

Consolidated Now Offering Computer Science Course

A few years ago junior and senior high school students were slaving to master the slide rule so they could solve math assignments at a quicker rate.

Now they are working just as hard learning Fortran language and the basic steps needed to feed their problems into giant computers which will solve the equations within seconds.

This spring, 15 junior and senior students at A&M Consolidated High School in College Station have enrolled for a course in basic computer science. This is the first time a course of this type has been

offered to high school students in this area although college and graduate students have been studying it for years.

George W. Burcham, mathematics and physics instructor at Consolidated, will teach the course. The 12 boys and three girls enrolled in computer science will spend five hours weekly until school recesses learning the Fortran language and programming their problems so they can be solved on the computer.

Burcham received his instruction in computer science at A&M. He said his students will have access to the university Data Processing Center for one hour per week in which they will use card punch equipment to write their programs. The other four hours each week will be spent working in classrooms.

Junior and seniors students attending the high school who have completed at least a half-year of advanced math were allowed to enroll in the computer course.

"The course is designed to provide an inductive approach to learning and to help students establish order and organization to their work," Burcham said.

Livestock Team Wins Second Spot In Meat Judging

The Junior Meats Judging Team won second place in the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth this week.

Eight teams representing major agricultural colleges and universities competed in the meats contest. Oklahoma State University took first and Kansas State University was third.

Aggie team members are Gordon Sauer of Doss, Lester Osbourn of Valley Springs, Dexter Sagebiel of Llano, Stanley Miller of Lexington and Findley Brewster of Temple. Team coach is Dr. Zerle Carpenter of the Animal Science Department. Sauer was second high point individual in the overall contest and was presented a Hereford association beef trophy special award. Fifth place high point honors went to Osbourn and 12th to Sagebiel.

Sauer and Osbourn were high point individuals in lamb judging and beef grading. The team was first in beef grading.

Research Grant Awarded To TTI

Radio Committee Cited By Council

The Amateur Radio Committee has received commendation from the Memorial Student Center Council for meritorious service.

The council cited the committee for its constant public service to the A&M student body, faculty members and the community, and for operating during emergencies, such as the Alaskan earthquake and the Wichita Falls tornado.

A resolution by the council went on to congratulate the committee for receiving the American Radio Relay League Communication Department's Public Service Award.

His father was a Missourian who rode to Texas horseback after the Civil War. His mother was a native of Lockhart. White himself was born on the Plum Creek Ranch near Lubbock Aug. 22, 1875.

Summer Program Receives \$2,500

A \$25,000 grant has been received by the Texas Transportation Institute to defray costs and provide scholarships for a six-week summer graduate program in Asphalt Paving Technology and Construction. The announcement was made by Bob M. Galloway, director of the study program.

Eighteen scholarships of \$1000 each will be awarded to college teachers from Canada and the South and Southwest United States selected for the program. Lecturers in addition to Galloway will include Fred J. Benson, dean of the College of Engineering; Dr. R. A. Jimenez and Dr. Ralph N. Trazler, Texas Transportation Institute staff members, and Charles R. Foster, executive director of the Bituminous Concrete Association.

Supplementary lectures will be provided by six specialists of international reputation who will each conduct a seminar during the six-week period.

The summer program will be held June 7-July 16.



COMPUTER EXPLAINED ... A&M Consolidated students receive briefing.

Noted Scholar To Speak At Renaissance Conference

Plans for the 14th annual South-Central Renaissance Conference to be held here March 26-27 with an internationally-known scholar as a speaker have been announced by Assistant Professor T. J. Mattern, conference director.

Featured as a banquet speaker will be the Rev. Walter J. Ong, S. J., an internationally-known scholar on medieval and Renaissance civilization as well as modern culture. Dr. Ong is professor of English at St. Louis University.

The South-Central Conference in earlier years has attracted several hundred humanities scholars of the Renaissance period. The region includes Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

Professors from various colleges and universities will present lectures during the two-day conference.

Dr. Ong will speak March 26

on "Commonplaces, Typography, and the Transformation of Renaissance Culture."

The Jesuit professor has studied in almost every European nation as well as several universities in the United States.

He has written numerous articles and books, the most recent being "The Barbarian Within." This is a collection on such diverse topics as medieval hymnody and educational television. The book has been widely acclaimed as readable and learned. Its central theme is the uniqueness of the human personality and man's need for interpersonal involvement.

One reviewer said that Dr. Ong was "for all his fantastic learning . . . tough-minded but likable, and decidedly optimistic." He is more hopeful about the technological revolution than many modern

Christian thinkers, the reviewer so said.

Dr. Ong will speak at a banquet in the Ramada Inn, where the delegates will meet for lectures all day Friday. The conference will continue Saturday morning in the Architecture Building Auditorium.

Working with Mattern in banquet arrangements are several other faculty members. They are Stanley Archer, registration; Louis Hauer, exhibits; C. K. Esten, entertainment; Dr. A. L. Bennett, catering; Dr. Peter A. Ford, facilities and tours; Terry Long, publicity, and Dr. Melvin Rotsch, maps and programs.

Favorite Ukrainian foods are borsch, fruit soups, hoholts (cabbage leaves stuffed with rice and buckwheat grits) and nalysnyky (cheese or fruit-filled dessert crepes).

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