

Fish To Hempstead

Dean Reveals Parking Switch

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Dean of Students James P. Hannigan announced Wednesday that effective next semester freshmen will be required to park motor vehicles in the "Hempstead" parking lot on the southeast corner of the campus. The ruling will apply to all students who have passed less than 30 semester hours and will include freshmen living in the north dormitory area.

Hannigan stressed the change would probably not be permanent and was an attempt to alleviate the crowded parking situation on the campus' north-west side.

"The change is primarily due to the fact that there are too many people with cars in the area of the northwest corner," he said.

He added that many students living in that area have been deprived of normal parking space off-campus by construction of the underpass at State Highway 60 and old Highway 6.

But Hannigan revealed a large tract of land owned by the university west of the campus will eventually be converted into parking space to ease the parking squeeze.

He explained that railroad tracks west of old Highway 6 will be torn out to build the underpass, leaving the university free to utilize the adjacent land. The proposed lot would run several hundred yards along the west edge of the campus and would include all land from the highway west to the site of the railroad tracks.

Hannigan said work will also begin in the near future on construction of a parking lot south of present parking facilities behind G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The dean noted that campus paved and gravel parking lots and streetside parking will accommodate 6,495 vehicles, yet 7,782 cars were registered for the fall semester.

"If they ever all show up at the same time," he pointed out, "we'll be shy some 1,300 spaces."

Hannigan said an increase in parking fees for the 1966-67 school term is under discussion as a means of financing parking lot additions and improvements.

"No state funds can be used for parking facilities, so it is quite possible there may be an increase in parking fees," Hannigan said.

He added that the change in regulations is an attempt to allow freshmen to keep cars on campus, instead of banning them as do most colleges when numbers exceed available spaces.

Hannigan noted some parking spaces have been walled off by various construction projects but will eventually be restored to normal use.

The dean also hinted that in

the future the inner campus might be blocked off to through traffic as a result of increased campus traffic.

"Our long-range plans are to increase as much as possible the parking facilities close to the perimeter of the main campus and try to hold down vehicular traffic at the academic center of the campus," he said.

A&M Receives \$185,000 Gift For Scholars

Texas A&M University has been awarded a three-year \$185,000 Ford Foundation grant for Latin American and North American scholars.

President Earl Rudder announced the award Thursday and named Dr. Jack D. Gray, international programs director, to supervise the program.

Gray said 8-12 persons will be involved in team research projects in the Dominican Republic and Mexico.

"The grant is the first for 'task force research,'" he noted.

Each research team will include two professors and two graduate students. One of the graduate students will be a Latin American.

Further plans call for one professor on each team to have experience in international work.

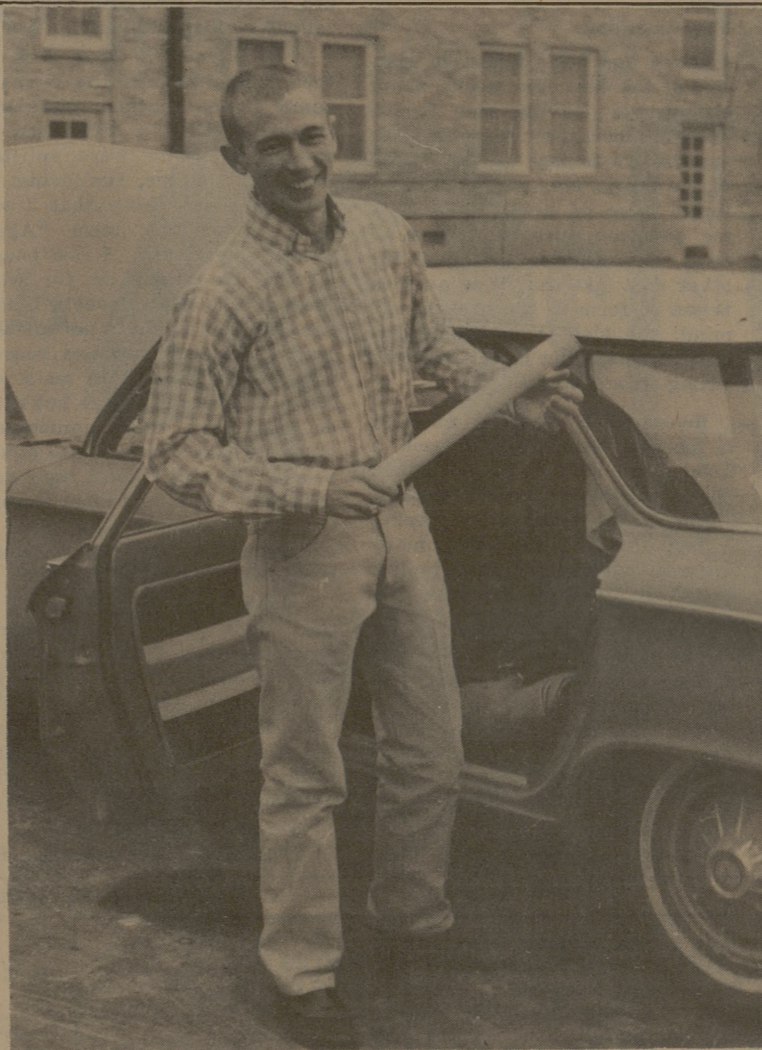
"Our plan calls for the graduate students to live overseas to do field research," Gray explained. "Not more than three months each year will be spent overseas by each of the professors."

