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John Strom, G-1 freshman from Dallas, has Corps brass pinned on by Corps Commander Hector Gutierrez during All University Night. The ceremony symbolized the welcoming of the Class of 1972 into the Cadet Corps. (Photo by Mike Wright)

1300 New Students Tour 'Living Room'

By DALE FOSTER
Battalion Special Writer

More than 1300 freshmen and transfer students were guests of the Memorial Student Center Friday as they were conducted on a guided tour of student facilities available in "the campus living room."

President Earl Rudder, Congressman Olin E. Teague, Academic Vice President Horace Byers, and Dean of Students James P. Hannigan received students in

the MSC ballroom. Also present were faculty and staff members and their wives.

Sponsored by the MSC Directorate and headed by Vice President-Operations Harry Snowdy, Freshman Open House gave students an opportunity to sign up for any of 14 Directorate committees.

Information booths were also set up by the Corps of Cadets, Freshman Drill Team, Singing Cadets, Alpha Phi Omega, and Civilian Student Council. Displays included trophies of the national champion Fish Drill Team.

Don Branson, sophomore Directorate member, termed the open house "very successful; the entire evening went well."

New students were served refreshments and made to feel at home by 70 local high school and college girls.

Grouped by dorms and corps units, students began tours every five minutes that started in the bowling alley and ended in the ballroom. Facilities toured included meeting rooms, gun room, barber shop, gift shop, browsing library, and student and business offices.

Group guides were selected by Corps Staff and Civilian Student Activities Director Ed Cooper.

ID Cards Available At Sbis Newsstand

Students may pick up 1968-69 identification cards at the Sbis Dining Hall newsstand until 5 p.m. Friday.

A spokesman for the Registrar's Office said Monday that new ID's will be issued daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., including the noon hour. A student must present either the 1967-68 card or the temporary card issued last week at registration to receive the new ID.

Only new ID cards will be honored by the university after Oct. 1.

A&M's Housing Shortage Worst Since Fall Of '46

350 Students Wait For Campus Rooms

By DAVE SMITH
Battalion Special Writer

Texas A&M is suffering the worst housing shortage problem in its recent history, Bennie A. Zinn, director of student affairs, declared Monday.

"We have a waiting list of 350 students that's 350 more than we have room for," Zinn said.

The waiting list is made up primarily of students who applied for rooms after Aug. 15.

"The freshmen and upperclassmen who applied last year got rooms. The trouble is in finding places for the men who applied after Aug. 15," Zinn said.

There are 369 students living three to a room.

"The third men in these rooms will be moved as we find places to put them," Zinn said.

Other students without rooms are staying with friends, staying at motels or camping out. A few have gone home.

The student enrollment may be as many as 900 more than the 12,000 who registered last fall, he added.

"We saw this coming two years ago. We have 6,400 beds and we don't have any reason for enrollment to go down," Zinn said.

The Housing Office and Department of Student Affairs are trying to find spaces for those students on the waiting list by easing the off-campus living restrictions.

Students resigning from the university are also opening up some spaces.

"WE'RE HURTING, no question about that; but if these kids without rooms will come back, we'll try to fix them up," Zinn noted.

The Housing Office attempts to place the students on the waiting list in the order the names appear. These students must continue to check with the Housing Office to see if a room is available.

Off-campus living has been restricted to married students and graduate students, but Zinn explained it has been necessary to liberalize the restrictions.

ZINN HAS issued more day student permits than the normal number.

"I approved about 100 day student permits, and I guess many just moved without telling us," he said.

Students who are not married or graduate students are supposed to apply to the Department of Student Affairs for permission to move off campus before making the move.

THE UNIVERSITY has appealed to the residents of Bryan and College Station by radio and newspaper to rent available rooms to A&M students.

"The people here have been cooperative. We have had many calls from people who will rent rooms," Zinn said.

A&M has had worse housing shortages in the past. In 1946, there were three students in almost every dormitory room when 6,600 veterans entered A&M after World War II.

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'A&M Will Be No Berkeley,' Rudder Says

"Texas A&M will not submit to tyranny, regardless of its guise," President Earl Rudder declared Saturday.

"Nor will we turn this institution into a battleground," he assured the Executive Board of Texas A&M Mothers' Clubs.

"In short," he continued, "there will be no Columbia, no Berkeley here. Our students will not permit it. Our faculty will not permit it. I don't think you want your president to permit it."

Rudder told the club leaders from over the state that "we will maintain a healthy environment for education . . . a climate that fosters the free exchange of ideas in the orderly democratic way that has its roots in the Constitution of the United States."

Attempts by the Students for a Democratic Society to organize a chapter at A&M turned up less than five members, he said.

