

# Attend Maroon & White Game

## FFA Contest, Arts Fair Scheduled For Saturday

Nearly 2,000 visitors will congregate on campus for a variety of weekend activities including a state judging contest and the Texas Industrial Arts Student Fair.

Approximately 1,200 Texas Future Farmers will invade the campus Saturday for their annual State Judging Contest. Contestants from each of the 10 vocational agricultural areas of the state will compete for the chance to enter the national championships later this year.

First place teams in Saturday's competitions will represent the state at the national meet.

Seven hundred high school students are also expected here Friday and Saturday to display items at the Industrial Arts Fair.

More than 800 projects will be on display from 1-3 p.m. in DeWare Field House. There will be entries in 19 divisions ranging from architecture to wrought metal.

The Singing Cadets will present a concert at 8 p.m. Friday in Guion Hall. The concert is open to the public.

The Department of Journalism stages its Journalism Day activities Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. with a baseball game be-

tween members of Sigma Delta Chi and Alpha Delta Sigma, the campus professional journalistic societies.

Initiation of pledges into Sigma Delta Chi will be held at 5 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center. William Payette, southwestern regional manager for United Press International and regional president of SDX, will officiate at the ceremonies.

The Journalism Awards Banquet will follow at 6 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom. Several scholarships for outstanding achievement will be awarded to students at the banquet.

# Welcome State FFA Judging Finalists



Welcome to the 1,200 Future Farmers and their advisors who will be participating in the annual State FFA Judging Contest on the Texas A&M campus Saturday. As your Land Grant Institution, Texas A&M takes pleasure in hosting this important event. We wish you continued success in your many worthwhile endeavors, and hope that you will visit our campus whenever you have an opportunity. We also look forward to seeing many of you here as students next year. Sincerely, EARL RUDDER

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## Texas Senators Honor Stark For MSC Work

By GLENN DROMGOOLE  
Battalion Editor  
J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center, for 15 years, received special recognition from the Texas Senate Thursday.

Senate Resolution No. 439 praising Stark for his direction of MSC activities was read at the annual awards banquet of the MSC Council and Directorate Thursday night.

Council president Terry Oddson presented Stark with the Senate document to highlight the final session of the 15th MSC Council and Directorate.

The resolution recognized Stark's contribution to Texas A&M, including:

1. Directing such programs as the Student Conference on National Affairs, Leadership Conference, Space Fiesta, the Intercollegiate Talent Show.

2. Counseling, advising and guiding many Aggies to continue in a role of public service after graduation.

3. Serving as president of the National Association of College Unions.

A page in Thursday's Senate Journal was devoted to the expression of Senate admiration.

Thirty-seven students and faculty and staff members were honored by the Council and Di-

rectorate for their service in MSC activities.

The MSC's highest award for distinguished service was presented to Dr. J. P. Abbot, advisor of Great Issues Committee; Lee S. Bollinger, arrangements for SCONA; Eddie L. Bullock, Space Fiesta; James R. Conner, Talent Committee chairman; William J. Haraway, Town Hall and Talent committees; Clark G. Munroe, council members; James P. O'Connell, advisor for Flying Kadets Committee; Terrence A. Oddson, council president; John T. Rose, finance for SCONA; Dr. Robert L. Skrabanek, council, and C. M. Sykes, advisor for Camera Committee.

Receiving appreciation awards were Andrew M. Anderson, Craig G. Buck, Albert Clay, James D. Fox, Dr. and Mrs. Howard L. Furr, David E. Graham, Dr. K. J. Koenig, Colin E. Lamb, Michael D. Laughlin, M. Wesley Leftwich, Larry A. Maddox, Leopoldo Montalvo, James F. Nash Jr., Henry H. Norman, Gustavo R. Pena Jr., Richard A. Rasmussen, John Hunter Rodgers, Robert A. Rowland, James M. Sedberry, E. C. Smith, Dr. A. Ray Stephens, Gary L. Tisdale, Dr. John J. Treacy, Thomas N. Ty-

ree, David W. Willis and Dr. M. A. Zeitoun.

Council president Oddson delivered his State of the Union message summarizing events of the 1964-65 council and then relinquished the gavel to John Rodgers, president of the 1965-66 council.

### YMCA Officers To Be Installed

The YMCA will have the Officer Installation Steak Fry Monday beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Hensel Park.

The new president is Eddie Carpenter. Louis Obydke is vice-president.



### SENATE RECOGNITION

J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center, receives a resolution from the Texas Senate at the awards banquet of the 15th MSC Council and Directorate Thursday night.

New council president John Rodgers presents the award and outgoing president Terry Oddson looks on.

## Cushing Staff Concerned Over Present Facilities

Editor's Note: This is the last of a three-part series concerning the expansion of Cushing Memorial Library and its service.