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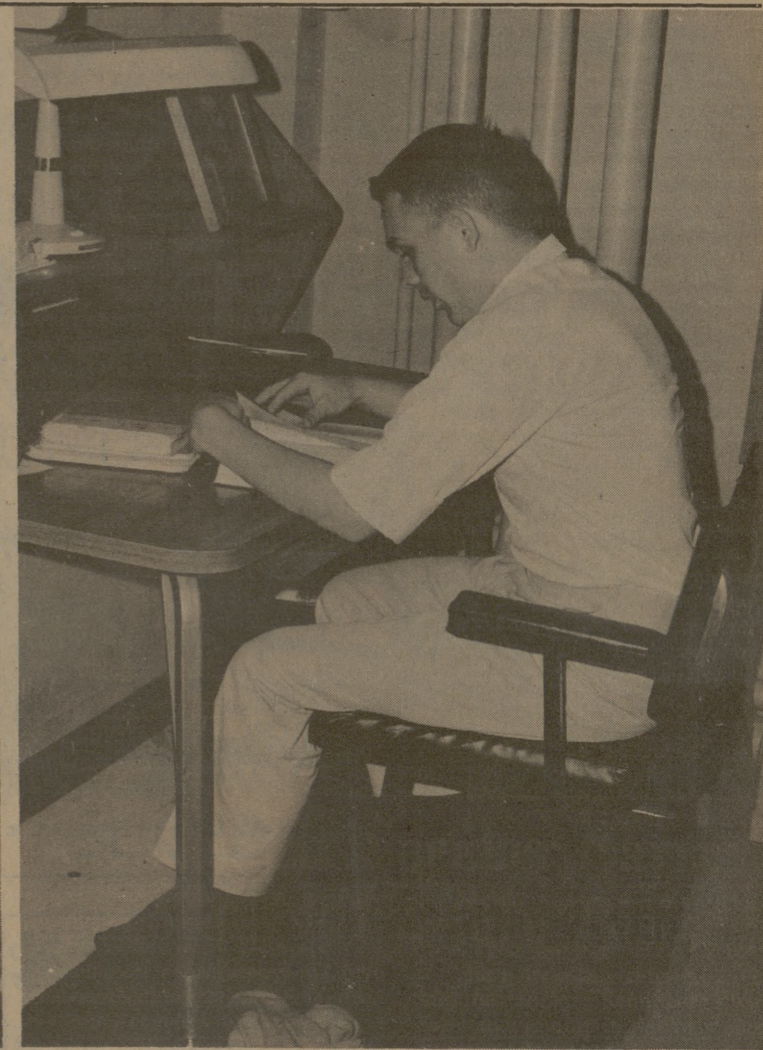
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Final Week at Texas A&M was meaningful to some students yet crucial to others. At left Aubrey Lange clutches his diploma as he packs his car prior to leaving for good. He received his diploma at Commencement Exercises last



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weekend. At right sophomore Howard Hensel crams for still another final. Exams continue through Saturday morning, with registration for the spring semester to begin Feb. 4.

800 ID Cards Still Unclaimed

More than 800 students must pick up permanent identification cards before they will be allowed to register for the spring semester, a registration official said Wednesday.

