



AERIAL VIEW OF TEXAS A&M CAMPUS

Spreading over 5,200 acres, the A&M campus is currently undergoing major construction which will increase the value of the giant educational system. The campus is currently valued at about \$80,000,000 (See stories on construction projects on Page 6.)

May Violate Civil Rights Act

Limited Coeducation Legality Questioned

The legality of the present coeducation policy at Texas A&M is being studied by state attorney general Waggoner Carr, at a request made by the Board of Directors this summer.

H. C. Heldenfels, new board president, said that recent civil rights legislation could possibly force a change in the status of A&M's limited coeducation system.

Carr has been asked to determine if any federal laws prohibit the current policy of coeducation at the school.

So, for the second time this year, the question has become the concern of Austin officials. Earlier the state legislature attempted to limit expansion of A&M's limited coeducation plan. That debate resulted in a House resolution urging the A&M board to keep the school essentially all-male.

However, Carr said from Austin that all discussions with A&M officials have been on an informal basis.

He admitted that he has been asked to study the question but has received no formal request to deliver a ruling.

"We have not made a complete study and will not until we get a request for a formal opinion," Carr stressed.

He did say that study has been given the matter by his office.

Heldenfels said that the sub-

ject had arisen at the June 26 board meeting because some board members were concerned that the university might lose millions of dollars in federal grants if the present admission policy were ruled unlawful.

He added that he personally believed that the current policy is permissible.

"The status of coeducation now

at A&M is good and should be continued at the present time," he claimed.

"Of course we have no alternative but to follow the recommendation of the Attorney General," he continued, "and if he decides that our policy is wrong then we will certainly change it."

Wives and daughters of students and faculty and staff mem-

bers are the only undergraduate women permitted to enroll at A&M at the present time.

Heldenfels said that the concern of certain university officials hinges upon Title IV, Section 401(b) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964—the section dealing with desegregation of public education.

The section states that "desegregation means the assignment of students to public schools and within such schools without regard to their race, color, religion or national origin, but 'desegregation' shall not mean the assignment of students to public schools in order to overcome racial imbalance."

Heldenfels noted that no reference to sex is made in the section.

"I personally believe that the matter of sex was left off intentionally, but others feel that sex was intended to be included," he said.

If Carr rules that the current policy is contrary to federal laws the university would be virtually forced to permit complete coeducation or forfeit several million dollars in federal grants received annually.

Large federal grants at present include a \$3 million grant from the Atomic Energy Commission for construction of a cyclotron, and a \$1 million National Aeronautics and Space Administration grant for a space research center.

Complete coeducation would destroy the all-male tradition established when the school was opened in 1876 and maintained until the limited coeducation setup was adopted in 1963.

House Simple Resolution

WHEREAS, Texas A&M University is the largest and one of the finest military academies in the nation and is so recognized around the world; and

WHEREAS, men educated and trained at A&M have served on all battle fronts in three great wars since 1876 with bravery, devotion, and distinction and have made for themselves a great place in American history; and

WHEREAS, many hundreds of A&M men have made the supreme sacrifice in the defense of our way of life; and

WHEREAS, six Aggies were awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor during World War II; and WHEREAS, Texas A&M University supplied twenty nine general officers during World War II; and WHEREAS, the Corps of Cadets of Texas A&M University has furnished more commissioned officers for our Armed Forces than any other institution of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, the current world situation demands that Texas A&M University should continue to emphasize and indeed strengthen its military training program; and

WHEREAS, recent changes at Texas A&M University admitting female students on a limited basis and changing the military program from compulsory to voluntary has caused a deep division among Former Students, Student, Parents of Students, and interested Citizens of our great State; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of this division will prove harmful to Texas A&M University; and

WHEREAS, Texas A&M University is the only state supported institution of higher learning which has not had its enrollment policy designated by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the undergraduate male enrollment at Texas A&M University has been dropping since the admission of female students in September of 1963; and WHEREAS, the State of Texas is still maintaining a school for women only; and

WHEREAS, the conversion of Texas A&M University to a full co-educational institution will result in this State denying our young men the opportunity of pursuing a non co-educational education and will result in our State exporting some of these young men to all-male institutions in our sister states; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT co-education at Texas A&M University not be expanded beyond its present limitations; and be it further

RESOLVED that no on campus housing be provided for female students; and be it further

RESOLVED that no further steps be taken that will weaken the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M University; and be it further

RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to all members of the Board of Directors of Texas A&M University, to the President of Texas A&M University, to all officers of the Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University, to Presidents of each local A&M Club, to each Class Agent of Texas A&M University, and to all Officers and local Presidents of the Federation of A&M Mother's Clubs; and be it further

RESOLVED that by adopting this resolution, the Senate of the State of Texas, declares the policy of this State to be that Texas A&M University should remain essentially an all-male institution with continued emphasis on its fine military training program.

