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# Philosophy Major By Fall

One of the youngest department heads at Texas A&M, Dr. Manuel M. Davenport, 38, took the reins of the fledgling Depart-

Bill Youngkin of Gilmer, a

junior agricultural education ma-

jor, will be head yell leader next

school year, Dean of Students

A 6-foot-1 cadet, Youngkin is

expected to apply a high degree

of enthusiasm and ability in the

Malon Southerland of the com-

mandant's office.

esponsible position, according to

Southerland chaired a commit-

tee Hannigan appointed to screen

applications and select the head

yell leader. Youngkin was one of

three yell leaders elected by the

junior class. The committee in-

cluded Bill Lancaster, assistant

director of the Memorial Student

Center; Neal Adams of Tyler,

this year's head yell leader; Patrick G. Rehmet of Alice, dep-

uty corps commander, and Reese

Brown of Tyler, Corps battalion

YOUNGKIN was the commit-

tee's unanimous choice," Souther-

land noted. "He was also the top

vote-getter among his class-

A 1965 Gilmer High graduate

who worked on his grandparents'

chicken farm, Bill is operations

sergeant on Second Brigade Staff

and active in other student areas.

As head yell leader, he will

work with juniors Robert Segner

of San Antonio and Barney Daw-

son of Wichita Falls and sopho-

mores David A. Hoelscher of

Alice and Gary Mauro of Dallas

in leading yells at athletic events,

have charge of two yell practices

a week during football season

and head the Tranksgiving Bon-

"Youngkin's bearing, obvious

high standards, moral character,

ability to express himself, his

view points and his ideas im-

pressed the committee," Souther-

Air Force ROTC cadets in New

York for the Arnold Air Society

conclave where A&M's Corps

Commander was honored heard

that service preparation must

cover various social-technological

fields in order to handle future

Air Force Lt. Gen. John W.

Carpenter III, Air University

commander, predicted probable "Cubas and Vietnams" for some

time to come in greater or lesser

The Maxwell AFB-based Air

University official keynoted the

20th national meeting of the so-

A&M Cadet Col. Lonnie C.

Minze of Houston was one of the

nation's top nine AFROTC cadets

honored by the Air Force Associ-

ation. He received the W. Ran-

dolph Lovelace Memorial Award

as the outstanding cadet in Re-

Other recipients were from

Boston, Mississippi State, Ohio

State, Michigan Tech, Michigan,

Southern Cal and Colorado State

Universities and Virginia Military

"In today's Air Force, we are

looking ahead to see that our of-

ficers are prepared to serve in

tomorrow's Air Force. These are

the men who must be able to plan,

acquire and operate the tools of

aerospace warfare," General Car-

fire construction.

assignments.

gion 6.

James P. Hannigan announced.

ment of Philosophy and Humani- on the first floor of the Academic ties last summer with the hopes of conferring doctoral degrees by

Tucked away in a small office

BILL YOUNGKIN

AS HEAD YELL leader, the

son of Mrs. Frances Taylor of

Gilmer will be at the center of

the "esprit de corps" for which

closely to help new civilian stu-

"Mauro and I will work very

The Distinguished Student

pointed out that the Corps is

smaller in relation to student

Town Hall, election commission,

former YMCA Fish Camper.

A&M is well known.

spirit.

Air University Chief Predicts

Youngkin Chosen

Head Yell Leader

Building, Davenport has been working closely with administration officials to establish an undergraduate major in philosophy by next fall and a master's degree program within four years.

"A&M is perhaps the only school of its size that offers no degrees in philosophy at all," the slim, soft-spoken Colorado native

"I WANTED this job for the challenge of building a new department. Things were just going too smoothly for me to stay on as associate professor of philosophy at Colorado State University," he explained.

When he became head of philosophy and humanities, Davenport actually inherited a "ghost department." Only books and office records were left; the last professor had already gone.

Now he has two new professors to share the teaching load and has had time to make some observations of the A&M student

"I'VE FOUND that students here are very similar to those I left at CSU in their backgrounds and attitudes, and just as enjoyable to teach," he said.

"The student body also seems to be more interested in philosophy than I expected, which strengthens my belief that the department has a tremendous growth potential."

Davenport leaned back in his chair and gazed thoughtfully at the line of bookshelves which double as his office wall, trying to recall his boyhood days in eastdents become a part of the 12th ern Colorado.

Man," Youngkin said. "The new "I suppose I really became instudent tends to be closer to his terested in philosophy," he said, "when I began reading Nietzsche high school than A&M. We have at 15. One book followed another several ideas that should help and I haven't finished reading him feel he's a part of the Aggie

HE RAN his fingers through his dark hair and laughed: "I really went to college just

"You see," he continued, "I "I don't think the 12th Man knew I could earn a living doing should get smaller," he declared. a number of things that didn't The outstanding sophomore of Company B-2, Youngkin is a

require a college degree. "I held several jobs while earnmember of the Ross Volunteers, ing my way through school and became pretty good at some of them. I worked as a stonemason, junior class secretary-treasurer, Collegiate FFA secretary and a motel clerk, ranch hand and beer truck driver, to name a few," he

> After he had graduated from Bethany Nazarene College in 1950 with a philosophy degree, Davenport said he continued driving his beer truck until one day a friend suggested he take a teaching job at a nearby one-room

"EVEN THOUGH I enjoyed my experience there as an elementary school teacher, I soon decided I'd rather teach on a higher level. I was afraid I'd start thinking like a fifth grader even when I wasn't teaching class," he quipped.

