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Warm,
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Wednesday — Partly cloudy to cloudy. Southerly winds 5-10 mph. Maximum 83°, low 74°.
Thursday — Cloudy, rain or thunderstorms. Southerly winds 10-15 mph. Maximum 80°, low 74°.

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\$4 million in building approved by board

Contracts totaling nearly \$4 million were awarded Tuesday by the Texas A&M University System Board of Directors for construction projects throughout the state, including new agricultural research and extension centers at Uvalde and Chillicothe-Vernon.

The board also announced three key appointments at Prairie View A&M College and named a dean for Texas A&M University's new College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Resources at Galveston.

Dr. Ivory V. Nelson, Prairie View's assistant dean of the college since 1968, was promoted to vice president for research and special projects.

Dr. G. R. Ragland was named acting dean at Prairie View. He is currently head of institutional research, director of records and

ports and head of the Sociology Department.

A. E. Groux was named dean of engineering at Prairie View. He is currently associate dean.

Dr. William H. Clayton was appointed dean of Texas A&M's College of Marine Sciences and Maritime Resources. He is currently associate dean for research in the university's College of Oceanography and professor of oceanography and meteorology.

Page and Wirtz Construction Co. of Amarillo won a \$418,765 contract to build the new agricultural research and extension center between Chillicothe and Vernon. In conjunction with the award, the board formally accepted grants totaling \$150,000 to help finance the project. The Vernon Chamber of Commerce contribut-

ed \$100,000 and the W. T. Waggoner Estate and the E. Paul and Helen Buck Waggoner Foundation, Inc., \$25,000 each.

B-F-W Construction Co. of Temple received a \$412,000 contract to build the Uvalde center.

Other contracts included \$1,975,800 to Temple Associates, Inc., of Diboll for expansion of utilities; \$569,735.50, Young Brothers, Inc., Contractors of Waco, renovation of Easterwood Airport; \$265,100, Sentry Construction Co., Bryan, construction of Forestry Field Laboratory; and \$99,973.51, Tonn Construction Co. of Giddings, construction of storm drainage, all at Texas A&M.

A \$148,805 contract was awarded to Waco Construction, Inc., Waco, to convert the attic of Tarleton State College's student

center into a usable second floor.

The board authorized appropriations totaling \$177,425 for three other projects: \$60,125 for construction of a poultry disease laboratory at Gonzales; \$87,000 for detailed design of additional married student housing at Texas A&M and \$30,300 for the Texas Maritime Academy to move into new office and classroom facilities at Texas A&M's Mitchell Campus on Galveston's Pelican Island.

In other action, the board approved president emeritus designation for Dr. M. T. Harrington, who served as president of Texas A&M from 1950 until 1953 and was chancellor of the system from 1953 until 1965. The emeritus designation is effective Oct. 1, the day after Dr. Harrington retires as coordinator for the university's international programs.



Hauling junk and climbing steps is all part of coming back to A&M. For more photos of what the first few days are like, see pages 2, 7, and 8. (Photos by Joe Matthews)

A&M begins 95th year; over 14,000 are expected

Classroom doors opened Monday for the 95th year at A&M.

The 1971-72 school year will be Dr. Jack K. Williams' first full year as Texas A&M system president. Increased enrollment and continuing construction also highlight the new year for Texas' oldest public institution of higher learning.

More than 14,000 enrollment is expected by the time final tabulations are made next week to include late registering students, according to Registrar Robert A. Lacey.

Enrollment in the university courses will continue through Friday. Students may add new courses through Friday and drop courses without penalty through Sept. 14, Lacey noted.

A&M first began classes in October, 1876, with 40 students and seven faculty members. The faculty today numbers more than 1,100.

New classrooms will go into use during the year, as departments move into the nearly-completed \$9.9 million Engineering Center. Construction totalling \$63 million includes the oceanography-meteorology and office-classroom high-rises, 1,000 student dorms, auditorium-conference center including a continuing education tower, Memorial Student Center expansion, educational television building and chemistry expansion, in addition to related utilities and services expansion and Sbisa Hall renovation.

In design and possibly to begin construction during 1971-72 is a \$2.3 million health center. Also in the design stage is a new athletic dorm and classroom building.

Dr. Williams was named president last September, took office in November and was formally inaugurated in April, 1971. The former Coordinating Board commissioner and University of Tennessee academic vice president succeeded Acting President Gen. A. R. Luedcke who took over after Gen. Earl Rudder died in March, 1970.

Fall semester exams and commencement, as in 1970, will precede the Christmas holidays. Commencement is scheduled Dec. 11 and fall studies will be completed Dec. 21.

