

Welch Quits Good Business To Take Up Vet Profession

Don't call Guy Welch a quitter. Welch, 26-year-old son of Houston Mayor and Mrs. Louie Welch, quit a profitable profession in real estate 17 months ago to pursue our ambition of becoming a veterinarian. His dream was realized this week at Texas A&M when he was officially admitted to the College of Veterinary Medicine.

"It was one of the happiest days of my life when I opened that letter from Dean (Alvin A.) Price," Welch grinned. "I know I've got three years of hard work staring me in the face, but I'm ready to get after it."

"em if I expected to get into vet school."

Apparently, the stockily-built Houstonian has come out ahead in his warfare with chemistry and physics. Registrar's records reflect a 2.7 grade point ratio for his work at AggieLand. A 3.0 is a straight "A."

"Veterinary medicine is an exciting and changing profession,"

Cub Den Mothers Ask For Workers

Why would a man give up his own real estate business to go into a profession which is not likely to be as remunerative financially?

"I hated what I was doing," Welch fired back. "No doubt about it. I just wasn't suited for what I was doing. So I talked with my wife, Robbie (the former Robbie Boggess of Frnioa), and she agreed that we needed to do something else."

Mrs. Welch is a fifth grade teacher at A&M Consolidated. The Welch's have two children, Lisa, 4, and Mitchell, 2.

"I'd been thinking about trying to be a vet for almost two years," the Dallas native recalled. "And I'd been fooling around with horses in Houston for a long time. Finally, I realized that as a vet I could make a good living and do something I'd like to do at the same time."

Welch wound up work for a bachelor's degree in business administration last June at A&M, but chose to pick up his sheepskin at Abilene Christian College, where he played two years at half-back and fullback for the Wildcats.

Tactfully, he asked that he not be built up as a gridiron hero.

"I've never felt scientifically inclined, but I've always loved animals," Welch said. "Too, I dreaded the prospects of taking chemistry and physics. Let's face it, I was lazy. But, eventually, I faced the fact that I'd have to hit those books and keep hitting

Bryan-College Station Cub Scout den mothers will tell it like it is on KBTX-TV's "Town Talk" at 3:30 p.m. Friday.

K. A. Manning, chairman of the executive committee for Cub Scout Pack 802 in College Station, said four current den mothers will appear on the television program hosted by Mrs. Fern Hamman as part of a recruiting drive for next fall.

Participating in the program will be Mrs. Edna Pruitt and Mrs. Connie Haas, representing the College Station Cubs, and Mrs. Mildred Hendrix and Mrs. Nancy Mireles, representing Bryan.

Manning said each of the women has several years of experience as a den mother.

"We hope to get across to prospective den mothers that while such an undertaking does require some work, it also is fun and is a rewarding experience," he noted.

Den mothers, Manning emphasized, receive considerable help in planning and conducting their meetings. He said monthly theme programs are provided to each of the mothers by Cub Scout headquarters.

Every attempt is made to provide an assistant den mother to help with the meetings, Manning added.

Den mothers are essential if we are to have a Cub Scout program," he stressed.

Manning urged all mothers of Cub Scouts to see the Friday program and contact him if they would be willing to serve as a den mother or an assistant next fall.

Welch commented. "In the future, a person will have to have an acute awareness in technical advances in prevention and cure of animal diseases for the good of the animal world and the human population alike."

"One big thing has impressed me about A&M," Welch disclosed. "That's the open-door policy by most of the professors. If a student wants help and asks for it, he usually gets it. I detest students who sit in class, don't take notes, don't contribute anything to the class, fidget around like a man holding a hot coal waiting for the bell to ring, then go around bad-mouthing the prof for doing a lousy teaching job."

Welch maintains a friendly rapport with his "Teasip" twin brother, Gary, who graduates June 3 from the University of Texas Dental School in Houston.

"We kid each other a lot, but get along fine," Welch admitted.