While completing his master's degree at Colorado College in 1953, Davenport became interested in the life and work of the philosopher - physician, Albert Schweitzer.

"I had always wondered," he said, "why Schweitzer, an avowed agnostic, would spend his life healing the sick in a remote hos-

Seven years later, when a Peace Corps research grant gave him the opportunity, Davenport called on Dr. Schweitzer at his hospital in Lambarene

THROUGHOUT his unforgettable two-week visit, Davenport was impressed by Schweitzer's relatively simple yet satisfying (See Davenport, Page 2)

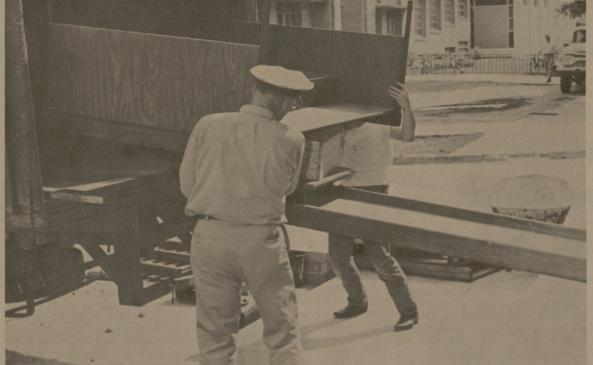
### Fish To Compete In TU Drill Meet

The national champion Fish Drill Team shoulders rifles Saturday for its first competition since winning the National Intercollegiate ROTC Drill title at Washington, D. C.

The freshmen, commanded by Sammy Garcia of San Antonio, will compete against 10 teams in the University of Texas meet at

Malon Southerland of the commandant's office, faculty advisor, said the fish expect to meet about the same units that marched in the annual A&M Invitational in March. A&M won the

## Davenport Hopes To Add SCONA To Consider U.S. Power Limits



BEFORE ...

Workmen remove parts of prefabricated library carrels from a van outside the new addition to Cushing Memorial Library. After sliding down the ramp, the heavy parts are moved to the already-completed section of the \$3.8 million addition. (Photo by Mike

### \$3.8 Million Library Addition Said 95 Per Cent Completed

The \$3.8 million addition to Cushing Memorial Library is 95 cent complete, reports harles E. Brunt, assistant manver of system physical plants. The addition, complete with

bookstacks and gleaming marble walls will furnish Cushing Library with 200,000 square feet of new floor space.

and fixture and furniture sup-

the building several times.

plies have delayed completion of

The completion date was once

Now, according to one of the

"This building will be a show-

The new addition also will

Squadron 2 of the Cadet Corps

will tour Bergstrom AFB Friday,

announced Col. Vernon L. Head,

professor of aerospace studies.

dets will make the one-day tour

by Air Force Maj. Duane E. Van-

denberg, a 1952 A&M graduate

who was stationed at Bergstrom

before reassignment to Southeast

Major Vandenberg presented

the unit a saber worn by a 1935

A&M graduate. The squadron,

commanded by Cadet Maj. Brian

E. Heckman of Humble, installed

the saber as the James Randolph

Oppenheim, who died in a

World War II prison camp, and

two Aggie flight commanders

have worn the saber, which will

be carried by the Squadron 2 com-

mander each year at Final Re-

Air Force Capt. Samuel J

Boles of the Aerospace Studies

Department said cadets and other

guests will view radar, weather.

photo and base operations facili-

ties at Bergstrom. The cadets

will receive a mission briefing,

observe a static display of F4Cs

and other aircraft, watch a fly-by

of F4s and have lunch at an offi-

cers club.

around 3 p.m.

Oppenheim Memorial.

Asia.

About 60 Air Force ROTC ca-

Squadron 2's visit was arranged

set for last December. Because

It will raise the stack capacity to more than one million volumes hundreds of mahogany-paneled in the Cushing Building.



. AND AFTER

Once the parts are inside, they are installed in place. Electronic learning aids, recently demonstrated at the Educational Television Department here, are to be added later. (Photo by Mike Wright)

### Morgenstern To Speak Tonight

political scientist, will lecture tonight at the Memorial Student

The former adviser at the White House during President Eisenhower's administration is to speak at 8 p.m. under sponsorship of the Graduate Lecture Series and the MSC Great Issues Com-

"Individual Decisions and Social Welfare" is the topic of the

Morgenstern, a Princeton University professor, has served on numerous committees assisting the United Nations and the

A native of Goerlitz, Silesia, in a Polish province, Morgenstern earned a doctor's degree in political science in 1925 at the University of Vienna. He also has honorary doctorates from Mannheim and Basel.