By GERALD GARCIA  
Managing Editor

The staff of Cushing Memorial Library's main concern during 1964-65 was not just the proposed \$3.6 million expansion, but also methods of improving present facilities to accommodate the increased use of Cushing, said Library Director Robert A. Houze.

"Circulation increased 25 per cent in 1963-64 over the year before and use of the library is now 75 per cent greater than it was

five years ago," Houze said.

"Because of this increased use we knew some improvements had to be made to keep up with the anticipated increase, so we started work on the the expansion."

"But we also knew that present facilities had to be improved to help the students during this year so we made some changes," Houze added.

Some of the changes were:

1. Bookstacks in Cushing were opened to all users, and re-lighted with fluorescent lighting.

2. Central charging desk and card catalog cabinets moved from the second floor to the first level, consolidating scattered circula-

tion activities at one convenient point.

3. Program launched to apply data processing techniques to library operations. Work began with a feasibility study of serials acquisition and circulation control.

4. Many innovations and improvements were accomplished in technical services, and a rapport was established between that division and the faculty.

5. Liberal Arts 311, Use of Library Resources, was offered in the spring and fall semester for the first time because of the heavy demand by both undergraduates and graduate students.

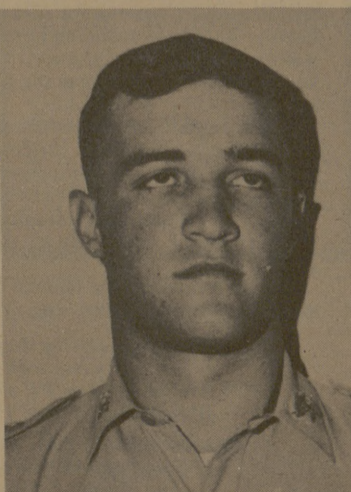
### Candid Comments On Current Crises

## Opinion Varies Over Voluntary Corps Effect On Enrollment

Question: Do you think the board decision for voluntary Corps will have any effect on enrollment?



**CHARLES B. WATTS**  
Freshman, Jefferson  
No, I do not feel that it will have a major effect on the enrollment—at least not immediately. A&M, to me, has always been the Corps. With the Corps becoming non-compulsory, possibly enrollment will decrease because of the many traditions which will be destroyed. I personally feel that the school's reputation will be down-graded somewhat.



**TERRELL S. MULLINS**  
Sophomore, Garwood  
Yes, I think that the enrollment of the school will increase, but not to a great extent. I feel that this decision will not make any drastic change in the amount of people in the Corps. Many students simply do not want to be associated with the Corps and a military program and shun A&M because of this. Non-compulsory Corps will not effect the decision of students outside the Bryan-College Station area, however.



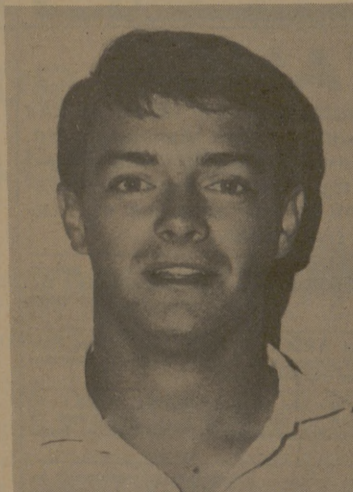
**THOMAS M. FINE**  
Senior, Brownwood  
If there is any change at all, it will probably be an increase. Today's emphasis is certainly not on the "hill-charging" Corps, and high school students are definitely more interested in an education than a commission. As A&M's facilities and educational opportunities are being constantly improved, it shouldn't be long before the university emerges as, not just an average, but a top-rated center of education.



**DANNY M. GORDON**  
Junior, Corsicana  
I don't feel the decision for a voluntary Corps will effect the enrollment in the near future. I have this feeling because I don't believe the incoming freshman has any idea of the true situation at Texas A&M. The desire to become an Aggie has been out into the high school student because of the Corps of Cadets, not despite it.



**ALVIN L. PRICE**  
Junior, Nederland  
I think there will a small increase in the enrollment this fall as a direct result of the board's decision, with each succeeding year increasing. I believe there will be a recisive shift in the ratio of Corps to civilians as many Corps members resign and many new freshmen choose the civilian life. I think the board is right in making this decision, and I hope it is beneficial to A&M.



**JACK TAYLOR**  
Sophomore, Freeport  
I believe the decision will have an effect on the enrollment of A&M. Most students who come here know they have to be in the Corps their first two years. If they don't want to be in the Corps they go to another school and then transfer in. Now students who don't like the Corps will be able to come. A&M has a fine school and with voluntary Corps the academic standards will be raised.



**ALVARO GUEVARA**  
Senior, Chihuahua, Mexico  
The board decision will surely have an effect on enrollment. I think the new student enrollment will increase to a great extent because the student will have a complete freedom of choice between the Corps of Cadets or the civilian life. I believe this is a very successful step toward academic excellence.