



Hot training program—This scene from last year's Firemen's Training School will be repeated many times during the next three weeks when the 41st annual school opens Monday. Besides the intense heat from the fires, the student-firemen usually have to battle nature's 90-plus weather. The campus expects to host 2,725 firemen for the three one-week schools.

Fire-fighting school

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room sessions," Smith declared. He emphasized instructors are highly qualified and experienced, many of them participants in the summer training programs for over 15 years.

Smith disclosed the donations in instructor's time and expenses, fire-fighting equipment, fuels, chemicals and facilities would cost at least \$1,276,200 for similar training.

Municipal classes begin at 7 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. Approximately one-half of the firemen will be housed in campus halls and eating in A&M dining facilities. "Area motels have been booked for several weeks," Smith points out.

The first firemen's school was held at Texas A&M in 1930. Since that time, 41,333 students have been trained, Smith added.

One unique addition to this year's equipment is a fire simulator loaned to the school by the Dallas Fire Department.

The recently-completed teaching aid can simulate all types of fires and fire conditions. It comes complete with fire-fighting equipment that can be manipulated to fight the fires.

Watermelon feast set today

A watermelon feast for summer school students will be spread Wednesday by the Memorial Student Center Summer Directorate.

Musical entertainment, games and plenty of ice-cold watermelon will be provided, announced Allen Huddleston, special events chairman from Houston.

The watermelon feast will be staged in the area between Spence Park and Kyle Field, just south of the Guion Hall parking lot, from 5 p.m. until dark, Huddleston said.

"Every student should make an effort to get out," he commented. "There will be 3,000

Two technicians from the Dallas department will demonstrate the equipment in an advanced course.

It will be open to public viewing at the Ramada Inn all week.

pounds to watermelon to be consumed."

Volleyball, sack races, tug-of-war (without mud) and other activities are planned, along with entertainment by groups that perform at the MSC Basement.

The watermelon feast is one of several summer school activities provided for students by the MSC Summer Directorate, noted Caren Conlee, chairman from Bryan. Besides regular "C" groups, such as the radio and camera committees which continue from the regular semesters through the summer, the directorate organizes dances, the Basement coffee house and the Grove Theater.

Costs of food cut

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ing with students' board fees is having central storage, baking and meat processing, he continued.

A large new freezer, a new cooler and hundreds of square feet of additional storage space have been completed in the basement under Duncan Dining Hall where enough food can be stored to last a regular nine-month school year.

The meat is bought in large quantities just as the other food is and is cut and kept in freezers which are kept at below - zero temperatures. Col. Dollar added all of the meat and fish are either state or federally inspected.

He said the kitchens are kept sanitary and all employees are required to have their health cards renewed each six months. He added that there has not been a case of food poisoning since he came here.

One of the biggest problems for food services is the fact that A&M goes from one of the largest feeding situations in the United States in the regular school year to one of the smallest, Col. Dollar said.

"The problem is trying to hire enough employees to handle the large number of students in the regular terms and then having to let them all go in the summer," he said.

"We finally get all the help we need in April and then we have to let them all go. We can't afford to keep them all employed in the summer so we'll have them available when school starts in the fall.

"We also have a hard time hiring people because of inadequate public transportation and people getting higher paying jobs closer to their homes."

Harold R. Thearl, asst. to the director and manager of Sbis Dining Hall, Henry P. Wellnitz, manager of Duncan Dining Hall, and R. V. Ray, manager of the Memorial Student Center food services were praised by Col. Dollar for doing "exceptional work."

He added two of the men came here with a cut in salary.

Col. Dollar said some of the equipment they had when he worked in the kitchens when he attended the university were still there when he returned as director.

A lot of the equipment has been replaced but more will have to be," he said. "We are working on a major equipment replacement program which will be extended over a five year period."

Col. Dollar said new glass doors were put in at Sbis Dining Hall because the doors were so big some of the women couldn't open them. The doors at Duncan Dining Hall, on the other hand, had to be replaced after they had to "chain the doors to keep the wind from blowing them open".

Col. Dollar said he had involved the students in running the dining halls and has tried to get students or professors interested in decorating the dining halls.

He said they provided no results and he has been unable to decorate them since they are so massive.

On one occasion Sbis Dining Hall was decorated in a Mexican fiesta atmosphere and Mexican food was served for the Thursday night meal. The company that sold the food used pictures of the decorations as an advertisement in a major food services magazine which said it was like decorating a football field.

Col. Dollar concluded that students are part of the menu board which he organized in 1965.

Rouse to be guest editor of issue

Dr. John W. Rouse Jr., director of Texas A&M University's Remote Sensing Center, has been selected a guest editor for a future issue of the Institute of Electronic and Electrical Engineers publication, "Transactions on Geoscience Electronics."

Dr. Rouse is accepting papers through Nov. 1 for a special remote sensing issue. Publication is expected in July, 1971.

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