

# Flag Carried By Aggies In Vietnam Presented To Corps



**FIRST FLIGHT**

A Texas A&M Cadet Corps flag that was part of the freight on the first flight of the new Air Force cargo carrier is displayed by Mitt Mattendorf (right), A&M senior, and his father Ehrhard Mattendorf Jr. (left), test engineer on the maiden voyage. Air Force Col. Vernon L. Head holds a model of the C-5 Galaxy on which the elder Mittendorf took the flag.

## Cadets Get Flag From VN Veteran

Texas A&M's Corps of Cadets has another battle-tryed "Old Glory" to fly during the 1968-69 school year.

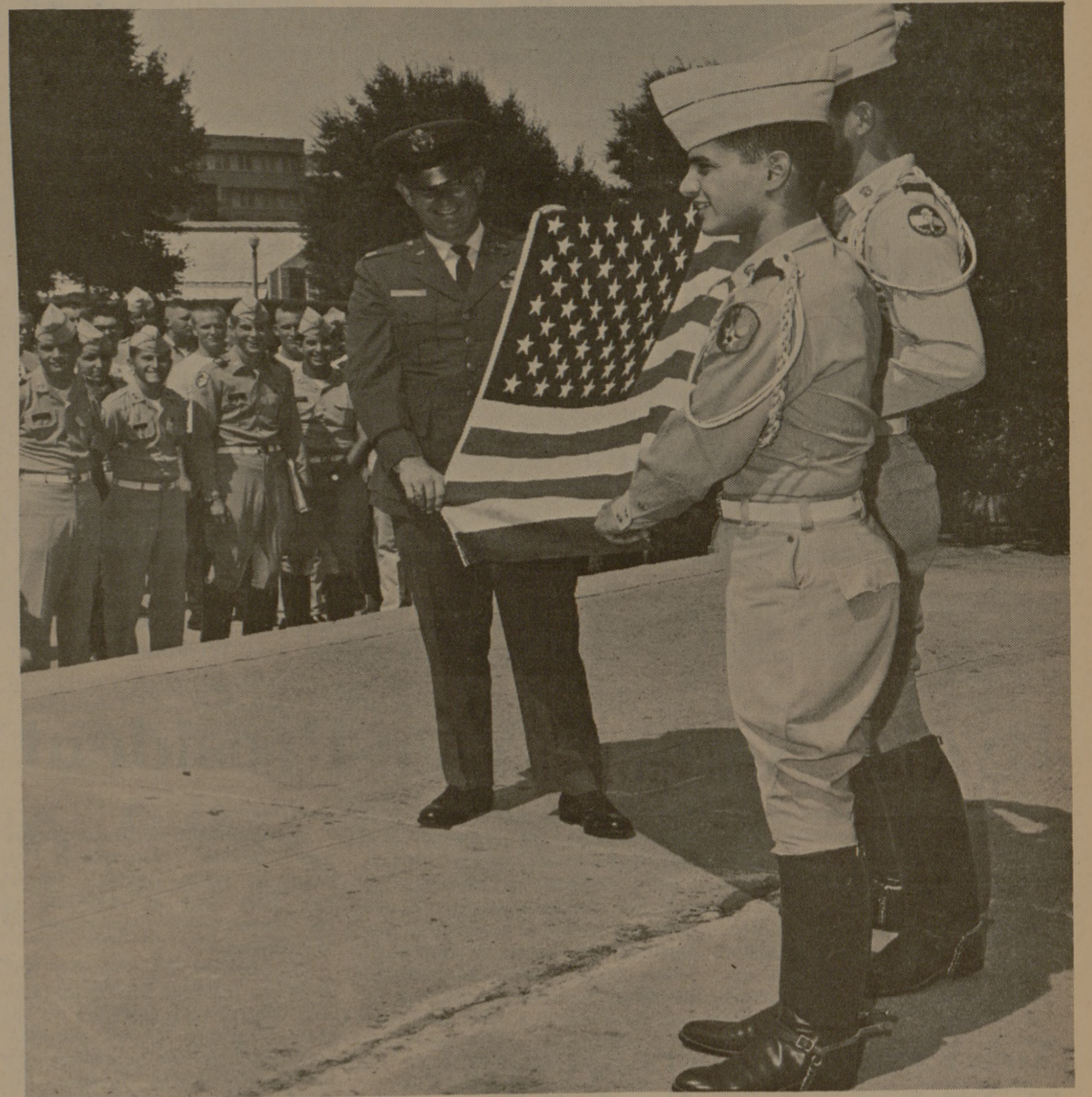
The U. S. flag which went along on four F-106 combat missions over Vietnam was presented recently by Air Force Capt. Thomas A. Cardwell III of Dallas, a 1965 A&M graduate.

The 1968-69 cadet colonel of the corps, Hector Gutierrez of Laredo, accepted for the corps.

Flown by the same Air Force pilots who shipped another flag to A&M for the Aggie-Texas football game last November, the banner was hoisted on the corps area standard the first day of classes Monday, Gutierrez said. "Then we'll present it to Col. (Jim) McCoy for his office," the cadet colonel added. Colonel McCoy is the A&M commandant.

