

Texas A&M freshmen, normally called "fish," will be guinea pigs this summer for the state's first fully automated college or university registration system.

If the technique checks out during summer conferences for new fall students, noted Registrar H. L. Heaton, it will be installed for all regular semesters, beginning at mid-term.

One of the more obvious advantages of automated registration, Heaton pointed out, is elimination of long lines for students signing for courses each semester.

The system actually eliminates the standard two-day registration period, he added, substituting pre-registration in which a student enrolls at his convenience during a six-week period the preceding semester.

"A STUDENT could conceivably be anywhere in the country Sunday, the day before the semester starts, and be in class Monday," Heaton observed.

Associate Dean Charles Pinnell, who organized computer aspects of the program said the

most significant advantage of the new system is its emphasis on faculty counseling.

"Students will have to meet face-to-face with their advisers to devise their schedules for the next semester," Dr. Pinnell stressed.

"This automated system will come nearer than any other method of assuring the student he gets the courses he needs — when he needs them," he added.

A&M's IBM 360/65 computer will be programmed to keep a running account of the number

of students enrolling in each course and divide them equally among the individual classes planned for the course.

"Every student will thus have an equal opportunity for placement in one of the choice time slots, whether he registers first or last," Dr. Pinnell said. The system also will allow the administration to add more classes in advance if the number of students requesting a particular course exceeds expectations.

THE COMPUTER will "build" a schedule for each student on

the basis of data compiled during the student-counselor conference, Dr. Pinnell explained, and then figure all the financial considerations — room and board, tuition, lab fees and such variables as credit for scholarships.

An itemized fee statement is forwarded to the student, who returns his remittance and is promptly provided his class schedule for the next semester.

A&M began planning its automated registration system two years ago and patterned it after a similar program at Purdue.



DR. SPOCK AND WIFE LEAVE COURT
Dr. Benjamin Spock and his wife leave Federal Court in Boston at completion of the first day of his trial on charges of counseling American youth to avoid the draft. A twelve-man jury was picked to hear the charges against the famous baby doctor and four others including Yale Chaplain William Coffin, Jr. (AP Wirephoto)

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May 27, Monday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting TTh8F1
May 27, Monday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWF11
May 28, Tuesday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting MWF12
May 28, Tuesday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWF9
May 29, Wednesday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting M3TTh10
May 29, Wednesday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting TF2 or TWF3 or TThF3
May 30, Thursday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting MWF10
May 30, Thursday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting TTh12
May 31, Friday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting M4TTh11
May 31, Friday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting MWTh1
June 1, Saturday	8-11 a.m.	Classes meeting TTh9F2
June 1, Saturday	1-4 p.m.	Classes meeting TF1

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Final Examination for the Doctoral Degree:
Name: Wagner, Donald Edward
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Dissertation: Optimum Packaging Design and Component Sparring Policies for Extended Manned Space Missions.
Time: Wednesday, May 29, 1968 at 1:00 p.m.
Place: Room 204, Engineering Building
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At 8:00 a.m. Thursday, May 23, 1968, there will be posted in the foyer of the Richard Coke Building a list of those candidates who have completed all academic requirements for degrees to be conferred on May 25, 1968. Each candidate is urged to consult this list to determine his status. 8801f

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Nobody set a speed record speaking up in response to his query.

Jones, principal instructor for a two-day school explaining use of scientific aids in controlling civil disturbances, pulled a pin on the smoke bomb container and a brisk southerly breeze whipped smoke onto a dozen volunteers.

Seconds later, the lawmen were racing for clear air. Jones smiled sympathetically.

"If you get a whiff of this stuff," he explained, "you lose all respect for your fellow man. Your only thought is to get out of it. I've been in it about 35 times and still can't stay."

"When officers use this to disperse unruly crowds," Jones continued, "they had better leave an avenue of escape for the people or they will trample each other trying to get out."

The school, which ended Tuesday at A&M's Research Annex five miles west of Bryan, was hosted by the Police Training Division of A&M's Engineering Extension Service.

Ira Scott, police training coordinator for A&M, said the school marks a first at Aggieldand. "We have had some gas demon-

strations in extension schools at Howard County Junior College at Big Spring," he recalled, "but this is the first time most of the officers here had been subjected to use of gases. It opened a lot of eyes and unveiled some possible problems which might develop in actual confrontation with a mob."

"Changing of wind currents may turn the tables on law officers trying to break up a mob," Scott confided. "Also, rioters might pick up a smoke bomb and throw it back at the lawmen."

Use of MACE, a non-lethal mob deterrent, drew keen interest from law enforcement officers from virtually every area of the state. One volunteer who had been daubed with a minute amount of the fluid smiled through tears and commented: "It's like a Mexican plate lunch or an acre of garlic."

Jones, former FBI agent with 30 years experience in law enforcement, said MACE was used quite effectively last year in riot control at Berkeley, Calif.

"The federal government is doing a lot of research right now on riot control chemicals," he remarked. "Soap machines, bubble machines, instant banana peels and high frequency radio waves are just a few of the deterrents being studied."

Jones travels throughout the nation to demonstrate use of riot control equipment and supplies for the George F. Cake Company of Berkeley.