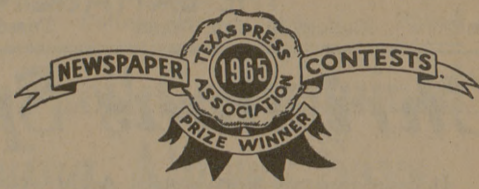




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Probation Lifted From A&M At Faculty Committee Meeting

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Texas A&M's probation was lifted Saturday, thus clearing the decks of all rules violations in the Southwest Conference.

The Aggies were taken off an indefinite probation given them for football practice out of season and taking up athletic scholarships.

SANCTIONS ALSO were voted when the probation was invoked a year ago, prohibiting Texas A&M from playing in bowl games. These sanctions were removed effective Jan. 16, 1967.

Action on the probation climaxed a quiet meeting of the faculty committee, governing body of the conference, with most of the news being produced by the coaches and athletic directors in their meeting Thursday.

AT THAT time the coaches and athletic directors moved to cut down on the verbal abuse of football players when they considered charges that Jerry Levias, the Southern Methodist star, had been subjected to racial barbs.

The coaches and athletic directors also made some changes in the officiating set up in an attempt to improve it.

Neither of these matters was taken up by the faculty committee, which indicated it thought the athletic directors and coaches had handled them satisfactorily.

TEXAS A&M also is on probation in the NCAA, which cannot remove it until next October when its infractions committee meets. However, in recent years the NCAA has been paralleling action of the Southwest Conference and there were no indications the NCAA wouldn't go along with the conference this time.

Removal of A&M from probation and a report that there were no complaints of rules violations on file brought to an end two and one-half years of turbulence during which four schools were put on probation and two were reprimanded for violation of recruiting rules.

SMU, TEXAS, Arkansas and A&M were the schools given probationary terms, the former and latter with sanctions invoked. Texas and Arkansas were taken off within a year while SMU was removed only last May, thus becoming eligible to play in the Cotton Bowl Dec. 31 against Georgia.

Texas Tech and Baylor were the schools giving reprimands.

This means only Rice and Texas Christian escaped the dog house in the period.

DR. ALAN Chapman of Rice, president of the conference, said the removal of A&M from the list meant that officials had assured the conference that the school had satisfactorily revised

its practices in the athletic program to meet the rules. While there was no explosive news from the conference meeting, it did deal with interesting items ranging from making transfers eligible for varsity play without having to be junior college graduates to a discussion of Cotton Bowl affairs.



"AND A SAVIOR WAS BORN" A modernistic painting of the Nativity scene on display in the Memorial Student Center. It is viewed by James Weber. The painting is (Battalion photo by Russell Autrey)

Tuition Hike Suggested By Coordinating Board

Increase To \$7 Per Hour Asked

By JACK KEEVER

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas College Coordinating Board recommended Monday that a typical Texas undergraduate at a four-year state-supported college should pay more than double his current tuition next September.

If approved by the legislature, it would be the first tuition increase at Texas' 22 public colleges and universities since 1957.

"In essence," Cigarroa said, "it is a tax on students." "THOSE WHO would double tuition rates in Texas would plant a dagger and a thorn in the heart of the hopes of Texas youth," said Sen. Ralph Yarborough, D-Tex., speaking at St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

In-state residents who now pay a flat \$50 a semester tuition fee should pay \$7 a semester hour or \$105 for a normal 15-hour semester next year, the board said.

The fee for out-of-state residents attending Texas' four-year schools would be \$20 a semester hour, or \$300 per semester instead of the current \$200 fee.

The board said this would bring in an additional \$43.8 million to the schools during the next two-year fiscal period.

"CONSIDERING fees in addition to tuition, the in-state student under the new rate would pay between \$122 and \$146 per semester," a report by the board's staff said. "At least 35 per cent of state-supported colleges and universities in the nation charge more."

The report said, "Under the

Dean Anticipated Board's Decision

Dean of Students James P. Hannigan said last night he was "not at all surprised" by the Texas College Coordinating Board's recommendation.

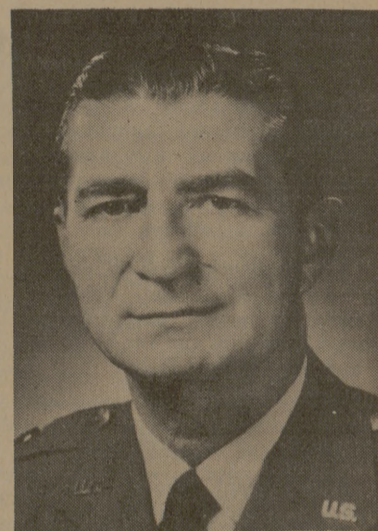
"This step was more or less inevitable," Hannigan said. "The recent speculation along these lines indicated that such a move was in the cards."

Hannigan pointed out that the final recommendation differed from what many people predicted.

"In the past, reports had always referred to doubling the tuition," he noted. "The actual decision deals with a \$7-per-hour increase instead."

proposed charge pattern, out-of-state students studying full-time in Texas will pay less than out-of-state students under similar institutions of study in 27 per cent of public institutions elsewhere."

