



BEST AT AFROTC CAMP

The 1968-69 corps commander, Hector Gutierrez of Laredo, was one of 27 Aggies cited for outstanding performance at Air Force summer training. He receives the Commandant's Award signifying first among 250 cadets at Hill AFB, Utah, from Maj. Gen. Lester F. Miller, deputy chief of personnel.

27 Air ROTC Cadets Take Top Summer Camp Ratings

Highest ratings were taken by 27 Air Force ROTC cadets at summer camp.

Commandant and vice commandant award recipients are determined on a competitive basis by Air Force officers at the respective training sites, announced Col. E. C. Hanna, professor of aerospace studies.

Selection is based on leadership, military bearing, mastery of classroom subjects and drill command capabilities. The awards are considered in selecting cadets to receive regular Air Force commissions.

Commandant awards, made to the top cadet at each training base, were awarded Hector Gutierrez of Laredo, corps commander of 1968-69, and Roy E. Sewall of San Antonio, a Squadron 10 junior and Air Force financial assistance grant recipient.

Gutierrez attended summer training at Hill AFB, Utah. He competed with 250 cadets for the award. Sewall, who trained at the Air Force Academy was in competition with a similar number.

Vice commandant awards are made to the most outstanding cadets in each 25-man flight.

Recipients include Lawrence P. Gravis of San Antonio; Charles A. Parada, Houston; Bryan R. Thompson, Texas City, and James S. Wilbeck, Hungerford. They were seniors in the corps last year.

This year's seniors receiving the awards are James A. Fyock, Alexandria, Va.; John L. Grum-

bles, Squadron 7 commander of Bedford, Mass.; Billy J. Hall Jr., Squadron 6 CO, Sherman; Gregory L. Hennings, Tampa, Fla.; Charles E. Holt, Center; John M. McNabb Jr., Second Group CO, Sheppard AFB; Frank Montalbano III, Squadron 1 CO, Beaumont; Gerald F. Perryman Jr., Squadron 12 CO, Freeport; Rex E. Stewart, San Antonio, and Richard E. Taylor Jr., Fourth Group CO, Santa Fe, N. M.

Financial assistance grant cadets who are 1969-70 juniors and sophomores also were tops in their flights.

They are Thomas C. Bain Jr., Dallas; John M. Conrad, Fort Worth; Jon E. Imler, Grand Prairie; Robert H. Matthews, Amarillo; Barrett J. Smith, Pearland;

Gregg K. Weaver, Midland; Michael L. Wiebe, San Antonio; David A. Woods III, Fort Worth and Charles H. Shipman, Hurst.

Colonel Hanna noted the 27 outstanding cadets were among 130 Aggies in 14 different sites for summer field training.

"These achievements are quite meaningful when it is realized that Aggies constituted only four per cent of those in the training, yet they walked off with 15 per cent of all Commandant's awards and 22 per cent of the Vice Commandant's Awards," the officer commented.

He said 83 of the 130 were rated among the top five cadets of their respective flights and 78 were similarly rated for drill and ceremony performance.

Placement Service Sign-Up Open to January, May Grads

January and May graduates are urged by Placement Director Robert Reese to sign up as soon as possible for the university's free placement service.

He said two orientations for 1970 graduates will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday in Rooms 2 A-B, Memorial Student Center.

All the free services and interview tips will be presented during the program, Reese noted.

Company recruiters will start fall interviews Oct. 1 on the campus.

Reese explained the placement services include compiling a personal file with references and a copy of the student's academic record. All a student has to do is report to the office and register.

Interview schedules are available and impending recruiting is announced on academic department bulletin boards.

"There is usually no limit on the number of interviews, but we discourage shopping," Reese said.

He added that once a student schedules an interview he is expected to keep it, unless he notifies the office he will not interview that company.

He estimated about one-third of the projected January and May graduates have already signed-up at the office.

Coeds also are urged to use the placement service. Several female graduates have been employed through recruitment from the Placement Office and Reese declared that their starting salaries are competitive to a male's.

The office maintains a library of company literature and placement annuals are distributed free to graduating seniors. The placement annuals for 1969-70 will be available at a later date.

A&M also offers an active placement service for former students who are in the military service or are interested in changing jobs, Reese said.

He suggested that 1970 graduates who plan to enter the armed forces also take advantage of the recruiting service while they are in school.

"It gives the student experience in interviewing and connections that can be used after leaving the military," he observed.

The majority of the major companies recruit both seasons. If a firm is interested in the student, he usually is asked to visit the company's facilities, Reese pointed out.

"The nice thing about facilities here," Reese said, "is the student has a choice of the top companies without leaving the campus. It's just a few minutes walk to some great opportunities."

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