State Increases Funds For 1965-66 A&M Budget

Texas A&M University's operating budget for 1965-66 totals \$29,871,482, a record for the institution.

Educational funds were increased 35 per cent over a year ago. Auxiliary and service monies were raised 9 per cent. The budget does not include funding for the multi-million dollar building program financed through the available University Fund and other public and private sources.

A major portion of the budget increases will go into teaching staff pay raises, expanded research, library enrichment and scholarships.

President Earl Rudder called the fiscal plan "an important step in achieving excellence."

"Top quality education is expensive," the president pointed out, "but the dividend dollars will

be returned several-fold to the people of Texas."

He noted that general administrative expenses for the next school year had increased only 9 per cent. Faculty salary funds were boosted 38 per cent and scholarships raised 63 per cent.

"Our teaching salaries must be competitive to attract and retain the best brainpower," Rudder said. He continued that A&M's growing enrollment made it necessary to employ additional professors.

Rudder said the enlarged student aid program would "expand educational opportunities for young Texans."

Library funds will cover additional personnel and new holdings, in addition to operating costs, the president added. The A&M Directors have already approved plans for a \$3½ million addition to the physical structure.

Comparison of the selected items in the current year's allocations with the new budget follows:

| | 1964-65 | 1965-66 | Percentage Increase |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Teaching salaries: | \$6,065,030 | \$8,403,963 | 38.6 |

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| Library: | 371,622 | 652,582 | 75.6 |
| State Research: | 200,000 | 434,357 | 117.2 |
| Auxiliary & Service Departments: | 14,208,627 | 15,484,857 | 9.0 |
| Fellowships & Scholarships: | 123,077 | 200,000 | 62.5 |
| Cyclotron Operation: | | 186,002 | new |
| Administration: | 490,592 | 536,792 | 9.4 |

Vice President Posts Awarded To 3 Staffers

Three new vice presidents for Texas A&M were among personnel changes announced by A&M's Board of Directors this summer.

Appointments include Dr. Wayne C. Hall, Academic Vice President and Dean of the Graduate College; Tom D. Cherry, Vice President for Business Affairs; and Dr. Roy W. Dugger, Vice President and Director, James Connally Technical Institute.

Hall and Cherry were promoted from the university staff. Dugger comes to A&M from Washington, D. C., where he was U. S. Deputy Assistant Commissioner for Vocational and Technical Education.

A&M President Earl Rudder recommended the three for their posts. He told the directors of their keen interest in education and their outstanding abilities. "Great universities are made of great men like these three," Rudder noted. "They give vision and strength to our administration. Their talents are needed in our program of excellence."

Hall has served as Dean of Graduate Studies since 1960. He will retain those duties in addition to coordination of the overall academic program. Hall is a noted plant physiologist.

He is past president of the Southern Section of the American Society of Plant Physiologists and is currently serving as a consultant to the National Science Foundation.

Cherry, a native of Elmira, Tex., rejoined A&M's staff in 1962 as business affairs director after 19 years in industrial management.

Dugger will head the faculty of the Waco training facility to be opened in January on the site of Connally AFB. Dugger has authored three textbooks and a number of professional articles. He was recently cited for "superior service" by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

4 Aggies Die In Summer Tragedies

Four Aggies died this summer—one from an illness, two from traffic accidents and the fourth from a touch football injury.

Michael Raybourne, an architecture senior and active participant in campus government, died June 28 in Jacksonville, Fla., after a two weeks illness.

Richard Conrad Dorn, a 1965 A&M graduate and summer post-graduate student, died July 26 in Corpus Christi from injuries suffered in a July 19 automobile accident.

Jessie Forman, a 23-year-old architecture student, died July 21 shortly after he was injured in a touch football game near the college hospital.

John William Day Jr., a freshman at Junction, was killed Aug. 12 in a one-car accident near the A&M adjunct. Day, from Rotan, had never attended a class at the main campus.

Forman had been blocking a runner and was hit in the stomach when two other players collided with him. He was described by friends as being in excellent health.

Raybourne, a Jacksonville, Fla., native, died of uremic poisoning brought on by chronic nephritis. He had participated in the Student Senate, SCONA X and the Election Commission, was a Distinguished Student and was secretary-treasurer of his sophomore class.

Dorn was doing graduate work in marketing here and lived in Hensel Apartments.

Library To Tighten Rules Enforcement

Plans to enforce more strictly University Regulations concerning the library have been announced as part of preparations for the automated circulation system.

The new system is expected to be placed in operation about Oct. 1.

Considerable attention was paid this summer to enforcing regulations as part of the tightening of procedures, according to Dale McCoy, acting circulation librarian.

