

# TTI Plans Study Of Urban Mobility

Total urban mobility in Texas cities will take the spotlight in the Ninth Annual Transportation Conference here March 30-31.

Sponsored by the Texas Transportation Institute and A&M's MacDonald Chair of Transportation, the conference concerns air, rail, automobile and truck transportation, with emphasis on highway safety.

Conferees will study the effects of urban mobility for carriers, shippers, financial organizations, state and city governments, and civic organizations.

Harold L. Graham, Pan American World Airways vice president, will discuss the impact of air transportation in the opening session. Robert H. Cutler, American Trucking Associations president, will analyze problems posed by the movement of large highway-type motor vehicles in urban areas.

John S. Gallagher, Jr., Battelle Memorial Institute transportation research director, will cover the railroad's effect on transportation in the state.

TTI Research Economist Hoy Richards will review the Texas urbanization as the conference's first speaker.

"Future Relationships of Federal, State and Metropolitan Area Governments" is the topic of Paul J. Tierney, Interstate Commerce Commission vice chairman.

## Radio Code Class To Begin Feb. 16

A code class for radio amateurs will be conducted by the Memorial Student Center Radio Committee, starting Feb. 16.

The eight-week course was announced by John Beckham, Radio Committee Communications manager.

Sign-up will be conducted Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. in the radio shack above the bowling alley of the MSC. There will be no charge, except for books which will cost approximately \$1.



**WOOL JUDGING CHAMPS**  
Members of the Texas A&M University wool judging team show the trophy they received when they defeated 13 other teams to win first place in the national intercollegiate contest during the recent National Western Livestock Show at Denver, Colo. Left to right are Buddy Adams of Fredericksburg, Larry Boleman of Waco, Spencer Tankley of Bryan, Bert Yarbrough of Ponder, Sam Kuykendall of San Angelo, and Coach Jim Bassett of the Animal Science Department.

# A&M Uses Itinerant Plan To Train State's Firemen

Firemen-trainers from Texas A&M's Engineering Extension Service keep the road hot implementing itinerant programs throughout the state.

"Largely, our five-man staff works with volunteer and small paid fire departments to help them achieve maximum efficiency from available facilities," declared Henry D. Smith, chief of A&M's Firemen's Training Division. "We tailor training programs to fit needs of individual departments."

The tailoring ranges from aiding in organizing or reorganizing departments, writing specifications for new equipment, designing fire prevention programs for public schools, to the use of ladders and principles of ventilation. EMPHASIS is on training firemen to do their job in the safest, fastest manner.

Tom Robinson, a 34-year fire service veteran with eight years at A&M, summed up the school's aims.

"The related information we give in lectures is valuable," he said. "But it's not any good to the firemen until they go outside and apply it. The testing factor is the key to success."

Speaking of keys, the training by A&M's itinerant instructors earns no key rate insurance credits for participating fire departments. Some departments set up training and equipment programs recommended by the A&M specialists, however, with the eventual results contributing to a fire insurance rate reduction for that city.

LAST YEAR, five itinerant instructors conducted training programs in 120 Texas towns, logging 6,794 miles in the process. The mileage might have been even higher except for a "circuit riding" plan.

Altogether, 600 meetings provided 34,974 hours of instruction for 2,323 firemen.

A&M officials say the ideal class has 14 students, but enrollment varies from a minimum of 10 to a maximum of 25.

Courses last a minimum of 15 hours each. And since volunteers work in a variety of jobs during the day, most classes are taught at night.

"WE SET UP a five-town circuit, usually within a 25 or 30 mile radius except in West Texas," explained Chief Smith. "The same instructor teaches classes in each town one night a week for five weeks."

A minor problem of coordination often arises since many fire departments stage training meetings on the same night.

"We get eager, attentive students for our classes," commented James Bland, an 11-year TEES employe with 30 years in fire service. "They come for instruction because they want it, not because their chief told them to come."

Chief Smith said 95 per cent of the circuit departments send men to annual summer training schools at A&M.

"WE POINT out advantages of further training during the short schools," he continued. "They realize it's to their advantage to keep up good training programs. You can't give anybody 15 years of experience in 15 hours of instruction."

## TEES Names Lambert Head In Electronics

Floyd A. Lambert has been named chief instructor of the Institute of Electronic Science, a division of Texas A&M's Engineering Extension Service.

Lambert's appointment to the post, effective March 1, was announced by H. D. Bearden, TEES director.

The Institute of Electronic Science is located at Texas A&M's Research Annex, 12 miles west of Bryan. Fifty-eight students are currently enrolled in two advanced classes.

Lambert replaces L. K. Jonas, who recently resigned to become director of engineering arts and technology at Central Texas College, a new institution scheduled to open in September near Killen.

Bearden said Lambert chose teaching over industrial application of his technological experience.

"Lambert is a natural selection for the job," Bearden remarked. "He will continue to play a key role in development of more unique and advanced specialized training programs. He is keenly interested in new applications. Last year, for instance, he took a computer science course at A&M's Data Processing Center and studied transistor developments at Texas Instruments in Dallas."

Jonas joined Tees in 1951 as an instructor in the Supervisory Development Division. He became chief instructor a year later and held that post until he was named to develop the Institute of Electronic Science in 1963.

A 1938 electrical engineering graduate of Texas A&M, Lambert joined TEES in 1963 as an instructor after logging 25 years' service with the Air Force. He retired as a lieutenant colonel with experience in communications and electronics. In 1959-60, Lambert managed all communications and electronics operations for the U. S. in Korea, commanding a 750-man squadron.

Bearden said two new instructors will be added to the institute's teaching staff in the near future. The institute currently has a five-member staff.

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The book is one of six produced at A&M, which is developing educational institutions in East Pakistan through the International Programs Office. A short Bengali-English dictionary was published in 1962 and reprinted in 1966. Two texts and a book on dialects were written at A&M.

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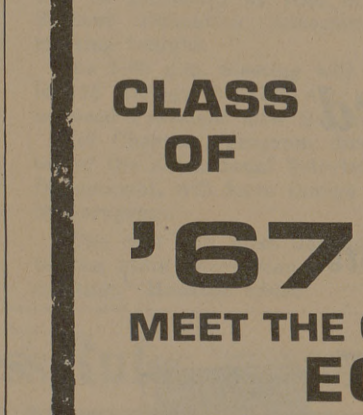
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