

Liberal Arts College Finds Deserved Status

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When Texas A&M was founded in 1876 there was no College of Liberal Arts. Moreover, there was to be none for the next 89 years.

For most of those 89 years liberal arts has had to take a back seat at this Agricultural and Mechanical University. But

with expansion and developments in recent years this is no longer the case. Now in 1965 the arts have broken out of the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Liberal Arts has been established.

What does such an act mean? Dr. Frank W. R. Hubert, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, comments, "It says to me that we

recognize that the knowledge of liberal arts is important. It is a focus on man, not on things. Liberal arts is concerned with man and his ideas and his ability to get along with his fellow man."

This move is indicative of the growing concern of colleges all over the country toward a broadened knowledge of liberal arts as well as the specialized technological training which has developed since World War II.

According to Hubert, the scientific and technological developments of the past have put such a tremendous pressure upon colleges that they are having to re-examine their curricula and adjust to the demands.

In 1876, the A&M College of Texas offered four "general" courses of study. These were agriculture, mechanics and engineering, languages and military tactics.

In 1900 the general courses were agriculture, mechanical engineering, civil engineering and general sciences. By 1903 these were changed to chemistry and mineralogy, drawing, English, history, languages, military science, and physics and electrical engineering.

The School of Arts and Sciences was not created until 1924, at which time it joined the Schools of Engineering, Agriculture, Veterinary Medicine and Vocational Teaching.

At that time the School of Arts and Sciences consisted of the Departments of Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics, Physics, Economics, English, Modern Languages, History, Physical Education and Military Science.

Several major changes were made in the departmental organization since 1924. Among these were the addition of the Departments of Education and Journalism, and in 1963 the name was changed to College of Arts and Sciences.

Today the College of Arts and Sciences has been divided in the College of Science and the College of Liberal Arts which now includes the School of Business Administration.

New York's Old Pennsylvania station was modeled after a single room in ancient Rome's Baths of Caracalla.

Graduate College Enrollment Rises

Texas A&M's graduate students for the fall semester show a 31 per cent increase over the same term last year.

Graduate Dean Wayne C. Hall reported 1,884 graduate students this fall, an increase of 451 over the 1964 fall total of 1,433.

The College of Agriculture has the largest enrollment, 516, but the Institute of Statistics made the biggest gain percentage wise, from 22 to 51 students, a 131 per cent gain.

Other enrollment figures show the College of Engineering having 483 students, College of Liberal Arts, 330, College of Science, 320, College of Geosciences, 136, and College of Veterinary Medicine, 48.

Hall attributed the increase to the national general surge in enrollments, better facilities and stipends, and the increasing reputation of A&M.

Women are most active in the College of Liberal Arts, with 104 enrolled. Of that number 82 are seeking advanced degrees in education, 16 in English.

Twelve women are enrolled in agriculture, six in engineering, one in geosciences, 10 in science, two in veterinary medicine, and four in statistics.

Math Club Elects Officers

Math Club officers were elected during an organizational meeting last week.

Officers are president Jim Reitz, a senior from New York City; vice-president Gene Rosenbaum, a senior from Brenham; treasurer Brian Honey, a sophomore from Galveston; and program chairman Jim Rupley, a senior from El Paso. Club representatives to the Arts and Sciences Council are Patrick Robinson, senior representative from Houston, and Sophomore Sandra Carr, junior representative from Kerrville.

Dr. W. S. McCulley, math instructor, sponsors the club.

Local Firms Give \$1,725 In Grants

Texas A&M has received \$1,725 in scholarships from six Bryan-

College Station firms, organizations and individuals.

The donors, amount of scholarships and purposes are as follows:

KORA, \$200, journalism; Lilly Ice Cream, \$400, dairy science; Dr. Luther G. Jones, \$200, agronomy; Bryan Building and Loan, \$500, improvement of teaching; and Collegiate FFA Chapter, \$125, deserving student.

Board Endorses Two Amendments

Texas A&M's Board of Directors passed resolutions Saturday endorsing two amendments to the Texas Constitution.

The action supported Amendment One and Six. The first authorizes the state to add five cents to the ad valorem tax. Tax monies would be divided among 17 state colleges.

Amendment Six provides for a \$85 million bond issue to support low interest loans to college students in Texas.

Foreign Service Quiz Deadline Monday

Monday is deadline for filing applications for foreign service examinations by the Department of State and United States Information Agency.

Dr. J. M. Nance, head of Texas A&M's Department of History and Government, said examinations will be given here Dec. 4. Applications may be filed in Room 208, Nagle Hall.

Applicants must be at least 21 and under 31 years old, with the exception of 20-year olds who have completed their junior year of college.

Nance said the examinations are for students with special qualifications in international relations, public and business administration, economics, journalism, foreign commerce, political science, history, labor, and other subjects.

Depending on age and qualifications, candidates may be appointed as foreign service officers with salaries from \$6,050 to \$8,420.

Biology Prof Gets Research Grant

Dr. Edward Chin, visiting associate professor of biology at Texas A&M, has been awarded a \$40,092 National Science Foundation grant for "Coordination of Research Vessel Anton Bruun."

The one-year grant, effective immediately, is for support of biological oceanographic programs in the Southeastern Pacific.

Dr. John G. Mackin, head of A&M's Department of Biology, said Chin will coordinate a series of voyages by researchers throughout the United States for

study of fauna and flora in western South American waters. Mackin said the grant provides for several graduate assistants, both scientific and clerical, at A&M Marine Laboratory in Galveston.

"Any scientific institution in the United States may apply for use of the R/V Anton Bruun," Mackin said. "Chin has been creating the ship in the Indian Ocean for the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute. He is shifting his base of operations to A&M Marine Laboratory."

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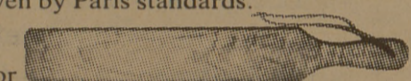
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