"Texas A&M students do not have to resort to beards or riots to attract attention and gain distinction," Rudder went on. "Our students have overwhelmingly rejected bearded, dissident, revolutionary elements."

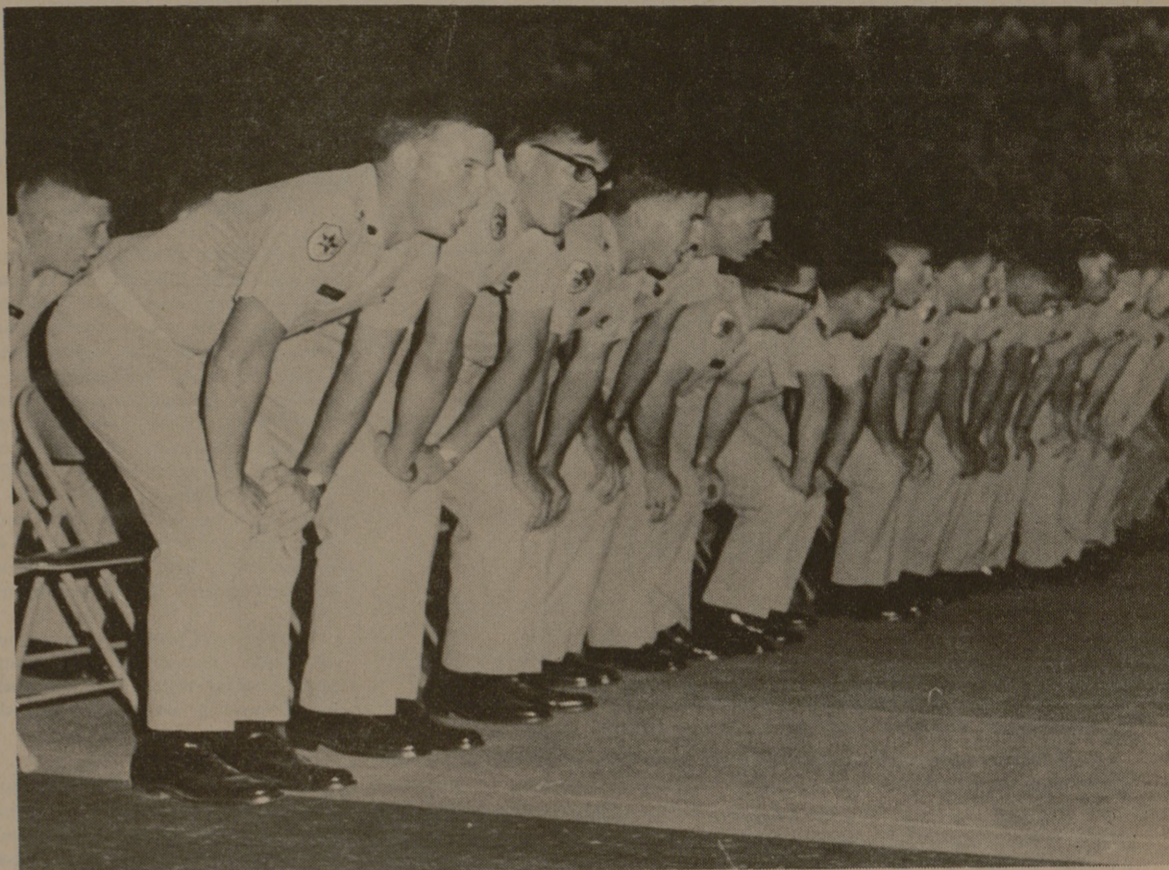
Air Force Tests Slated Saturday

Texas A&M students interested in joining the two-year Air Force ROTC program in the fall of 1969-70 must take the officer qualifying test Saturday.

Col. Vernon L. Head, professor of aerospace studies, said the AFOOT will be given at 7:30 a.m. in room 321 of the physics building. The test lasts eight hours.

In order to register, students should report to Capt. J. L. Gallop in room 310 of the military science building.

Gallop said further information about the advanced course, and summer camp will be available.



FARMERS FIGHT!

Row on row of Aggies "hump it" in the first official yell practice of the year at all University Night Monday in G. Rollie White Coliseum. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Sales Brisk For Full Slate Of Rotary, Town Hall Shows

Season ticket sales are brisk for both the Rotary Community Series and the Texas A&M Town Hall Series, reports Lewis Adams, chairman of the Town Hall Committee.

Andre Previn will conduct the Houston Symphony Orchestra in the 7:30 p.m. Monday performance at Bryan Civic Auditorium in the first of five Rotary Series presentations.

Also included in the Rotary Series are two Broadway productions, "Cactus Flower" Nov. 18 and "Man of La Mancha" Jan. 20, along with performances by violinist Pinchas Zukerman Feb. 17 and Metropolitan Opera bass Jerome Hines March 19.

