

Scholarships, Campus Jobs, Loans Help Aggies Through School

About 1 Of 8 Ags Receive Some Aid; 1,600 Work Here

Despite rising cost of higher education, "poor boys" can still make the grade at Texas A&M. Scholarships and part-time employment are available to help pay the way. The ratio of scholarships is about 1 of 8, and the ratio of part-time employment is even higher.

Last year A&M gave 891 awards totaling \$963,560 in form of scholarships, fellowships and grants in aid. Scholarships range from \$50 to \$4,800 per year.

Robert M. Logan, assistant director of placement and student aid, noted that students work in a variety of jobs, such as library clerk, laboratory assistant, farm helper, cafeteria waiter and building and grounds maintenance assistant. They earn \$35 to \$40 a month.

Opportunity award scholarships, based on financial need as well as academic achievement, give students preference in campus job opportunities.

Logan estimated \$2 million annually is spent each year toward scholarships and part-time employment at A&M. He estimated 1,800 students worked part-time on campus last year. About 300 worked off campus.

In addition, students are also eligible for loans at up to six percent interest. A&M made \$375,324 in loans to 5,363 students last year.

Employment is also available both on and off campus for student wives. Personnel Director Clark Munroe said at least 1,000 student wives work on campus. Salaries average approximately \$235 per month, he estimated.

Munroe said a higher percentage of student wives work at A&M than at any other university in Texas.

He estimated that approximately 200 student wives work in Bryan-College Station.

"An Aggie wife could best prepare herself for employment here by becoming a highly proficient typist with well-developed secretarial skills," Munroe said.

Local Boy Scouts Membership Drive To Open Tuesday

R. Elwyn (Chub) Byrns, executive of the Sam Houston Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, will address the Arrowmoon District Round-Up Kickoff Tuesday in College Station.

Approximately 150 adult scouters are expected to attend the kickoff picnic at 6:30 p.m. in Hensel Park, area two.

The fall membership campaign, which continues through December 31, stresses the theme, "Follow the Rugged Road" to scouting and adventure, said E. L. (Dutch) Harwell, Arrowmoon executive.

Boys 8 through 17 will be invited into existing Cub Packs, Boy Scout troops and Explorer posts. Plans also call for organization of new scout units to take care of the exploding youth population and recruitment of more adults as volunteer leaders and committeemen.

Byrns took over as head of the 18-county council July 1 after serving 13 years as deputy director of region nine, which includes Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

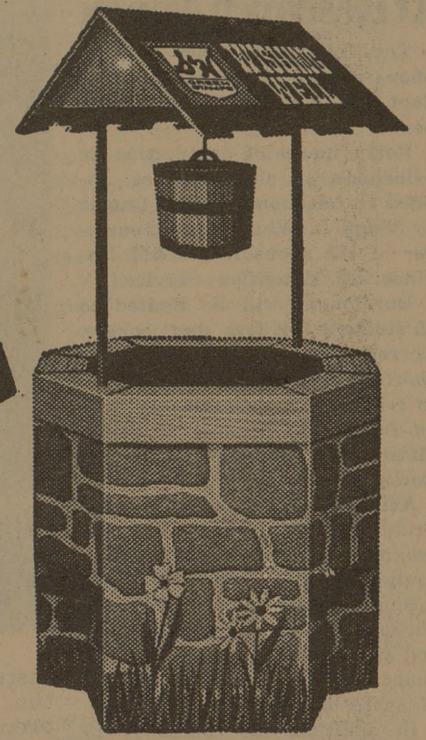
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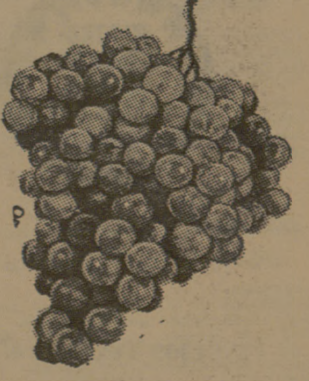
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