

# Vet Output Leads Nation

A&M long ago moved to first place in the production of veterinary medicine doctors.

The College of Veterinary Medicine "graduate output is now 30 per cent greater than the next higher state in the nation," Dean A. A. Price acknowledged this week.

The number of Texans who were admitted to the study of

veterinary medicine for 1968-69 far outstrips the next highest state.

Price pointed out Texas leads with 121 Texans as compared with 78 each from California and Michigan, the next two highest states represented.

PRIOR TO 1964, the college had an entering enrollment of 64 students. The number was in-

creased to 96 in 1964 and to 128 in 1965.

The unprecedented increase in a two-year period made educational history. No other contemporary veterinary medical college has ever increased its enrollment so rapidly.

By its own admission, the college "is tough to get into." The average student has 3.2 years of college credit before entering.

"THE LOSS RATIO of students is low," said Price, "and it ought to be low," noting the selection of students has included a thorough analysis of their previous academic program.

Discussing entrance requirements, Price said an entering student's average is 2.11 points, but that the "overall grade point ratio is probably the least thing we look at."

For example, he said, selection committee members want to know if he is strong in "political or natural sciences."

THE DEAN also said committee members want to know if a student "really wants into the college as well as the probability of his success in this field."



**THE FINAL STEP**  
Philip Burke, St. Louis, Mo., receives his commission from Lt. Gen. Arthur G. Agan, commander of the Aerospace Defense Command at Ent Air Force Base, Colo. at Saturday afternoon's commissioning service at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

## Graduates Told To Think Local

A&M's 748 mid-term graduates were urged Saturday to "think local."

"Not many of us will ever be called upon to perform on a world stage, or a national one or at the state level," noted commencement speaker, Dr. John C. Stevens, assistant president of Abilene Christian College.

He pointed out, however, there are numerous local problems about which individual citizens can do something.

"Many, if not most, of the serious problems plaguing mankind today are those having a very close connection with local or city government," the Abilene city councilman observed. He cited crime in the streets, pollution of natural resources, unsavory ghetto conditions and bad feelings among people of different ethnic or religious groups.

STEVENS SAID such problems "find their way to city hall — not just to Washington or to Austin, but to city hall."

The former Army chaplain touched briefly on the traditional commencement topic of helping make the world better.

"The world we may help save is our own," Dr. Stevens reminded.

"There are men in this graduating class, I am sure, who will be called upon to undertake great responsibilities in national and, perhaps, international affairs," he

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