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Reveille III enters fifth football season

By John Curylo
Battalion Staff Writer

When A&M plays Wichita State Saturday, it will mark the beginning of the fifth football season for Reveille III, the Aggie mascot.

Affectionately known as "Rev", the American collie is the only Southwest Conference mascot that never has been stolen.

The first Reveille, a spitz, was acquired by A&M in 1931, when it was run over by Warren (Rip) Collins between Navasota and College Station. The dog was brought back to the campus and was adopted as the school's mascot. The name came about as a result of the dog's loud objection to the morning bugle call.

Rev. was given the run of the campus. The mascot slept in the dormitories, ate in the dining hall, and pranced in front of the band during the halftime performance.

After the death of Reveille I on Jan. 18, 1944, there was a period of seven years during which there was no official mascot of A&M. Arthur Weinert, a member of the class of 1900, and his wife donated a Shetland Shepherd to the school in February 1951.

Reveille II was spirited and had a mind of its own. She was known for the halftime performance, in which she marched in front of the band, reacting to the music and marching routines. As she became older, she developed arthritis and a kidney disease, so arrangements were made to get a new mascot.

Steve and Randy Andes, two juniors from Fairbanks, Alaska, knew that their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Husa, would be willing to donate one of the puppies that their dog at home was about to have. They made arrangements with the school to present

the puppy at Final Review 1966, when Rev II retired.

Reveille II died Aug. 23, 1966. Funeral ceremonies were held at Kyle Field, participated in by Reveille III and the men of Company E-2, the mascot company of the corps.

Reveille I and II are buried at the entrance to Kyle Field, where "they can always see the scoreboard". The graves are marked by cemetery headstones. Last spring, the classes of '72 and '73 of E-2 chained off the area around the graves in order to prevent people from walking across the graves.

Reveille III is cared for directly by Gerald Betty, a sophomore from Springtown, who is this year's mascot corporal. Every year, one freshman is picked from Company E-2 to be mascot corporal for the coming year.

"It would be a real honor to be chosen to care for my school's mascot," Betty said, "but I'm proud to be in charge of a mascot with the fame surrounding Rev."

After sports events at which the dog is present, all members of the mascot company guard her on the way back to the dormitory, where she lives. She has the distinction of being "the only girl in the corps".

"We feed her twice a day," Betty said. "We take her to formation, she marches with us to chow, and then she sits by our table in the dining hall. I usually try to take her out for exercise at least once during the day. She sure does love to play."

Rev is bathed and given medical attention at the Veterinary Medicine College. She is seen frequently in class. Rev attends all Aggie sporting events. Last April she was part of the line of students at the funeral of the late Pres. Earl Rudder.



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Europeans to join NASA in space shuttle designs

HOUSTON (AP) — Two European aerospace companies will join with North American Rockwell in design studies for spacecraft to be used in America's space shuttle program planned for the late 1970s.

It will be the first time foreign firms participate in the U.S. space program with financial assistance from their own governments.

The work of the foreign companies will be financed by about \$1 million in funds from their own governments.

Space agency officials announced Tuesday Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm of West Germany and the British Aircraft Corp. of England will work as subcontractors with North American.

North American is one of two U.S. firms under contract to the

space agency to conduct preliminary design studies for the space shuttle, a reusable airplane-like vehicle envisioned as a need for carrying people and cargo into orbit and back.

Messerschmitt, whose ancestor company designed and built the world's first operational jet fighter plane, will study the shuttle's attitude control rocket system. BAC will study structures, aerodynamics, flight test instrumentation, and data handling.

Space officials said the West German and British governments each will give about \$500,000 in support of the studies. Both foreign companies will set up offices in Downey, Calif., to work with the North American engineering teams. Officials said about six engineers from each country will be transferred to Downey.

McDonnell Douglas Corp. of

St. Louis also is conducting design studies under a similar contract. In effect, McDonnell Douglas and North American are competing for the eventual prime construction contract for space shuttles.

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The Institute of International Education announced today the official opening of its annual competition for grants for graduate study or research abroad, and for professional training in the creative and performing arts.

IIE is responsible for the recruitment and screening of candidates for U.S. Government Awards under the Fulbright-Hays Act as well as for grants offered by various foreign governments, universities and private donors. The grants, which will be available for the academic year 1971-72, are designed to promote mutual understanding between the people of the U.S. and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills. It is expected that there will be at least 554 awards available for 1971-72 although only tentative information on quotas has been received.

Candidates who wish to apply for an award must be U.S. citizens at the time of application, have a bachelor's degree or its equivalent before the beginning date of the grant and, in most cases, be proficient in the language of the host country.

Selections will be made on the basis of academic and/or professional record, the feasibility of the applicant's proposed study plan, language preparation and personal qualifications.

Preference is given to applicants between the ages of 20 and 35 and to candidates who have

not had prior opportunity for extended study or residence abroad, with the exception of those who have served in the armed forces.

Creative and performing artists will not be required to have a bachelor's degree, but they must have four years of professional study or equivalent experience. Applicants in social work must have at least two years of professional experience after the Master of Social Work degree. Applicants in the field of medicine must have an M.D. at the time of application.



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