After nine years on the Vienna University faculty, Morgenstern joined Princeton. He became a naturalized American citizen in

The 66-year old political scientist is co-editor of a national economics publication in Vienna. Before coming to the United States, he served 10 years as the publication's managing editor.

Dr. Morgenstern is board chairman of Mathematics in Princeton, N. J., and a trustee of the Institute of Advanced Studies in

#### Silver Taps Held For Stockhoff

held Tuesday for John Alvin Stockhoff, freshman pre-medical student from Greenville, whose body was found in his Dormitory 20 room last Tues-

The 19-year-old freshman had last been seen April 4. He was a Distinguished Student during his first semester here.

P. Boyett, Jr. returned a verdict of suicide last week following an autopsy.

#### \$11,000 Netted In Fund Drive, Reports Show By BOB PALMER Battalion Staff Writer

Topic for the 14th Student Conference on National Affairs will be "The Limits and Responsibilities of American Power," SCONA Chairman Don McCrory revealed Tuesday.

"The topic is aimed at the two major questions facing the American public," McCrory said. "It deals with both the international aspect - what are the limits of our power - and the national one - can we afford it?"

The Dec. 4-7 conference is already off on a sound economical footing as a result of the Easter fund drive, McCrory said.

Finance Committee Chairman Bill Howell estimated the drive netted more than \$11,000, more than any previous Easter drive.

THE FINAL results are still being tabulated from the drive, but both Howell and McCrory said the drive went "extremely

The total budget for SCONA XIV is \$18,500. Howell was optimistic about collecting the balance in the June fund drive.

Howell listed as the major causes for the success of the fund drive the "organization of SCONA XIII" and the enthusiasm of new contact.

Howell also indicated that the topic for the coming SCONA also generated interest.

"We want to explore the rightness or wrongness of U.S. involvement on its present large

scale," McCrory said.
"CAN WE BE policemen to

the world?" McCrory asked. The chairman also said that the conference will explore how the country managed to get to its construction inspectors, May 1 is present position from its isolathe target date to begin filling tionism of the pre-World War II

"We also want to examine our military programs around the world, our alliances and the cost of our military commitment verhouse a separate room with fasus American interests at home." cilities for electronic learning

The conference will look into the country's stake in the world's economy and the limits on the power of the dollar.

McCrory said the question "How much can we spend in both money and men's lives?" will be put to the conference. The question of cost of our commitments to the country will be one of the

main issues of the meeting. "In the end we hope to come up with some sort of projection of America's foreign diplomacy in the coming decade," McCrory

### **Ross Volunteers** To Be Featured In Fiesta Parade

The Ross Volunteers will serve as honor guard for San Antonio's "Battle of Flowers" queen in the Fiesta Flambeau parade April 27.

The night-time parade is one of the most popular events of the annual San Antonio celebration.

Francis J. Bourgeois, RV commander, of New Braunfels, said the entire 105-cadet company will

"The RVs will be split into platoons and the staff to precede each of four floats carrying the queen and her court," Bourgeois said. The long, downtown San Antonio parade usually concludes after midnight.

Ross Volunteer platoon leaders are James R. Thompson of Alice; Carl V. Feducia, Shreveport, and John R. Baldridge, Bossier City,

The Alamo City appearance will be the RV's second of the school year. The company's distinctive white uniforms also were seen in the King Rex parade in New Orleans' Mardi Gras.



"The officer must not only be a highly qualified, professional military technologist, but he must also understand the complicated world in which we live," he continued. "Along with the military element, he must understand the interplay of the other aspects of

> University National Bank "On the side of Texas A&M.

national power . . . the political,

'More Cubas, Vietnams' For U.S. tific-technological factors that have an impact on the recommendations or the decisions he

will be making." Carpenter, who made the commissioning address here last spring, indicated international affairs are more complex with former tenets of foreign policy no longer applying.

### **Regulations Will** Be Enforced At Thursday Election

Sophomores will elect a class president tomorrow, with voting booths in the Memorial Student Center open from 8 a.m. until

Election Commission Chairman Tony Benedetto said that the election will be conducted in accordance with current University Regulations. Anyone wishing to vote must wear shoes and socks.

"No literature containing any candidate's name will be allowed to be circulated in the MSC or within 50 yards of the MSC on Thursday. This will be interpreted to mean the passing of any number (one or more) between persons," Benedetto explained.

Violation of this regulation will result in forfeiture of voting privileges and possible removal of a candidate's name from the bal-

Candidates names on the ballot are John MacGillis, Robert L. Bowling, John Gingrich, Albert J. Reinert, John C. Otto, John P. Maline, Allen D. Janacek, and Collier R. Watson.

Benedetto said both activity and identification cards would be required to vote.

On 'Decisions, Social Welfare'

Dr. Oskar Morgenstern, a noted Center Ballroom.

public-free lecture.

League of Nations.

Silver Taps ceremonies were

Justice of the Peace Alton