The Series was initiated last year by the Bryan Rotary Club in cooperation with Town Hall to complement regular Town Hall presentations.

TOWN HALL swings into action Oct. 11 with a performance by singers Anita Bryant and Leon Bibb. The Four Seasons moves in Nov. 1, followed by the Romanian Folk Ballet Dec. 6, the Norman Luboff Choir Feb. 20 and a special April 25 attraction to be announced.

The Artist Showcase debuts Oct. 29 with the Hungarian Quartet. The Houston Chamber Players are scheduled Dec. 16, pianists Jeffrey Sigel Feb. 27 and the Houston Brass Ensemble March 26.

Town Hall also has lined up several "special attractions" for which extra tickets will be required. First on the agenda is

the Danish Gym Team Sept. 27, with soul singers Sam and Dave Nov. 15 and the "Union Gap" musical group Nov. 26. The National Players will present "A Midsummer Night's Dream" Dec. 3, followed by the Harlem Globetrotters Feb. 4 and the Roger Williams Show Feb. 15.

Rotary Series or Town Hall season tickets may be obtained personally or via mail from the Student Program Office in the Memorial Student Center. Rotary tickets also may be obtained from club members.

Season Rotary tickets are \$15, while Town Hall tickets vary in price from \$6 for the wife or date of an A&M student to \$11 for a patron.

ADAMS, A SENIOR chemical engineering major from Kingsville, notes that season ticket holders for either of the series also will be admitted free to the four Town Hall Artist Showcase performances.

A&M students possessing university activity and identification cards will be admitted free to regular Town Hall presentations, with reserved seats available for \$2 or \$3 for the season, depending on seating zone.

Students with cards and Town Hall season ticket holders will be admitted free to the Rotary Series presentation of Jerome Hines, while holders of Rotary season tickets will be guests for Town Hall's Romanian Folk Ballet.

Individual tickets will be sold, if available, for Town Hall presentations, but not for the Rotary Series, Adams points out.

"Admission to Rotary Series presentation is by season ticket only with exception of 200 reserved seat tickets being retained for A&M students and their wives or dates," notes Adams.

Clubs May Reserve Rooms In Center

Student applications for Memorial Student Center meeting rooms may be made in the MSC Social and Education Office today through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All recognized organizations and clubs are eligible to make requests for rooms.

Student groups are allowed to use meeting facilities free of charge. Approved applications are filled on a first come, first served basis.

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

"Holders of valid student activity cards may purchase these tickets at the MSC Student Program Office at \$2 each with a limit of two per student," he adds.

'8 1/2' Heads List Of Film Classics Scheduled In MSC

"8 1/2", an Italian film director's autobiography famed for its image, visual ingenuity and sardonic humor, will be the first of 18 movie classics scheduled for 1968-69 at Texas A&M's Memorial Student Center.

The opening Fall and Spring Film Festival presentation will be screened Friday in the MSC ballroom, announced Mark V. Schumann of Dallas, chairman of the Contemporary Arts Committee film festival.

Outstanding Academy Award and Cannes Festival winners have been selected for the popular MSC series. Included are "Marat/Sade," in which director Peter Brook and the Royal Shakespeare Company portray a play inside a play; Carl Dreyer's 37-year-old German classic of the macabre, "Vampyr;" Japanese-filmed winner "Rashomon" and "The Umbrellas of Cherbourg," Cannes grand prize winner.

Schumann said season tickets are available at the Student Program Office, in person or by mail. Semester duets are \$3 per student and \$5 date, with no single admissions available.

"The series was a sellout last year," he pointed out. "Only 400 seats are available and another rush on them is expected. If a student wants tickets, he'd better get with it."

Except where noted otherwise, films will be shown Fridays at 8 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom. The schedule:

Sept. 20, "8 1/2"; Sept. 27, "Le Bonheur"; Oct. 2 (Wed.), "Breathless"; Oct. 11, "Red Desert"; Oct. 18, "The Seventh Seal"; Oct. 25, "Marat/Sade";

Nov. 1, "King of Hearts"; Nov. 8, "Vampyr"; Dec. 18 (Wed.), "The World of Apu"; Feb. 14, "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow"; March 7, "Rashomon"; March 14, "The Umbrellas of Cherbourg"; March 21, "Knife in the Water"; March 28, "L'Avventura"; April 11, "How I Won the War"; April 18, "The 400 Blows"; April 25, "Arsenic and Old Lace"; and May 9, "The Virgin Spring."



TROOPS LEAVE PRAGUE

Soviet troops march across bridge on road near Prague's Ruzyně airport. Reports are that troops and armor of the Warsaw Pact countries which invaded Czechoslovakia are now withdrawing from the Prague area. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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