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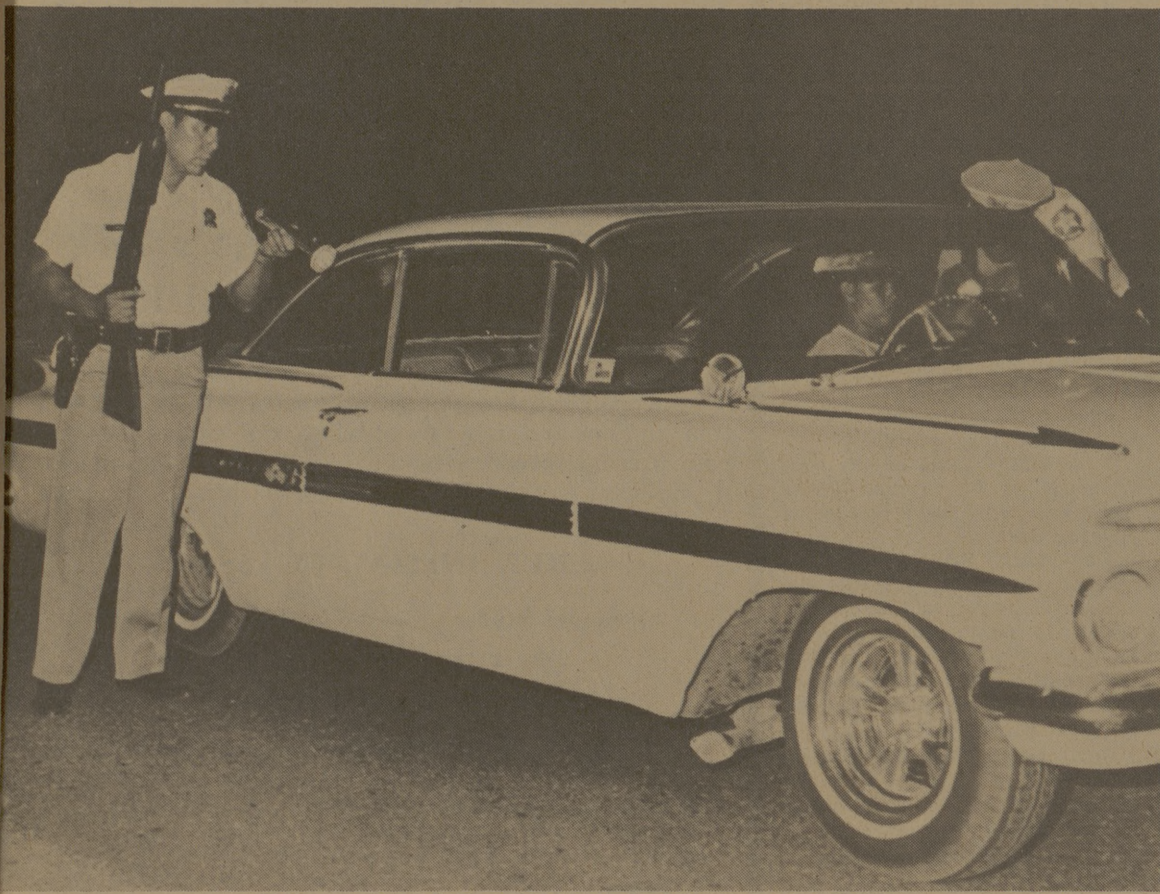


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## Search Continues For 2 Escapees



BRYAN POLICE OFFICERS STOP MOTORIST ... all traffic out of Bryan-College Station was checked after jail break.

### Ex-Cons Jump Officers

By GERALD GARCIA  
A wide-spread search continued today for two men who escaped from the Brazos County Jail early Wednesday evening.

Two young ex-convicts overpowered two officers and stole a pistol and some money during their getaway about 8 p.m. Wednesday, Brazos County Sheriff J. W. Hamilton said.

Hamilton called in bloodhounds from the Huntsville Prison Unit after finding a car off Highway 21 east which could have been used by the escapees.

The two escapees were described as Willie Davis, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighing 170 pounds, and Paul Privett, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighing 150 pounds.

Brazos County and Bryan Police officers surrounded the area between Highway 21 and Marino Road when a car left the main road and headed into a pasture. But officers later learned that the automobile's owner did not have a driver's license and only sought to avoid a road-block. In the process, the driver knocked down several fences trying to cut across the pasture.

Officers believed the two escapees had forced the driver to cut off into the pasture, but when the driver was apprehended officers learned that the driver was only trying to avoid arrest.

Hamilton said his investigation was progressing on the assumption the two men split up after the break. Davis is a Negro and Privett is white, with blue eyes, glasses and several days' growth of beard.

