A&M Cadet Cited For Work Texas A&M is initiating a volves possible development of study to determine the feasibility economical means of treating the directed by Dr. Otto C. Wilke, pact in West Texas, as well as in other arid parts of the nation assistant professor at A&M's At Benning Summer Camp and world," stressed Runkles.

of "harvesting" rain as a means of meeting future water needs in arid sections of the United States and other parts of the world. The two-year program will be conducted by A&M's Water Resources Institute under a \$24,775 grant from the Department of Interior's Office of Water Re-

sources Research. Dr. J. R. Runkles, acting director of the institute, said one of the areas to be explored in-

"The amount of water which can be conserved for beneficial use in Texas amounts to a vast supply if harvested runoff from selected areas were stored for future use," Runkles noted.

He pointed out such use might represent the greatest value of some marginal lands if an economic method of sealing and protecting the soil can be developed.

Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock.

Runkles said Wilke will emphasize the hydrologic aspects of water harvesting. The study will include an evaluation of types of sealants, slopes, erosion and precipitation. Evaluation also will be made of various combinations of land surface treatments and

land forming methods. "Success of this research would

Water harvesting is not a totally new concept, the director pointed out, but its application is seldom economical through utilization of existing techniques.

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cited at Fort Benning for his performance in a basic ROTC sum-

Wednesday, August 27, 1969

Completion of the six-week camp qualified Snell to enter the advance ROTC program at A&M

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