Exempted from the \$7 semester hour charge would be medical, dental and baccalaureate degree nursing students, who would pay the same tuition they now pay. The \$20 semester hour charge also would exempt out-of-state graduate students.



BRIG. GEN. D. F. BLAKE

General Talks At Exercises

Air University Commandant Brig. Gen. Donald F. Blake will speak at Texas A&M commissioning exercises Jan. 21, announced Col. D. L. Baker, professor of military science.

The head of the Air Force ROTC at Maxwell AFB, Ala., has 24 years military experience and was promoted to brigadier general last August.

General Blake was assigned to the Air University commandant post following four years in Air Force Headquarters in Washington. He served on the Air Staff and for three years was the Air Force member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Tactical Branch, Requirements and Developments Division.

The 1942 West Point graduate earned pilot wings that year and flew 62 combat missions in the China-Burma-India theater during World War II. After the war, he studied the Russian language, international relations and European history at Columbia University for intelligence assignments in Europe.

Lighting Device Will Be Shown

A Texas Transportation Institute research device will puncture 100 feet of air above the Drill Field near the Memorial Student Center during the 40th annual Texas Highway Short Course today through Thursday.

The telescoping steel tower supports new type lights under study for freeway interchange illumination, said Ned Walton, TTI traffic and design department research assistant.

The closed tower was trailed onto the field in front of the Memorial Student Center Friday. Two other light towers are situated in the west corner of the field.

"We're setting our demonstration equipment here because of participants' transportation problems to the research annex," Walton said.

He held numerous combat wing posts in the U. S. including Texas, and overseas from 1954 to 1962. While wing commander of the 64th Troop Carrier Wing, Dyess AFB, Tex., he attended the basic airborne course at Fort Benning and was awarded the parachutist badge.

General Blake, a 1950 graduate of the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell, wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster, the Purple Heart and numerous service and campaign ribbons.

Cadets To Sing Wednesday Night In Services Here

Texas A&M's Singing Cadets will present a program of religious Christmas music Wednesday night in the All Faiths Chapel.

The annual Christmas program sponsored by the YMCA and student chaplains begins at 7:45 p.m., announced J. Gordon Gay, YMCA general secretary.

A reading of the Christmas story from the second chapter of St. Luke by Head Yell Leader Tommy Stone will be followed by the 40-minute Singing Cadet program.

Numbers in the presentation directed by Bob Boone include "Allelujah," "The Carol Brothers Carol," Fanfare from "Christmas Day" and "The Coventry Carol." Singing Cadets president Kurt Schember said. Soloists will be Al Meyer, Jack Smith, Jim Cain and Schember. Mrs. June Biering accompanies the 61-voice glee club.

The Wednesday program will be the Cadets' first public appearance on campus this year.

"Anyone who heard our program at SCONA last week should come because we have added several new numbers for the YMCA program," Schember noted.

A&M Gets \$216,750 Grant

The Texas College Coordinating Board Monday approved six institutional research type proposals by Texas A&M University with matching grants totaling \$216,750.

Dr. Wayne C. Hall, Texas A&M's academic vice president, said the six grants were among 23 projects totaling \$770,295 okayed by the board.

Dr. Hall and other University officials returned Monday night from Austin where they attended the board sessions.

THE BOARD also approved a doctoral program in economics at Texas A&M, Hall said.

With emphasis on econometrics, the degree plan involves the Graduate Institute of Statistics, the Texas Transportation Insti-

tute and the Department of Economics.

A&M RESEARCH proposals and total funds include: Development of model system for master planning in Texas in-

Aggies To Donate Apples, Oranges To VA Hospital

A&M students, College Station school children and parents send Christmas cheer to 1,200 patients in the Veterans Administration Center at Temple this week.

They will donate fruit for the veterans through a project originated and coordinated by P. L. (Pinkie) Downs Jr., official A&M greeter.

A&M students traditionally give apples and oranges from their annual Christmas dinner. Downs has arranged receptacles for the fruit at Sbisá and Duncan Dining Halls Wednesday evening, when Aggies have the Christmas feast.

A&M Consolidated and Lincoln High students, A&M faculty-staff members and College Station citizens may leave fruit at a point near the Memorial Student Center post office Thursday, Downs said.

VA Center Recreation Chief Harley D. Mitchell will pick up the fruit Friday.

The fruit will be distributed in plastic bags with candy, nuts and a Christmas card provided by the Bell County A&M Mothers Club.

stitutions of higher education, \$96,000.

Study of goals and need of architectural education to 1985, \$23,000.

Study of the role and scope of computers in the Texas System of Higher Education with evaluation of equipment needs, \$30,000.

Evaluation of needs and program development for veterinary medicine in Texas, \$24,000.