Captain Cardwell said the four pilots who took the Stars and Stripes along on missions have 16,000 hours flying time. The pilots included Maj. Jerry O. Robbinette of El Paso, Maj. Bobby R. Noack of Waco, Capt. Jim Schnabel of San Antonio and Cardwell. Minze requested that the captain obtain another flag for the corps. Cardwell was Squadron 7 commander in the corps and Minze was a freshman in his unit.

Attending the presentation were Captain Cardwell's father, a civil service hydroelectrical engineer of Dallas; his wife, the former Janet Stokes of Dallas; Dean of Students James P. Hannigan; Air Force Col. Vernon L. Head, professor of aerospace studies; Military Science Department officers, cadet corps commanders and freshmen on campus for the school year.



**BATTLE PROVEN**

A U. S. flag which was baptized in Vietnam combat is presented Texas A&M's Corps of Cadets by Air Force Capt. Thomas A. Cardwell (left). Accepting for the corps, represented by commanders and freshmen on campus, are Cadet Colonel of the Corps Hector Gutierrez of Laredo and Garland H. Clark of Glenelg, Md., deputy corps commander.

## Flag Rides On Record Flight

A Texas A&M cadet corps flag contributed several ounces to the 520,000 pounds record takeoff weight of the C-5 Galaxy's maiden flight.

The blue corps banner was carried by Ehrhard Mittendorf Jr., flight test engineer and father of A&M senior aerospace engineering major Ehrhard Mittendorf.

Col. Vernon L. Head, A&M professor of aerospace studies, said a model of the world's largest airplane and data on the C-5

will be arranged in a special exhibit in the Military Science Building.

The junior Mittendorf was a cadet first lieutenant in Squadron 8 of the corps last year. His father is a Lockheed-Georgia employee and one of five men to make the C-5's first two flights at Dobbins AFB, Ga.

The cargo-carrying plane, only 18 yards shorter than a football field, is capable of lifting six Greyhound buses at a time. Load-

ing facilities enable three jeeps abreast to drive on at a time.

With a basic mission weight of 712,000 pounds, the C-5's payload weight is 265,000 pounds, 82 per cent of its operating weight minus fuel.

The A&M flag's weight wasn't even noticeable.

## Oceanography-Meteorology Complex To Furnish Technical Equipment

Preston M. Geren architect and engineer firm of Fort Worth has been contracted for design of an oceanography-meteorology complex at Texas A&M.

The firm has been given a program of recommendations for the \$7 million structure for preliminary design proposal presentation at the Board of Directors building committee meeting in February, according to J. O. Adams, A&M System director of construction.

Tentative location of the complex will be at the corner of Bizzell and Hubbard Streets, behind the Olin E. Teague Research Center, Adams added.

"This facility will fulfill the needs of the university in the area of oceanography and meteorology," the construction director went on. "It will provide for inclusion of the latest developments in technical equipment."

The Oceanography and Meteorology Departments are presently located in Goodwin and Bizzell Halls.

Detailed design of the new structure will depend on committee approval of preliminary design in February.

The architect-engineer firm is a partnership of Preston M. Geren and his son which has been in business 30 years. Geren has pre-

viously done work for the A&M system at Arlington and is presently involved in design of a new Fort Worth city hall.

Preston M. Geren studied architectural engineering at A&M, graduating in 1912. His son, Preston M. Geren Jr., completed architecture studies here in 1945.

## CE Names Five To Faculty

Five new faculty members have been announced for the Civil Engineering Department here. They will have both teaching and research responsibilities, said Dr. Charles H. Samson, department head.

Dr. Robert L. Irvine, Jr., whose research interest is industrial pollution, has been assigned to the Environmental Division. He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from Tufts and the Ph.D. from Rice.

Dr. John Martin Hughes also will be a part of the Environmental Division. He has worked in research and development for General Electric and was a research assistant at the University of Illinois. His B.S. and M.S. degrees were awarded by Oklahoma State and the Ph.D. by Illinois. Air pollution is Hughes' major research interest.

DR. CLARENCE J. Garrison will have teaching and research assignments in the Hydraulic Engineering and Hydromechanics

## Outstanding Seniors Receive Scholarships

Twenty-one outstanding Texas high school seniors are recipients of Texas A&M President's Scholars Awards, President Earl Rudder has announced.

The youths, selected from more than 400 nominees, are listed among the "most outstanding young men in Texas," Rudder noted.

Nominated by their high school principals during their junior year, the recipients will enter A&M in September, 1969.

The President's Scholars Award Program, inaugurated last year when 10 seniors were awarded scholarships, covers all required expenses at the university.

The awards are designed to retain the state's most promising students in Texas for their advanced education, Rudder pointed out. Recipients are selected by the Faculty Scholarships Committee and notified of their selection during the first week of their senior year in high school. Stipends are paid to the winners at the rate of \$1,000 per year. Students enrolled in five-year programs receive \$5,000.

Selection criteria is based on scholastic achievement and leadership accomplishments. At the end of their high school junior year, nominees are required to rank in the upper five per cent of their

class, must have a composite preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test total score of at least 1350 and must have served in leadership positions in school, church or similar activities.

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