936.

The clubs meet on campus without rental charge, twice a month. Both clubs are listed as service clubs and are not allowed to campaign for a candidate until after the primary.

The Department of Government sponsors the organizations. The department limits the club activities to:

1. Regularly scheduled club meetings on the campus according to a schedule approved in advance by sponsors.
2. Executive committee meetings on campus, when necessary, but with advance notice to sponsors or according to a schedule so approved.
3. Political activities in conjunction with official units of the Senior Party Organization. Sponsors are to be informed of club projects.
4. Club sponsorship or participation in other activities must be approved in advance by the sponsoring committee of the Department of Government. Approval will never be given to activities which are not clearly related to and limited to affairs of the respective major parties.

Activities of officers of the respective clubs, as representatives or spokesmen for the club, shall conform to this standard.

All publications, displays or posters of the clubs, shall be subject to the same limitations. Club publications shall never deal with matters other than affairs of the respective major parties and the club.

5. Speakers from off-campus must be approved in advance by club sponsors. Invitations may not be extended to candidates at times when they are active in political campaigns.

Five clubs are recognized at the University of Houston. The clubs first received recognition on March 30, 1960. Meetings vary from weekly to monthly with the groups.

Activities Counselor Susan Guma said last May that the clubs meet in university classrooms without charge. She also said there are no particular rules governing the clubs except those which govern any student organization.

Restrictions are not placed on the speaker at the University of Houston and a political candidate is free to address the club.

Mrs. Guma said, "Until a serious request was made March 30, 1960, there was an assumption that there would not be political clubs. Upon such a specific request being received, it was granted."

She said that students are allowed to campaign for candidates in the name of the club.

TTI Given \$75,000 Pact For Research

The second portion of a \$75,000 contract for formal research on the "Value of Time" has been awarded to the Texas Transportation Institute.

Dr. W. G. Adkins, research economist for TTI, will be principal investigator for the research. He will be assisted by Allen W. Ward, assistant research economist, C. V. Wootan, associate research economist, and E. P. Boaze and J. P. Buchanan, graduate research assistants.

Ultimate purpose of the project, Adkins said, is the preparation of a set of guidelines to aid state highway departments in placing a dollar value on time savings that accrue to commercial carriers due to highway improvements. Provisionally usable data also are to be developed.

"We are attempting to identify first round time-savings determining what truckers or trucking firms. Principally, this involves determining what resources are saved when time requirements for a given amount of service are reduced," Adkins commented.

Funds for the research are being furnished by the National Cooperative Highway Research Program, administered by the Highway Research Board, a part of the National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council. The work is supported by all state highway departments in the nation through the cooperative program.

First year of the program was devoted to a review of previous research and the development of methodology.

Work on the second year of the contract will continue through September, 1965.

"Time savings may be the most important benefits of highway improvement. Knowledge of the value of these benefits is critical in the economic evaluation of alternative highway locations and designs," Adkins continued.

According to Wootan, the research project is the only one of its kind in the nation. "We are happy that A&M was given the chance to conduct this unique research."



And Concerning That Election Issue

Newspapermen Gayle McNutt, left, and Jim Hyatt, right, told of the backstage functions of political machinery of both President Lyndon Johnson and Senator Barry Goldwater Tuesday night at a public meeting sponsored by Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society. McNutt is employed in the Austin Bureau of The Houston Post. Hyatt reports political affairs for The Houston Chronicle.

Singing Cadets To Escort Beauties

By HAROLD SCHADE
Special Writer

Who ever thought they'd hear the Singing Cadets sing "The Eyes of Texas"?

Quite a few people will hear that Friday when the Cadets perform for the "Miss Teenage America Pageant" at the Dallas Auditorium Memorial Theater.

Returning for the third time, they will be seen on nation-wide CBS television from 9 to 10:30 p.m. They will serve both as entertainment and escorts for the 52 "Misses". "The Eyes of Texas" will be sung for Gov. John Con-

nally when he makes his appearance at the show.

Four years ago the Singing Cadets made a trip to Dallas, and sang for the Easter Morning and Evening services at Six Flags Over Texas. Charles Meeker, talent coordinator for Six Flags saw and heard them, and as Robert (Bob) Boone, director, said, "I liked what they were doing." Meeker contacted the people in charge of the pageant, and brought the group to their attention.

As a result, the Cadets have an invitation to perform at all the pageants as long as they are in Dallas. They received the title as the Official Miss Teenage Glee Club.

Their first appearance came in the 1962 pageant, was only two minutes long, and they sang from the orchestra pit. The following

year they were moved to the stage and were given the job as escorts.