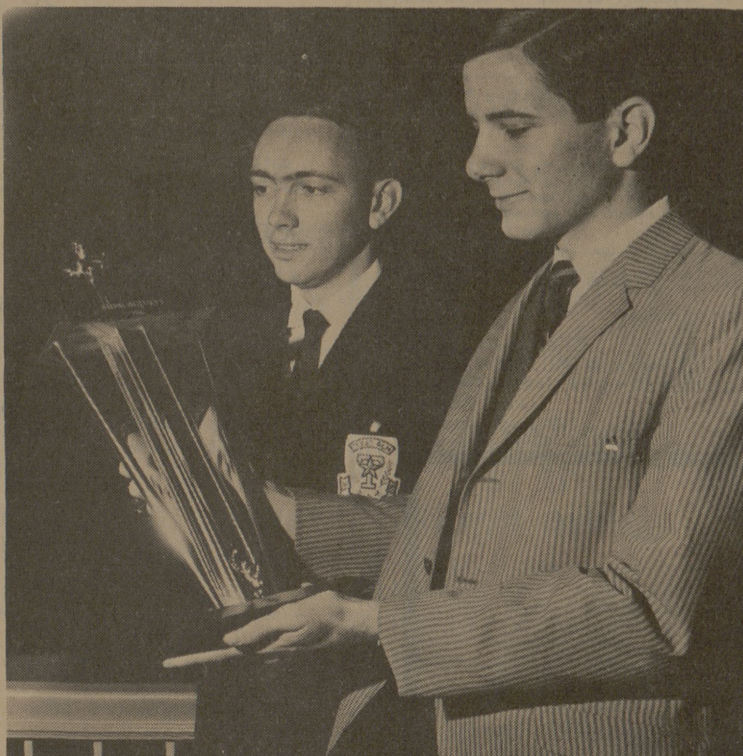
Study of needs and programs in geosciences in Texas to 1985, \$23,750.

Development of scientific techniques for space management and utilization in physical plants of educational institutions, \$20,000.

Open House

The city of College Station will sponsor an open house at the city hall 2-5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16.

Councilmen and other city officials will host the event, with wives serving refreshments.



ARKANSAS DEBATE WINNERS

James Byrd (left) of Houston and Robert Peek of Jacksboro teamed to win the junior division runnerup trophy for Texas A&M in the Harding Invitational Forensics Tourney at Searcy, Ark. Byrd is a sophomore, Peek a freshman. They are members of the A&M Debate Team coached by Carl Kell.

A&M Debaters Capture Trophy During Forensics Tournament

Texas A&M debaters captured the junior division runnerup trophy in the Harding Invitational Forensics Tournament at Searcy, Ark., over the weekend.

James Byrd of Houston and Robert Peek of Jacksboro won four matches and lost one, losing to Freed-Hardman College on a 3-0 ballot in the championship round.

Byrd and Peek bested Western Illinois and the University of Arkansas by two to one decisions in the quarter and semifinals. The Aggies argued the affirma-

tive against Western Illinois and had the negative in the two final matches.

Texas colleges took three of the top four prizes with Texas Tech winning the senior division championship. Hardin-Simmons was second. Freed-Hardman was the 1965 Tennessee all-college champion.

A&M sophomores Wayne Prescott of Houston and Ronald Hinds of Midland posted a two and three effort at Searcy, noted Carl Kell, A&M debate team coach. Byrd is a soph, Peek a freshman.

SCONA XII Was 'Proven Success'

The 12th Student Conference on National Affairs was a proven success because of "better preparedness and preparation," Bob Heaton, chairman, said yesterday. Three main points guided the success of SCONA this year.

"Registration, in recent years a big problem because of the time involved, was faster. We had organization meetings beforehand and ironed out the bugs then," Heaton remarked.

The housing and transportation committees were also better prepared.

Heaton said none of the delegates had any problems getting to and from the airport and their rooms.

The roundtable discussions were "more interesting" due to a "more knowledgeable leadership" provided by the co-chairmen. SCONA had never before hosted co-chairmen from the Spanish and German embassies in Washington, as well as the French and German consulates in Houston.

Jack Raines, class of '60 and graduate student at Rice University, was one of the first to comment on the "improved organization of SCONA."

French Consul-General Yves Rodrigues was impressed with the "knowledge and concern of the delegates during the roundtable discussions." He said he

hopes the delegates will "now understand the complexities of foreign policy" in the United States or any other country.

Five foreign universities sent delegates this year. The University of Mexico, University of Nuevo Leon, and Monterrey Tech were represented, while delegates came from McGill University and the University of Quebec in Canada.

Total registration results showed 168 delegates attending, from universities in 17 states and two foreign countries.

Three Vet Students Suspended

Three Texas A&M veterinary medicine students were suspended indefinitely Friday for vandalism and three other students for theft, announced Student Affairs Director Bennie A. Zinn.

Zinn said the veterinary medicine students were suspended as the result of a window-breaking incident here last Saturday night.

Campus Security Chief Ed Powell reported the trio tossed rocks through the windows of a South Gate cafe and also broke a car windshield in College Station. He also said they attempted to break windows at the university's Exchange Store.

There is no apparent connection

between this incident and the current series of window-breakings with BB guns in the Bryan-College Station area, Zinn stated.

A freshman management major was suspended for stealing a watch from another student in his dormitory and later stealing a watch-band from a local discount store. Both incidents occurred last week.

Two chemistry majors also were suspended for stealing gasoline Thursday morning from another student's car.

Zinn said restitution has been made in all the cases and no charges have been filed.