

BACHELOR OFFICERS QUARTERS
... designed by mid-semester graduates for Armed Services.

Architectural Project Considered To House Armed Forces Officers

A unique architectural project for two mid-semester graduates is being considered by the United States Armed Forces for future design of bachelor officers' quarters.

Major Forrest Mims of Houston and Capt. Ronald Rabb of Greenville presented a prototype, photos and drawings of a new type of bachelor officers quarters to the Air Force Institute of Technology last week at Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio.

The project here was unique in that the students were given the opportunity to work on an actual project with permission and encouragement of the Air Force. They worked on a directed project with criteria furnished by the Air Force.

Major Mims and Captain Rabb enrolled at A&M 27 months ago for an accelerated program in architecture. Rabb also earned a degree in civil engineering. The officers have been working for 14 weeks on the BOQ prototype.

The result is a practical BOQ in that it complies with Air Force regulations for square footage, cost, etc. In the BOQ, a large living room is encircled by a number of living cubicles or individual rooms.

Each cubicle has a sleeping area, a private bath and small kitchenette.

The concept is designed to give each officer an option between semi-public space and greater privacy.

Pate called the plan "very plastic" since the basic idea can be compared with building blocks.

Mims and Rabb contend that the concept of the plan is a special interest to the services since it could be applied anywhere in a semi-temperate climatic zone.

"We are educating leaders here," he claimed. "Since these men are officers, they were already categorized as leaders when they came to us. That made our job easier. They certainly produced an exceptional amount of work," he said.

Although Major Mims is leaving, he will be well represented at A&M. His sons are following his example. Forrest Mims III is a junior government and history

major. And Keith Mims plans to enroll as a freshman for the year graduation from A&M Consolidated High School in College Station.

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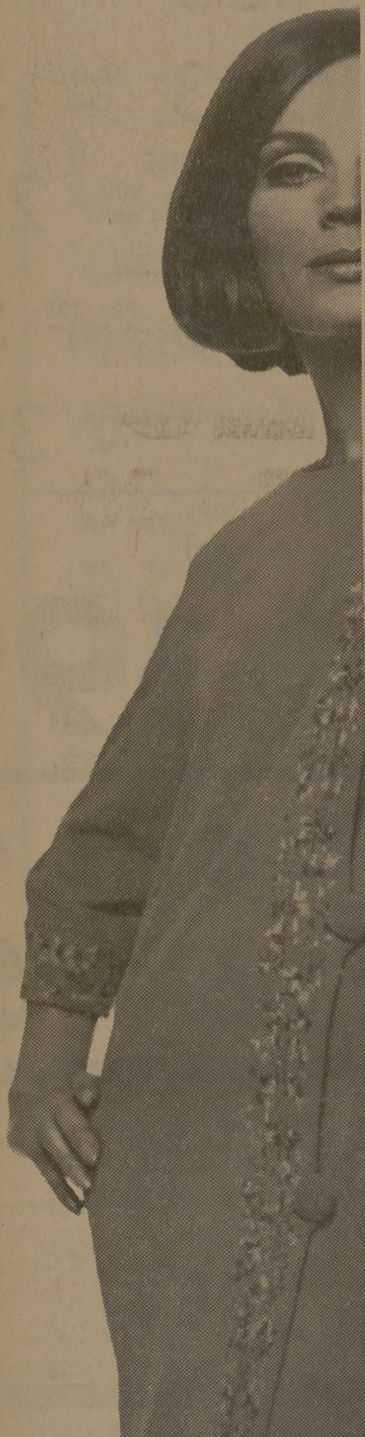
The Aggies also had the high

point individual overall, Malcolm Osbourn of Valley Spring, who scored 925 points out of a possible 1,000.

Other high point individuals on the team in the overall contest were James Newsom of Azle, third;

Billy Sanders of San Angelo, fourth; and Gordon Sauer of Doss, tied for 10th.

As a team, the Aggies were fourth in beef cattle judging, first in Quarter Horses, first in sheep, fifth in hogs.



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