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MISS AMERICA CONTESTANTS

These fifty beauties, from every state in the union, have will be crowned after week-long competition. (AP Wireheir eyes set on the coveted Miss America crown, in the photo) mual contest at Atlantic City, New Jersey. The winner

NFU Leader Board Backs Amendments To Speak At On Investment, Retirement Luncheon Here

Texas Constitutional Amendents No. 3 and 9 have received he formal support of the Texas f Directors.

would permit broadening of the investments of the University Permanent Fund, in which The A&M University System Board Texas A&M University System and The University of Texas Sys-Passage of Amendment No. 3 tem share.

HEW Officials To Address Church Conference Here March."

A Department of Health, Eduation, and Welfare official will be the lead-off speaker for the 23rd annual Town and Country Church Conference here Oct. 10-

He is Dr. Edward W. Brice, confidential assistant secretary or education in HEW. His topic "The Music by Which They

Hirst To Lecture **Graduate Students** Dr. James M. Hirst of Harpenen, Herts, England, will deliver on the theme "Where Is the Ac-

cator, and author of eight books gives him a unique insight into the problems and opportunities of today," Brown said. The Extension sociologist said this year's program, centering

RUSSIAN ACROBATICS

Russian soldiers applaud stunt performed by one of their

ompatrios during a song and dance meeting in park in

Prague, Czechoslovakia. (AP Wirephoto by cable from

tem of Texas.

the Texas Legislature to improve retirement benefits for members of the Teacher Retirement Sys-The board's resolution endorsing a vote for Amendment No. 3

Amendment No. 9 would permit

pointed out the cost of constructing and equipping all buildings and other permanent improvements for the various divisions of The Texas A&M University System must be financed from a share of the income of the Permanent Fund.

Board members emphasized a policy of investing "more broadly in high grade securities would provide more adequate income to the Permanent Fund for these important public needs."

Turning to Amendment No. 9, the board members stated in the resolution that the present retirement plan is inadequate for the needs of retired teachers and the luncheon affair. other employees.

They observed that retirement benefits are an essential part is an important time for farmers of the compensation plan for at- to hear a great national farm

National Farmers Union President Tony T. Dechant will address a "shirt sleeve" luncheon sponsored by Brazos Valley Growers Association at the Ramada Inn here at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday.

Basil Abate of Bremond, president of the Brazos Valley Growers Assn., has extended an invitation to directors and members to join Mr. Dechant for an informal steak luncheon and visit with the national farm leader. Abate has announced that because some farmers are busy with cotton harvest, they will be expected to "come from the fields dressed as they are."

Brazos Valley Growers Assn. is composed of members who farm and ranch in the Brazos River bottom from Marlin to Navasota. It is an affiliate of Texas Farmers Union. Farmers from Falls, Robertson, Brazos, Milam and Burleson counties are expected at

In extending the invitation to the luncheon, Abate said, "This

343 Fish To Attend Annual YMCA Camp

One of the largest groups of is used to orient students on new students ever assembled for Fish Camp will depart Texas A&M Saturday for the Methodist Assembly Grounds, near Palestine.

The camp is sponsored by the YMCA here. J. Gordon Gay reports 343 freshmen will attend the 15th annual gathering designed "to acquaint new students with many things they will not learn as a general rule on campus."

Gay, YMCA secretary, pointed out this group is the second largest group to participate and is 90 more students than last year.

Fish Camp, increasingly popular with new students each year,

Aggie Copter Pilot Gets Air Medal For Viet Service

A Texas Aggie has received the Air Medal for combat aerial support of ground operations in Vietnam.

Friends here learned this week that the award went to Army Warrant Officer Frank O. Riggs in ceremonies near Quang Tri, Vietnam.

A helicopter pilot in Battery A, Second Battalion of the First Air Cavalry Division's 20th Artillery, Riggs entered the Army in December, 1966. He completed basic training at Fort Polk, La., and was last stationed at Fort Rucker, Ala., before arriving overseas last April.

The 24-year-old warrant officer graduated in 1961 from Starke Military School in Montgomery, Ala., and then attended Texas A&M.