Hamilton said Jailer Arch Wilson, 61, and city patrolman David McDaniel were delivering a new arrival to a cell on the fourth floor when they were jumped from behind by the two ex-convicts.

The two escapes reportedly had a knife and a meat cleaver when they forced the two officers into a cell, which they locked. The newly arrived prisoner did not join in the flight. Neither of the law officers was hurt.

Davis and Privett ran downstairs, to the jail's administrative section and broke into a locker where a .357 magnum pistol was kept.

Bloodhounds from Huntsville arrive in Bryan about midnight but by that time the only lead that had developed had been dropped.

Both city and county officers set up roadblocks on all exits out of Bryan-College Station but failed to turn up any major leads.



BLOODHOUNDS EAGER TO SEE ACTION ... dogs from Huntsville Prison unit did not see action because of a false lead.

## State Board Approves Grant, Name Change, 3 Degree Programs

Three degree programs, a name change and cooperating research grant were authorized for Texas A&M at the Coordinating Board meeting of the Texas College and University System in Austin.

Bachelor of science degree programs were approved for biochemistry and nuclear engineering, departments previously offering only graduate programs. A master of science in biophysics also was authorized.

The Department of Biochemistry and Nutrition, headed by Dr. C. M. Lyman, received a name change to biochemistry and biophysics. The change becomes effective Sept. 1, according to Dr. Wayne C. Hall, dean of the Graduate College.

Dr. Robert G. Cochran is head of the Department of Nuclear Engineering.

The Coordinating Board approved a \$70,105 research project eligible for federal matching funds in which A&M, Texas Tech and the University of Texas will cooperate. It will be administered through the Water Resources Institute at A&M.

The four-part project features studies of condemnation of water rights and mathematical simulation of rainfall runoff processes.

### Actors Needed For Productions

Casting call is now out for two plays to be presented in the Fall-out Theater.

"If Men Played Cards As Women Do," and "If Women Worked As Men Do," both directed by Jan Gannaway, require parts for four men and four women.

Casting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Fall-out Theater in the rear of Guion Hall.

Robert Wenck, Technical Director of the Aggie Players, will also hold casting call for two plays which he will direct. "The Bed" and "The Spineless Drudge" have parts for four boys and eight girls. These plays will be presented through the Premiere Players, a high school summer theater program at A&M. Parts are limited to high school students only.

Casting for Wenck's plays will be held at 2-5 p.m. Monday in the Fall-out Theater.

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at Texas, under combined grants of \$26,859. Directors are Drs. Corwin W. Johnson and Walter Moore, respectively.

Tech's \$15,081 will go for development of systems for ground water recharge, directed by Marvin Dvorasek.

The remaining \$28,165 will be employed at A&M for evaluation of resource use and economic effects due to irrigation water use.

Dr. Warren Trock and Fred Schmer will co-direct.

"The main objective will be to

evaluate effects of the state water plan for Texas agricultural industries," explained Schmer. "The evaluation will be applicable in other states."

The A&M project will employ two or three graduate students over a two-year period, Schmer added. One fulltime professional will be needed six to 10 months.

Supporting in a consultant capacity will be Dr. Ernest T. Smerdon, WRI director, and Dr. Jack R. Runkles, soil physics professor in the Department of Soil and Crop Sciences.

## 2 Profs Selected To Athletic Council

Walter S. Manning, associate professor of business, and Dr. Lannes H. Hope, associate professor of psychology, are new members of Texas A&M's Athletic Council.

A&M President Earl Rudder announced the appointments.

Manning and Hope join Council Chairman Dr. Chris H. Groneman, Department of Industrial Education head, and Councilmen Harry L. Kidd Jr., associate professor of English, and Dr. O. D. Butler, Department of Animal Science head.

"Both men are very excellent selections and they will add much to the constructive thinking of the council," Groneman said. "The council membership now represents wide and varied interests of the campus."

Manning has served numerous committees in 25 years on the A&M faculty. He has a masters degree in business from the University of Texas, a B.S. from Texas A&I, and is a certified public accountant.

"It's quite an honor to be named to the Athletic Council," Manning commented. "I'm looking forward to working with the council and hope to make a contribution."

Hope joined the A&M faculty in 1961 as assistant professor of psychology. He is counseling psychologist in the Counseling and Testing Center.

"The appointment provides a unique opportunity to serve the university generally, and athletics particularly, entailing both privilege and responsibility," Hope remarked. "I look forward to being on the council as an in-

tegral part of continued association with the faculty and staff of A&M."