This year they will perform on stage for two minutes at the beginning of the show and for 90 seconds toward the end, as well as escorting the girls.

The 58 Cadets, Boone, and their accompanist Mrs. June Biering, will leave on their all-expense paid trip at 3 p.m. Wednesday. That night they will go to the Sheraton Hotel to serenade a pajama party that will be given for the participants. Thursday and Friday the Cadets will rehearse in the Auditorium.

At 9 p.m. Friday the Singing Cadets begin the show singing the Miss Teenage America theme song. The Cadets will sing eight songs, during the pageant, most of which will be special arrangements by Robert Childe, arranged for the Carnation Music Hour.

After the show the Cadets will attend the Coronation Ball.

Combined Band Wins Passby

The Combined Band took honors in the Dallas Corps Trip pass by with 74 points of a possible 100. In second place was Squad 12 with 72. Other outfits placing in the top five were Company F-1, Company G-3 and Squad 7, respectively.

The cadets were graded on step and arm swing, interval and distance, appearance and maneuver of saber and guidon, eyes right and ready front.

After five passbys the Band has the best average, Squad 8 and Squad 9 are tied for second place, Squad 7 is fourth and Company G-3 is fifth.

Reviewing the Corps of Cadets Saturday was Maj. Gen. Harley B. West, commanding general of the National Guard's 49th Armored Division.

Teen Queens Race Turtles

By The Associated Press

DALLAS — "Please, girls, don't step on the prize winner!" shouted the master of ceremonies as a turtle named Knight scrambled across the finish line Tuesday to win the first Teen-age America Turtle Derby in 17 seconds flat.

The winner's keeper, Linda Joyce Putman of Tampa, Fla., jumped and squealed with delight. During the race she had beaten the floor, screamed encouragement and followed her entry's progress on her knees.

The half-hour race was a break in the tight schedule of the Miss Teen-age America Pageant.

First runner-up was Janice Irene Bosma of Indianapolis, Ind., who named her turtle Checkers.

Search For Statewide Talent

A search for high school students with engineering aptitudes will be held throughout Texas Jan. 15-16 under sponsorship of the Junior Engineering Technical Society.

J. G. McGuire, assistant dean of engineering at A&M and state coordinator for the JETS, said the search is being conducted on a nationwide scale. He added that the state search is being made in cooperation with the Texas Society of Professional Engineers.

McGuire said a two-hour battery

Bonfire Safety Flicks Scheduled

Demonstration films on bonfire safety procedures will be shown to all freshmen and sophomore students at 7:15 p.m. Thursday at Guion Hall.

The lecture and films will explain log carrying procedures, truck loading and unloading techniques and general safety

regulations to be used while working on the traditional Thanksgiving bonfire.

Head Yell Leader Frank Cox said the meeting is compulsory for cadet underclassmen, and stressed that Civilians who haven't worked on previous bonfires should attend the meeting.

The World at a Glance

By The Associated Press

International
CAIRO—Street crowds made attacks on the American, British and Egyptian embassies in Khartoum Tuesday during new demonstrations in the Sudanese capital, Cairo Radio reported.

HONG KONG—Five prominent Red Chinese Communists have brought down the wrath of Mao Tse-tung by arguing for some sort of reconciliation with the Soviet Union, Chinese periodicals reaching Hong Kong report.

TOKYO—Two big moderate Japanese labor unions were disbanded Tuesday to make way for a new labor organization.

MOSCOW—The man considered by some to be the key Communist in Laos, Information Minister Phoumi Vongvichit, met Tuesday in Moscow with Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

National
WASHINGTON—A State Department spokesman said Tuesday the United States has no intention of replying to Chinese Communist Premier Chou en-Lai's proposal for a world summit conference on nuclear disarmament.

NEW YORK—Police Lt. Thomas R. Gilligan, placed on sick leave after his fatal shooting of a

Negro boy last July touched off riots, has been restored to active duty, the Police Department reported Tuesday.

WASHINGTON—The United States has suspended a large portion of its aid to Bolivia until the internal situation there clears up, the State Department announced Tuesday.

WASHINGTON—West Germany is reported ready to purchase three American destroyers during a new round of defense talks that Kai-Uwe von Hassel, the West German defense ministers, opens Wednesday.

WASHINGTON—The Housing and Home Finance Agency called a temporary halt Tuesday to the approval of any more financing for urban renewal projects now under way in California.

Texas
AUSTIN—Leaders of a University of Texas group called "Students for a Democratic Society" protested a campus minstrel show Tuesday, calling it a "program of racial slur."

HOUSTON—Newsmen from around the nation began arriving Tuesday for the four-day 19th annual conference of the Radio and Television News Directors Association (RTNDA).