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**Money Always Scarce For Students**

**Aggies Work At Many Jobs To Meet Financial Burdens**

By ED SMITH  
Battalion Special Writer

What does it take to go to college?

Money!

You don't have to be rich or have a lot before you start (although it would be nice) but you do need some means of getting it as you go along.

Lack of funds seems to be the generally acknowledged plight of most Aggies. Poverty seems to have found a happy resting place in student life.

Much student conversation revolves around this problem. Fish Jones wonders how he will get the money to buy his date a flower for the ball. Junior White is putting away a dime a week to pay for his senior ring and fifth year undergraduate Brown's wife is going to have a baby.

Married students seem to feel the pinch a little more than the single fellas. These men are faced with multiplying problems and expenses.

Regardless of their motives, Aggies work. When the loan falls through and the scholarship money is spent, work is all that's left.

AN AGGIE can work in one or more of three areas. He can get a job with some local business, can work for himself or for the university.

It seems that whatever his choice might be, Aggie salaries average about the same. Most salaries range between 90 cents and \$1.25 an hour.

Gary Pierson, fifth year industrial technology major from Beaumont, went the local business route.

Pierson is night manager at the Saber Motel. He's married and finds his job essential to his getting along.

"I work about 48 hours a week and it's about the best thing I ever did," Pierson said.

Bill Swanson, junior industrial technology major from Brownsville, is a jack-of-all-trades.

"I have worked in both chow halls, at the Taste Freeze, at the Memorial Student Center and now I'm working at Gibson's," Swanson said.

Swanson sacks for the checkers and puts out merchandise in the soft goods department.

"AS FAR AS part time jobs are concerned this is the best I have had," Swanson said.

He spends about 24 hours a week on the job and is working just for spending money.

Several Aggies have been able to wrangle a way to work for themselves and still make money.

"I can study here at the station and the practical management experience gained here impressed several potential employers," he added.

"You get a better idea of what goes on behind the scenes of business operation and employer consider this experience at him time."

THE UNIVERSITY itself has long been a source of jobs for Aggies.

Louis Kolinek, freshman electrical engineering major from Waco, is a waiter in Shiba Dining Hall.

"I work about 21 hours a week and still keep most of my weekend free," he said.

Kolinek's job doesn't bother his schoolwork and he is now looking for another since he feels he can handle two.

"My job will pay about a fourth of my school expenses. In semester it paid for books and other smaller necessities," Kolinek added.

Kenny Ward, second year veterinary medicine student from Fort Worth, has a job close related to his studies.

Ward is a research assistant at the Research Dog Colony at the School of Veterinary Medicine.

"I TAKE CARE of the general health of the animals, give them shots and look after the puppies," Ward said.

Doug Lott, sophomore mechanical engineering major from Bryan, is a student assistant at the library. He spends about 15 hours a week on the job and his money goes for general spending.

"Keeping hours on the job down to 15 doesn't hurt my grades but this is about all I would like to handle," Lott said.

SO IT SEEMS that an Aggie the school and a job can be made to work together for the good of all concerned.

There is also evidence that Aggies take money to go to college but these Aggies prove that you don't have to be rich to make it through.

All you have to have is the desire to go to college and the will to work.

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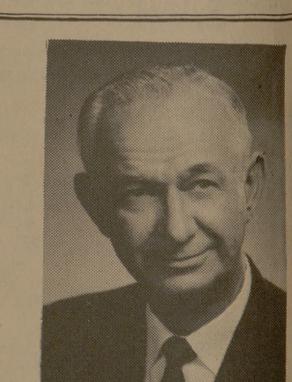
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