Cited especially were regulations concerning renewal privileges, presentation of student identification cards when checking out books and the use of reserve books. McCoy also noted University Regulations concerning the assessment of fines for overdue books.

Plans to introduce the automated circulation system as among the first in Southwestern libraries were announced earlier. While the new system will greatly simplify the charging or checking out of books, most of the difference will be "behind the scenes."

An advantage cited for the planned system is tightened control over library materials insofar as records are concerned.

McCoy said A&M library books are ordinarily charged out for two weeks. There is a privilege of one renewal unless there is a waiting list for the book.

"All books must be brought in to be renewed," he said.

Overdue books may not be re-

newed until the fine has been paid.

Great stress will be given to students presenting their identification cards whenever checking out library materials.

McCoy cited also the regulation reading:

"Reserve books are to be used for not more than two hours, and are not to be taken from the library except when charged out overnight at the Reserve Desk on the first floor. These books may be charged out one hour before closing, and they must be returned within one hour after opening the next day."

Librarians, under University Regulations, are called upon to collect a fine of ten cents a day for each overdue book regularly charged out. If the book has not been returned with 15 days, the patron will be charged the full price of the book.

The regulations also specify that at the discretion of the librarian a faculty member may take out for the term any publication needed for constant reference. Such materials, however, are subject to recall in case of demand.

Academic Building Loses Rotunda Bell

The bell has been removed from the rotunda of the Academic Building.

W. Howard Badgett, director of the Physical Plant Office, said the bell will be kept in a temporary storage location until an appropriate place is selected to display it.

The bell is an exact replica of the 2,080-pound Liberty Bell which hangs in Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

Badgett called the removal part of a long range plan to renovate the Academic Building.

Battalion Sweeps Honors In State Newspaper Contest

The Battalion took top honors in editorial writing and general appearance to sweep its division at the annual Texas Press Association newspaper contest this summer.

Texas A&M's daily captured two first place awards for outstanding editorials and page make-up, a second place award for newswriting, and a general excellence award for being the top TPA daily newspaper in Texas published in a city with a population of 15,000 or less.

Ronnie Fann, who edited the newspaper during the 1964-65 school year accepted the three bronze plaques and certificates of merit in behalf of his staff and the university.

"I am extremely proud of The Battalion's performance in this competition," Fann said. "This

is the first year we submitted entries and The Battalion won over some of the outstanding small daily newspapers in the state."

The Battalion, College Station's official newspaper, was the only college entry in the contest.

James L. Lindsey, director of University Information and Publications praised Fann and his student staff for their work during the school year.

"The Battalion has earned the recognition it deserves as an outstanding daily newspaper," Lindsey commented.

Bronze plaques were awarded the newspaper for: General appearance and make-up for editions appearing Oct. 20-22, 1964.

Editorials concerning service clubs, student yelling at football

games and statements made against the paper made by a yell leader, appearing Oct. 9, Nov. 18, and Dec. 4, 1964, and

General excellence in all categories.

A second place certificate of merit was presented for general news writing in editions appearing Sept. 25, Sept. 29 and Sept. 30, 1964.

Categories for the competition consisted of general appearance, column writing, editorial writing, news pictures and news writing.

Others winners in Division II beside The Battalion were the Waxahachie Daily Light, McKinney Courier-Gazette, Hillsboro Daily Mirror, Henderson Daily News, Freeport, Brazosport Facts, Kermit Daily Sun, Gonzales Daily Inquirer, Athens Daily Review and Nacogdoches Daily Sentinel.

Arts, Sciences College Split By Commission

The Texas Commission on Higher Education has given approval to Texas A&M to recognize the College of Arts and Sciences into separate colleges. The commission during the summer also approved requests from A&M to:

1. Reorganize the School of Business Administration so as to create five departments. No degree programs or courses are affected by the departmentalizing.

2. To offer a graduate program leading to the Master of Urban Planning degree. Students entering the program will have completed undergraduate studies in civil engineering or architecture.

Reorganization of the College of Arts and Sciences into separate colleges, each with a dean, is described by A&M officials as "in line with accepted structures in the better colleges and universities throughout the country."

In the College of Liberal Arts will be the School of Business Administration and seven departments in the humanities and social sciences.

The College of Science will include the biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics departments.

Texas A&M officials said the division "will strengthen offerings in both colleges and allow proper emphasis to be placed in each area."

The creation of departments in the School of Business Administration was described as promising to provide for better counseling of students and more effective and efficient professional leadership and instruction.

The departments established formally Sept. 1 are accounting, business analysis and research, finance, management and marketing. All except the Department of Business Analysis and Research will be degree-granting departments.

The master's degree program in urban planning will be offered to help meet the need for persons trained in this separate professional field.