

Profs Given Emeritus Status

Drs. Harvey T. Kennedy and Grady P. Parker, retired Texas professors, have been awarded professor emeritus status by the Texas A&M University System Board of Directors.

Dr. Kennedy, who was distinguished professor of petroleum engineering prior to his Aug. 31 retirement, joined Texas A&M in September, 1949.

While he has formally retired,

Engineering Dean Fred Benson told the board Dr. Kennedy will continue to participate in various activities of the Petroleum Engineering Department.

HE IS active in numerous scientific and professional organizations, including the American Chemical Society, American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers, American Petroleum Institute, Amer-

ican Society for Engineering Education and the National Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Parker joined the A&M faculty as associate professor of chemistry in 1940 but transferred to the Education and Psychology Department in 1947. He was promoted to professor of education in 1950 and served as department head from 1954 to 1961.

IN RECENT years, noted Liberal Arts Dean Frank Hubert, Dr. Parker has gained national recognition as a leader in the promotion of quality in science education. He has served as departmental chairman of science education for the university and personally directed the programs of more than 30 full-time Na-

tional Science Foundation fellows each year.

Dr. Parker is a member of the Texas Academy of Science's Board of Science Education and Board of Development and has served as state and area director of NSF.

He is a fellow in the American Association of Science and the Texas Academy of Science and holds life memberships in the Texas State Teachers Association, National Education Association and the National Science Teachers Association.

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By FRAN HAUGEN
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Located in the basement of the Memorial Student Center, the club, which has previously been open to couples only, will try something different this weekend. On Friday night, Dec. 6, The Basement will open its door to stags for fifty cents as well as to couples for seventy-five cents. Saturday night business will be, as before, for couples only. The hours both nights are eight o'clock until midnight. If this set up is an improvement over the old one, it may be put into effect permanently.

Live entertainment regularly is the phrase which best describes the uniqueness of The Basement in this area. Every Friday night and Saturday night

top local performers do their own thing for A&M listeners. The lineup of entertainers has included Jack Abbott, a twelve-string guitarist; Mike Carroll, singer of blues and pops; Donnie Neubauer, a cadet who sings country and western tunes; Wally Williams, who sings Dylan and others; and Linda Nobles,

folk singer. Craig Davis, who has cut two records "Junk Band" and "Gypsy", specializes in singing The Beatles' and his own songs at The Basement.

The Basement, part of the MSC directorate, is headed by Susan Wilson and Linda Noble. Auditions are held every Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m.

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Candidates for the Master's Degree will wear the cap and gown; all civilian students who are candidates for the Bachelor's Degree will wear the cap and gown; ROTC students who are candidates for the Bachelor's Degree will wear the appropriate uniform. All military personnel who are candidates for the degree, graduate or undergraduate, will wear the uniform only.

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