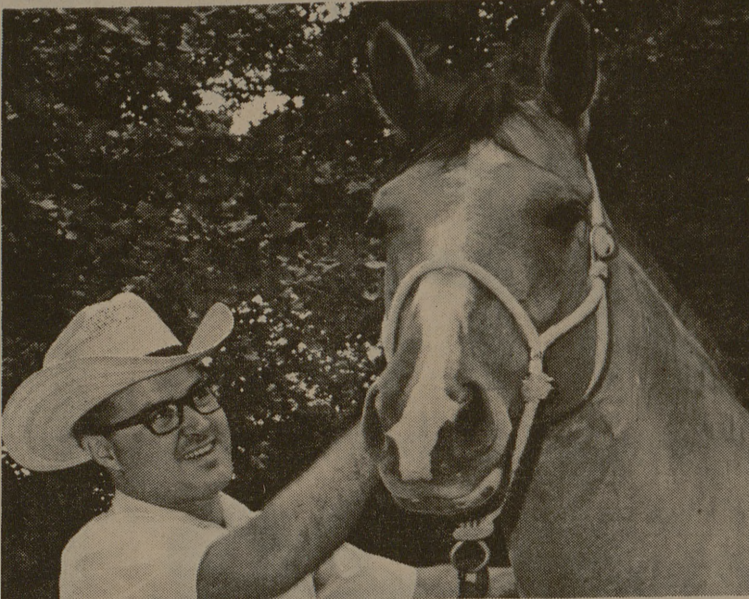
A hater of Aggie jokes, Welch has become an ardent fan of A&M athletics, especially since he "chews the fat" regularly after church with A&M Athletic Director Gene Stallings.

"When people start to tell me an Aggie joke," Welch said "I just ask them if they have read the new book: 'How to Win the Cotton Bowl,' written this year by 35 A&M football players."

Welch's interest in being a veterinarian doesn't end in the classroom. He lives and breathes it. After hunting unsuccessfully for a ranch job this summer, he accepted employment with a meat packing company in Friona to gain working experience with large animals.

When Welch completes vet school, he plans to establish a clinic of his own in the Southwest.

Sea creatures are extremely adept at extracting chemicals from the ocean. The element vanadium was not known to exist in sea water until it was discovered in the blood of tunicates and sea cucumbers. Iodine is rather scarce in ocean water, but seaweeds contain vast amounts of it.



BRUSHING UP
Guy Welch gives "Annie" a happy brush off after being accepted in Texas A&M's College of Veterinary Medicine. Welch will begin a three-year study program this fall with the aim of becoming a veterinarian in the Southwest.

Enrollment Hits 166 At Junction

Texas A&M's summer adjunct at Junction registered 166 students, according to Dr. W. J. Dobson, director.

Courses in biology, geology, civil engineering, English, history and physical education are offered during the first of two six-week summer terms.

A 14-man staff Dobson heads includes Dr. Robert D. Turpin of A&M's Civil Engineering Depart-

ment; Dr. Karl Koenig, geology; Louis F. Hauer and H. S. Cresswell, English; Dr. Victor H. Treat and Larry D. Hill, history; Paul M. Andrews, Dr. Donald J. Merki and Dr. John M. Chevrette, health and physical education.

Students get classwork, study and recreation through an organized inter-cabin intramural program along with swimming, canoeing and fishing.

Cochran To Take National Office

Dr. Robert G. Cochran, Nuclear Engineering Department head at Texas A&M, is president-elect of the 6,000-member American Nuclear Society's Educational Division.

Cochran will take office Saturday during the ANS meeting in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

"The education division has strong industrial leadership since every person working in industry has an important stake in the future of education," Cochran said. "This is especially true because the strength of the universities provide assurance of the quality of their associates and employees."

Cochran pointed out participation in the Educational Division with its activities in curricula and industrial-university relations is one mode of helping that future.

Among Cochran's tasks are scheduling and arranging presentation of professional papers in the nuclear field, assisting in the formulation of professional relationships among members, and promotion of cooperation with other scientific and professional groups having similar objectives.

Cochran, Indiana and Pennsylvania State graduate, is a member of the nuclear science and engineering fellowship board of Oak Ridge Associated Universities.

Head of A&M's Nuclear Engineering Department since 1959, Cochran has been a technical consultant for "start ups" of more than a dozen research reactor facilities in the United States.

Minor Injuries Result Of Fire

A flash fire Wednesday in a Texas A&M biochemistry laboratory caused minor injuries to a graduate student from India.

Jagat Singh, from Mansurpur, India, reportedly received singed hair on the arms as the result of a 10:15 a.m. blaze in the Herman Heep Building.

The fire, of undetermined origin, was quickly extinguished.

The attending physician at the university hospital was not immediately available for comment.

Dr. J. W. Dieckert, associate professor of biochemistry and physics, said the blaze started when a portion of petroleum ether ignited.

Extent of property damage was not known. Dieckert said the fire caused "some" damage to laboratory woodwork.

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