Mrs. Riggs resided in Autaugaville, Ala.

Housing Sought

Housing Officials here are seeking the assistance of local residents in providing rooms and apartments for students this fall.

"In view of an expected record enrollment, the need for listing of apartments and permanent rooms is considerable." noted Allen Madeley, A&M housing manager.

Madeley requested that anyone interested in listing such

college life and A&M customs. Students find answers to such questions of "Why attend college" and "The value of study."

"Camp is that 'little extra' ingredient that gets these students started," said Gay. "I consider it one of the outstanding events in the life of a freshman. Not

only does it offer contact with upperclassmen and faculty, but it serves as a basis for lasting friendships."

Gay proudly points to students -now serving in key campus roles-who received their start in Fish Camp.

Students will travel by bus, returning Tuesday.

Board Of Directors To Tour A&M System Field Stations

The Texas A&M University System Board of Directors will visit seven system field stations in West Texas next week following a business meeting at Tarle-

ton State College in Stephenville. A&M President Earl Rudder, who will accompany board members on the three-day trip, said the agenda includes stops at Fort Worth, Throckmorton, Spur, Lubbock. El Paso, Pecos and Sonora, Board members begin the West

Texas tour with an 11 a.m. meeting Monday at the Tarleton Student Center and an afternoon tour of the Tarleton Experiment Sta-

tion and Poultry Disease Laboratory After overnighting in Fort Worth, the group will visit the Texas Experimental Ranch at

RecordEnrollment **For Vet School Expected By Price**

Students enrolled in the professional program of the College of Veterinary Medicine register for the fall trimester at 8 a.m. Saturday, announced Dean Alvin A. Price.

Dean Price said he expects record enrollment for the College of Veterinary Medicine, with 128 students signing for first-year classes, 128 for second year and 121 for third year.

Registration will be held in the Veterinary Medicine Sciences Building.

Veterinary medicine classes begin at 8 a.m. Monday.

Remainder of the A&M students, including those majoring in pre-veterinary medicine, register Sept. 11-13 and begin classes Sept. 16.

The College of Veterinary Medicine is the university's only

enroute at the Pitchfork Ranch near Guthrie for lunch. Board members will arrive at Lubbock Tuesday afternoon in time for a field day at the A&M Agricultural Research and Ex-

Throckmorton and then proceed

to the A&M Agricultural Re-

search Station at Spur, stopping

tension Center. They also will visit the Plains Cotton Cooperative Association and attend a reception and dinner hosted by Lubbock civic leaders.

Wednesday morning the group will inspect A&M's Agricultural Research Station at El Paso and conclude the trip with visits to the Pecos and Sonora Research Stations.

Board members will utilize personal aircraft during the tour, Rudder noted.

In addition to Rudder, university officials accompanying the board include Agricultural Dean H. O. Kunkel, Associate Deans John E. Hutchison and L. S. Pope, and Robert G. Cherry, board secretary.

Rudder pointed out the board made a similar tour of South and East Texas facilities earlier this year.

Australian Prof Guest Lecturer At Engineers Meeting

Dr. De Vahl Davis, associate professor of mechanical engineering at the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia, was presented as guest lecturer Tuesday by the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

Subject of the presentation was "Natural Convection in Cavities." Analysis of the motion of a fluid in an enclosed or open cavity by tions of motion and energy was discussed. Several types of cavities were considered. Texas A&M is one of several universities where Davis is exchanging ideas with engineering educators during his visit in the United States. His itinerary also includes participation in several conferences.

Graduate College lecture here tion?" will allow a maximum luesday

Dr. Hirst, head of the Department of Plant Pathology at the Rothamstead Experiment Station n England, will speak on "The Epidemiology of Airborne Diseases." His lecture is set for 4 p.m. in the Plant Sciences Build-

A pioneer in epidemiology and aerobiology, Dr. Hirst is visiting in the United States as a lecturer turing the 1968 Phytopathology meetings this week at Ohio State.