The psychologist served from 1940 to 1946 in the U. S. Army as an officer with the 1st Infantry Division in the European Theater. He is a major in the Army Reserve.



"CURSE YOU, JACK DALTON" tonight and Friday. Marcie Moore, right, and David Barron run through a scene. Director is Debbie Klein and the play is supervised by Tim Lane.

## Volcanologist Sets Monday Lecture

Volcanologist Dr. Fred M. Bullard of the University of Texas presents his "The Birth of a Volcano" in an NSF summer institute lecture Monday at Texas A&M.

The unusual presentation includes 35mm slides and 16mm movies in color of the formation of Mexico's Paricutin Volcano.

Bullard's lecture begins at 8 p.m., in the Biology Building lecture room, announced Coleman Loyd, National Science Foundation coordinator.

The Universities of Oklahoma and Michigan-trained Texas geology professor has studied Paricutin from three months following its birth in a cornfield in 1943 to its present height of 1,700 feet.

He was instructing a course at the National University of Mexico in 1943 when the earth's molten interior vented in the cornfield.

"I used it as a laboratory for my students and for the next seven years spent a part of each year at Paricutin studying the volcano's life history," Bullard says. Many scenes of his pictorial presentation were made at the site 200 miles west of Mexico City and only 75 miles from the Pacific Ocean.

"At night, the volcano presents a magnificent spectacle," he describes. "With each explosion thousands of red-hot bombs are

thrown 2,000 to 3,000 feet above the crater rim, showering the cone like a giant skyrocket, leaving a trail of fire as they cascade down the sides."

While carrying on research studies and serving as official observer for the International Committee studying Paricutin in 1944, Bullard lived in a cabin at the base of the cone several months. One lava flow stopped 30 feet short of the structure.

He participated in a U. S. Army Helicopter Expedition to the volcano, flying over the crater.

### Optimistic Or Pessimistic?

It might be interesting to note that in a special supplement to the Houston Post last Sunday there appeared a run-down of various schools entitled "Schools & Colleges in South Texas." Although intended mainly for advertising purposes, the articles inside might be interesting in looking to Texas A&M's future.

In all articles on other schools they talk entirely of their academic program and general growth. Upon A&M they speak of the athletic program and new stadium. Whether this is optimism on the part of the new sports program or pessimism on the part of the academic program it is not known. But there is encouragement that A&M is mentioned and as said before, this might be interesting.

## Witsell Named To Top Post At Cyclotron

Gilbert P. Witsell, 29, of Little Rock, Ark., has been named associate director for administration of the Cyclotron Institute at Texas A&M, announced Dr. A. D. Suttle Jr., vice president for research.

Witsell provides coordination with other A&M departments, has budgetary, contractual, accounting, purchasing and other administrative duties and directs administrative staff work.

"He will work with associate directors of research and operations to assure needs of the cyclotron and the research and operating staff are met," Suttle said.

Dr. John A. McIntyre is associate director of research. Associate director for operations is Dr. Whitney McFarlin, with whom Witsell worked at the University of Arkansas.

Witsell has moved to A&M from Hot Springs where he was sales representative for Arkansas Power and Light five years. He performed public relations duties and dealt in new construction.

The association director attended Culver Military Academy, graduating in 1955. After six months in the Army, he enrolled at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo. He earned the B.S. in business administration at Arkansas in 1961.

## Record Enrollment Due For Journalism Workshop

A record 400 students and teachers from four states are expected for a High School Journalism Workshop which starts Sunday at Texas A&M.

Student newspaper editors, yearbook staffs and photographers comprise the bulk of enrollment.

Delbert McGuire, A&M's Department of Journalism head, is workshop director. A&M photography instructor Jack Boggan and Bryan High School publications sponsor Lela Edwards will assist.

Section chiefs include Edith King of San Antonio College, Mrs. Ester Curnutt of San Antonio Fox Technical High School, Pat Martin of Grayson County Junior College, Elaine Pritchett of Houston Memorial High School, Lillian Hefner of Dallas Lake Highlands High School, Mary Freeman of Beaumont South Park High School, Chet Hunt of the Texas Press Association in Austin, and Ernestine Farr of Arlington High School.

Students will produce two newspapers, the "Workshopper" — letterpress, and the "Sweatshopper" — offset. Elizabeth Hurley of Pampa will direct the "Workshopper", and Virginia Knapp of Carthage will head the "Sweatshopper".

Yearbook workshopers will produce a 64-page yearbook to be published by Taylor Publishing Company of Dallas. Charles Dolan of TPC will handle yearbook operations.

Photography enthusiasts will work on all three publications.

A "Miss Workshopper" and four princesses will be selected Wednesday and a buffet dinner will honor participants July 28.