

Price Announces Department Heads

Appointment of two new department heads has been announced by Dr. A. A. Price, dean of Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine.

Dr. R. R. Bell has been named professor and head of veterinary parasitology, effective September 1. He was graduated by the University of Georgia in 1952 with the D.V.M. degree. He received the M.S. degree in 1955 at Texas A&M and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1968.

Bell has taught and been engaged in research at North Carolina State College and Texas A&M. He has been elected to the honor societies of Sigma Xi, Alpha Zeta, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Zeta, and Phi Eta Sigma.

He is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Brazos Valley Veterinary Medical Association, Animal Disease Research Workers Association, and the American

Association of Veterinary parasitologists.

Bell has been a program participant and speaker at the meetings of many technical societies, both state and national, and is author or co-author of 20 technical publications. He succeeds Dr. R. D. Turk who served as department head for many years prior to retirement.

Dr. Raymond F. Sis of the Department of Veterinary Anatomy has been named to head the department, effective October 1 when Dr. John H. Milliff will retire.

Sis joined the faculty of the College of Veterinary Medicine in 1966. He has received two B.S. degrees from Kansas State University and the D.V.M. degree in 1957. He earned the M.S. degree in 1962 and the Ph.D. degree in 1965, both at Iowa State University.

Sis has received many honors and awards, being a member of various livestock judging teams, recipient of the AVMA Auxiliary Award in 1957, a Distinguished ROTC graduate, and received the Air Defense Command Commendation for Meritorious service as staff veterinarian of the 37th Air Division.

He holds membership in several professional societies, including the American Veterinary Medical Association, Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Brazos Valley Veterinary Medical Association, American Animal Hospital Association, American Association of Veterinary Clinicians, American Association of Veterinary Anatomists, and the World Association of Veterinary Anatomists.

Dr. Sis has published 11 technical articles, has two papers in preparation and is working on an anatomy and surgery text.



GENERAL VIEWS TRAINING
Brig. Gen. Joe G. Hanover, commander of the 420th Engineer Brigade, watches soldiers of the unit's firefighting platoon move in to douse an oil tank fire on Brayton Training Field at Texas A&M. Personnel of the 463rd Engineer Platoon of Huntsville conclude two weeks of training Friday with the firemen's training division of the Texas Engineering Extension Service.

Purswell Serving With Reservists

Major Roddin Purswell, graduate assistant in education at Texas A&M, is currently serving on active duty with the 4151st Houston Army Reserve School at Fort Benning, Ga. He is an instructor with the school whose mission is to teach officer career courses as part of the National Military Preparedness Program.

Purswell, Texas A&M graduate, is working on his doctorate at the University.

The major, his wife and daughter Robbin reside at 2311 Oxford in Bryan.

NSF Awards \$25,000 Grant For Research In Limestone

Texas A&M research of how limestone becomes rock has been granted \$25,000 National Science Foundation support.

Dr. Richard Rezak of the Oceanography Department will head the two-year investigation that may benefit submarine construction, the oil industry, geology and other fields.

Laboratory study of marine algae that secrete various kinds of lime and the possible artificial

creation of cemented limestone will be principal avenues of attack, according to Rezak, a marine geologist formerly with the U. S. Geological Survey in Denver and Shell Development Corp. of Houston.

The associate professor said several kinds of algae will be grown in the lab. Skeletons will be analyzed mineralogically and organically to determine the cause of lime secretions.

"From there, we will go to experiments with loose carbonate sediments to see if artificial limestone can be created," he added.

Dr. Rezak, graduate of Syracuse and Washington (St. Louis) Universities, said the secrets of limestone formation could yield ways of stabilizing bottoms for submarine construction and the creation and destruction of porosity.

"Oil reservoirs are formed in porous rock, which allows oil to pool," he noted. "Nearby may be tightly cemented limestone. If we can determine how and why cementation of the calcium carbonate compound takes place, it would be possible to predict the location of oil-bearing strata more precisely."

Algae for the research project will be collected in the Florida keys, Rezak said. He was on a recent cruise of the Alaminos, A&M's research ship, which spent six days in the Dry Tortugas for collection of culture specimens.

The professor said a graduate student will join the project in September.

The lowest body of water in the Western Hemisphere, Badwater pool, lies 280 feet below sea level in Death Valley, Calif.

Dorms Operating As 'Hotels' For Numerous Campus Visitors

An instructional pause at Texas A&M will be difficult to discern this week.

Summer session students wrote their last finals Friday afternoon and regular course work will not resume until Sept. 16, first day of fall semester classes.

But meeting rooms and dormitories will remain busy.

Housing director Allen Madeley said two halls are operating on a "hotel" basis for students who have to be on campus and three others will be in use this week by off-campus university personnel here for the Agricultural Extension Service State Conference. Other dorms are closed.

In addition, the sixth Naval Research Seminar and Police Community Relations Institute are under way with about 150 participants involved.

TAES Assistant Director V. G. Young said about 725 persons will reside in Dorms 14, 15 and

16 through Friday.

"This is our total field staff," Young noted. "With personnel on campus, about 850 will be involved in the conference which is held every two years."

Madeley indicated "40 to 50, maybe more, are residing in Dorms 17 and 22 between the summer and fall semesters. These are international students, a fellow may only be here three or four days before he goes on an oceanography cruise, or a student just staying overnight to see his dean."

He noted that part of the off-season dormitory residents are Billy Pickard's trainers who are preparing for the start of varsity football practice this week.

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Army Reservists Douse Fires Here

U. S. Army Reservists of the 420th Engineer Brigade doused a variety of fires last Thursday at Texas A&M's Brayton Firemen's Training Field to demonstrate skills acquired in two weeks of training for Brig. Gen. Joe G. Hanover.

House, propane and oil tank fires fell before the 23 citizen-soldiers' attack.

Two weeks ago, only one of the two dozen knew anything about fire fighting. Until last Monday, the same number had never handled a "live" (water-pressured) line.


Personnel of the Firemen Training Division of the Texas Engineering Extension Service conducted the special school for the 463rd Engineer Platoon (fire-fighting) of Huntsville.

Through efforts of Chief Henry D. Smith, John R. Rauch, James R. Dobson, Tom Robinson and W. B. Dorman of the division, the soldiers will be MOS (military occupational specialty) qualified Friday.

"We have aspired to accomplish this sort of training over several years in the past," stated General Hanover, 420th commander of Bryan.


"What has been accomplished in these two weeks will be far reaching as far as the military reserves go. The technical training given these men in two weeks had not been done over a period of years previously," the brigade commander added.

"I look forward to similar training for our new people in the future," he went on.



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Roemer Wins \$1,000 Post-Grad Scholarship

Lamar B. Roemer of Houston will enter Texas A&M this fall for graduate study in oceanography under a \$1,000 NCAA Post-graduate Scholarship.

An outstanding student and tennis player at Trinity University in San Antonio, Roemer will study for master and doctoral degrees at A&M.

He will join Randy Matson. The world record-setting shotput-ter is studying for a master's degree in business under an NCAA postgraduate scholarship.

Roemer received his bachelor degree in mathematics at Trinity last spring. He was an outstanding student and played in the number two spot on Trinity's nationally prominent tennis team coached by Clarence Mabry.

The blond, 6-foot-6 student was the state Class 4A singles champion while playing at Lamar High in Houston. The 1964 Lamar graduate is the son of D. A. Roemer, 4049 Overbrook, Houston.

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