Bob Gleason, associate director of admissions, said most of the unclaimed cards belong to special students and faculty-staff members registered for courses.

"Students who have the old ID card will be blocked temporarily at registration," Gleason warned.

Cards may be picked up at room 7 of the Richard Coke Building.

Fall Term Graduates Hear Clergyman, Army General

Texas A&M graduates Saturday viewed America's strength through the eyes of a clergyman and a general.

"The United States will defend its allies at any level of warfare," Army Maj. Gen. Harry H. Critz declared. "We are willing to help friendly countries overcome conditions which lead to situations such as Viet Nam."

Rabbi Robert J. Schur told graduates "the strength of our nation is no more than the weakest among us."

Critz, commander of the Artillery and Missile Center at Fort Sill, Okla., spoke at ROTC com-

missioning exercises. Schur addressed the mid-year graduating class.

"We are organizing to convince the forces of world communism that we, as a government, are prepared to meet their attack against our friends and allies at whatever level of conflict they choose," Critz said.

"And what is more important, we are prepared to take the initiative to assist our friends in solving their problems, which, left untended, lead to such senseless slaughter, as that perpetuated in Viet Nam today by the Communist government of Hanoi."

Sixty-three Aggies received commissions as second lieutenants, including 50 Army, 10 Air Force and 3 Marine Corps.

"The dangers you face are not all on the battlefield," Critz pointed out. "Today's soldier is subject to other dangers as deadly as bullets. He is confronted with the faceless and subtle virus of apathy and the creeping malignancy which can attack his morale and haunt him with questions concerning the significance of his

service.

"Weapons of the mind and heart have sustained brave men in troubled times before and they are no less valuable in this peculiar and troubled time in which we serve," the general concluded.

Rabbi Schur challenged 551 mid-year graduates to conquer frontiers within themselves. He was introduced by University President Earl Rudder, who conferred 31 doctorates, 106 master's and 414 bachelor's degrees.

"No nation can measure its accomplishments in terms of gross national product and be satisfied," the rabbi of the Beth-El Congregation in Fort Worth said. "The test is not how high can the gifted, energetic, conscientious rise, but to what level can we lift the least in us."

"Life's challenge still must be met when we learn to adjust and recognize the unity of man," Schur added. "After the most distant frontier has been conquered, the most extensive and complex frontier remains. Not outward, but inward we must turn to find the treasured wealth and power and promise of man."

Brazosport School Executive To Join Education Faculty

Dr. Lester S. Richardson, superintendent of the Brazosport School District, will join the Department of Education and Psychology June 1, Dr. Paul Hensarling, department head, has announced.

An A&M graduate and former superintendent of A&M Consolidated Schools, Richardson will teach and assume department responsibility in educational administration.

Richardson, 46, will be chairman of education administration, have major responsibility in the statewide conference for school administrators and supervisors at A&M in June, direct doctoral candidate research and carry on independent research projects.

"He has developed an outstanding program for Brazosport schools," said Dr. Frank W. R. Hubert, dean of Liberal Arts. "We feel fortunate to acquire his services, particularly at this time when educational enterprises are receiving support at the state

and national level.

"We have been seeking a person of his stature for over a year to fill this vital area of responsibility. He will give strength to our doctoral program, especially as it relates to preparation of school superintendents," Hensarling added.

Richardson has been at Brazosport since 1960. Prior to his present post, the school administrator was professor of education and director of the Bureau of Educational Research and Services and a member of the Faculty Graduate Council at the University of Houston.

He acquired B.S. and master of education degrees at A&M in 1946 and 1948, receiving the Ph.D. in education and administration at Houston in 1954. He engaged in postdoctoral work at Columbia University and the University of Chicago.

After leaving Consolidated in 1957, Richardson was superintendent of Cuero schools two years.

The educator holds membership and office in many national scientific and professional societies. He is a member of the commission on colleges for the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, a representative on the College Entrance Exam Board until 1968 and president of the Gulf Region Educational TV Affiliates, KUHT-TV, Houston.

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FIRE GUTS LINCOLN SCHOOL
Firemen battle a stubborn blaze that caused \$65,000 in damage to the Lincoln School complex south of the campus last week. The fire, whipped by high winds, destroyed classrooms housing the sixth through twelfth grades at the Negro school, leaving only two classroom buildings standing. Approximately 100 students were displaced by the fire and are being phased in at A&M Consolidated schools.