CHECKING REACTOR

Dr. Robert G. Cochran, standing, Texas A&M Department of Nuclear Engineering head, and Dr. Robert S. Wick, a new faculty member formerly employed by Westinghouse Inc., check out the AGN-201 reactor in an A&M laboratory. A&M has a small accelerator, a radio isotopes lab, the Nuclear Science Center and Cyclotron Institute available to students.

Nuclear Engineering

## **A&M Adds Another** Course Of Study

Texas A&M will add another other sophisticated research fa-first to its curriculum Sept. 1. cility at their disposal.

That's the date the university will be authorized to offer undergraduate studies in nuclear nuclear physicist and group lead-engineering. A&M will become er at Oak Ridge National Labengineering. A&M will become the first school in Texas and most of the Southwest to offer a bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering.

The University of Mississippi and Kansas State University are nearest competitors to A&M for attracting undergraduates for nuclear engineering studies.

A&M has offered masters and doctoral studies in nuclear engineering since 1959, and is adding the BS to meet the expanding demand for nuclear engineers.

"Many bachelor's degree winners will go into reactor physics and management of power reactors," commented Dr. Robert G. Cochran, A&M Department of Nuclear Engineering head. "Eleven power reactors generating many megawatts of electricity are already in use in the United States, 20 more are under construction, and others are approved for construction."

"The nuclear power industry is growing rapidly," Cochran continued. "It is an exciting engineering field of the future. Opportunities will become greater as more power reactors are used to generate electric power."

Cochran spoke of nuclear power as a future competitor for gas power and other fossil fuels.

"Nuclear power has at least one big advantage over fossil fuel," he explained. "There is no release of by-products to pollute the air or water."

Cochran believes salaries for nuclear engineers with BS degrees will be "quite competitive with other fields."

"One of our master's students received \$12,000 annually in his first job," he pointed out. "All of them make at least \$900 a month."

Students working toward the bachelor's in nuclear engineering will be required to complete 137 hours, slightly less than for most engineering programs.

A&M's facilities are among the best in the nation. Students have access to the AGN-201 Laboratory, the Nuclear Science Center, a small accelerator which produces neutrons, and a radio isotopes development laboratory. With completion of the Cyclotron Institute, students will have an-

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R. L. Patrick, coordinator for the Engineering Extension Service, said graduates will be qualified for upgrading in their jobs after 600 hours of instruction.

Most of the men, Patrick explained, have completed apprentice training in mechanical construction jobs. They studied mathematics, business and job management, engineering graphics and counseling at Aggieland. In addition, they heard lectures by representatives of Texas in-

visory training school at Texas at A&M. It ends Jan. 27. A second school is slated Feb. 13 through June 30.

Graduates, by cities, and spon-

soring business firms, include: SAN ANTONIO - Hugh R. Asher, 230 Cherry Ridge, pipefitter; Wallace E. Butler, 301 Linares, sheet metal worker.

DALLAS - Claude Earl Litton, 555 Alcorn, airconditioning engineer; Billy Ed Kurtz, 1243 Brighton, plumber; John A. Horn, 9650 Starlight Road, engi-

AUSTIN-Edward Mack Barrett, 3002 Leaning Oak, plumber.

LUBBOCK — Phillip Ewing Another school begins Aug. 29 Stidger, 1907 48th Street, sheet metal worker.

ARLINGTON — Charles R. Dickinson, 2906 Buena Vista, take-off and pricing.

HOUSTON - Robert Glen Irwin, 9219 Richland, plumber; Thomas C. Leppard, 2311 Brenard, purchasing.

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