Continuous dining schedule announced for dining halls

A continuous dining schedule by which board-paying students will have more time to eat meals has been announced by the Food Service Department.

The Food Service Department director said board students may take the first two meals of a class day at Sbisa Hall any time between 7 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Evening meals will be served between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m.

The innovation will keep dining hall serving lines open an additional four hours per class day.

"Our students have missed too many meals in the past due to class conflicts and other reasons," Dellar added. "This sched-

ule is for the student's health and well-being. It should allow him to eat meals he might otherwise miss, dine more leisurely and enjoy mealtime more."

Dellar said continuous dining will affect all board-paying students—civilian and corps—though the schedule will apply only to Sbisa service. A cadet forced to miss a Duncan meal can get it at Sbisa by showing his ID card.

Breakfast will be served weekdays in the main Sbisa hall from 7 to 8 a.m. A continental line providing pastries, juices and

University National Bank
"On the side of Texas A&M."

beverages will be open in the Sbisa annex from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Noon meals begin at 10:30 a.m. in Sbisa main and extend to 2:30 p.m. Supper hours are from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Berner promoted to associate dean

Dr. Leo Berner Jr. has been promoted to associate dean of A&M's Graduate College.

Graduate Dean George W. Kunze said the appointment is effective Sept. 1.

Berner, who also is an associate professor of oceanography, has been assistant dean since 1967.

Some major

Changes made in 'blue-book'

By BILL GOULD

Aggies who take the time to examine their new copies of the University Regulations will find that some changes have been made.

What the changes are and how they will affect the individual student at A&M were explained by R. A. Lacey, registrar and chairman of the Rules and Regulations Committee.

The committee's primary goal was to clarify the regulations and "do a little house-cleaning," according to Lacey.

Other members of the committee were John B. Beckham, Associate Dean, College of Science;

J. G. McGuire, Assistant Dean, College of Engineering; Dr. R. C. Potts, Associate Dean, College of Agriculture; Dr. C. E. McCandless, Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts; Don Stafford, Student Affairs; Maylon Southernland, Civilian Corps Advisor; and Kent Caperton, past president of the Student Senate.

Regulations changed include those dealing with studies, student absences, class visitors, and the reporting and posting of grades, Lacey said.

Major revisions, however, are those pertaining to the Basic Policy itself and to the regulations which interpret the basic

policy.

In defining terms, the regulations no longer include former students or "the worthy traditions of the institution" when speaking of the University.

For the first time since the basic policy statement was adopted by the Board of Directors in 1945, the regulations recognize the student's Constitutional rights.

The regulations also guarantee the student's right of freedom of control by any persons "except as may be in accord with published rules and regulations of the University."

Of particular interest are the

revised policies regarding on-campus speakers, lecturers and entertainment.

In the previous edition of the regulations, the section was one paragraph long and contained about 160 words. The changes in the new edition add six sub-paragraphs and increase the section's length to some 400 words.

According to the regulation, "The President or his duly authorized representative may order a speaking event to be terminated on the grounds that it constitutes a disorderly activity..."

Also retained in the regulations are the broad controls concerning student life both on and off the campus, in that "the University accepts responsibility for the extra-curricular life of the individual student..."

Lacey, in summarizing the accomplishments of the committee, said, "We tried to treat the student as a responsible adult, giving all the freedoms allowed him anywhere."

"We think that Aggies will benefit from the changes," he added.

A&M-Wichita game tickets now available

Student and date tickets for the A&M-Wichita State football game can be picked up this week at the ticket booths in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Athletic Business Manager Wally Groff has announced the following distribution schedule:

- Wednesday—Graduate students and seniors.
- Thursday—Juniors.
- Friday—Sophomores.
- Monday—Freshmen.
- Tuesday—All classes.

Groff added that students should get their tickets on days assigned for their specific classes. They can get tickets any day after their designated day.

The above schedule will continue each week, starting on Wednesdays.

Students get their one home-game ticket free by showing both their ID and activity cards. They pay half-price for tickets to out-of-town games. All date tickets are full price. The LSU game tickets are \$7 each. All other tickets are \$6.

Ticket booths will be open continuously from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for distributing home-game tickets. They're open at 8 a.m. for out-of-town game distribution.

For students who do not wish to stand, there will be "consideration tickets" available at ticket window No. 8. They should be picked up on the student's designated day for tickets.

Jim Ferguson, head yell leader, moves his body and mouth through a fable at All-University Night. The super sized yell practice featured President Jack K. Williams and Head football coach Gene Stallings. (Photo by Steve Dunkleberg)