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amount of time for group discussions. More than 200 ministers and lav leaders from rural areas and smaller towns are expected to

Reagan Brown, general chair-

man of the conference and Ex-

tension Service sociologist at

A&M, said Brice is one of the

nation's most decorated U.S. civ-

"His rich background of ex-

perience as college president,

high embassy official, adult edu-

il servants, with 18 awards.

The conference is sponsored by conducted by the A&M Department of Agricultural Economics

teachers and other employees, attend the non-denominational

the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and is

meetings, he said.

adding that a better plan would permit the state's colleges and universities to compete more effectively in the employment of scientists and other employees.

and Sociology.

Improved engineering instruction in the Southwest is the objective of a four-day institute this week at Texas A&M. Forty selected participants

from engineering schools in Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico are attending the effective engineering teaching institute sponsored by the education research and methods division of the American Society for Engineering Education and A&M.

Dr. Roy Hann of A&M heads the Tuesday through Friday program.

"This Gulf-Southwest region institute is part of a national program by the engineering education profession for upgrading the quality of teaching," the civil engineering professor said.

Conduct of the institute involves Engineering Deans Fred Benson of A&M and John J. McKetta of Texas.

Special speakers include Lester Harrell, associate director, Center for Research in Higher Education, and H. Paul Kelly, testing center director, Texas; Ed Kraybill, dean of undergraduate instruction, College of Engineering, Duke; and Larry P. Grayson, chairman of ASEE's educational resources and methods division.

Bryan Building & Loan Association, Your Sav-



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tracting and holding competent leader who has done so much to improve cotton producers income in the Brazos River bottom.' Dechant is expected to talk about farm policy and future legislation involving cotton, grain sorghum outstanding teachers, researchers, and other crops produced in Central Texas.

Selected Engineering Students Meet For Four-Day Institute

Assisting are engineering professors of A&M and Texas and Norman Godwin of A&M's Educational Television Department. Sessions are in the Ramada Inn and various engineering col-

lege facilities.

Foreign Students To Be Briefed

Foreign students enrolling here for the first time this fall begin a comprehensive orientation program Friday, announced Robert L. Melcher, foreign student adviser.

Melcher said he expects approximately 140 new international students this fall, a record.

He noted, however, that only 113 will be participating in the full orientation program. Foreign students who have attended other U. S. schools, he explained, are not required to participate in the full briefing session.

Orientation continues next week, with all new international students registering for classes at 12:45 p.m. Sept. 12.

Melcher said the new students will be briefed on university policies and regulations, given tours of the Memorial Student Cent Cushing Library and other campus facilities and meet with their respective deans and department heads.

facilities call the Housing Of-fice (845-4741) during regular division operating on the trimesoffice hours. ter basis.

Rotary To Help Belgian Student Here

A Belgium foreign student in the United States to study agricultural techniques here has been given \$1,560 from Rotary International to help finance his studies.

Jean-Francois Ledent of Leuven, Belgium, working on his master's degree, received the check from Bryan Rotary Club member John Hill, personnel insurance and safety director here. Hill also will serve as Ledent's local university sponsor

Also present for the presentation held in the university's Administration Building were local Rotarians Henry Alsmeyer Sr., and J. W. Kornegay.

Ledent, a Rotary Foundation Graduate Fellow, will use the funds for language training plus first year living and school expenses. He was initially sponsored by his hometown Rotary Club in Soignies, Belgium.

A graduate of Catholic University of Leuven, Ledent will continue studies in the soil and crop sciences department with major emphasis on forage and pasture.

Davis is an engineering graduate of the University of Sydney. He received his doctorate from Cambridge.

He was introduced by Dr. Charles F. Kettleborough, distinguished professor of mechanical engineering here and formerly Chair of Mechanical Engineering professor at the university of New South Wales.

University National Bank 'On the side of Texas A&M. -Adv.



FIGHTING WHILE SINKING

As stern of this U.S. Navy landing craft goes under water, GI's of U.S. 9th Infantry Division fire back at Viet Cong force hiding nearby on canal bank in Mekong Delta. (U. S. Navy photo via AP Wirephoto)