

THE BATTALION

Dobie collection presented to A&M

A major collection of materials by and about J. Frank Dobie will be formally presented Wednesday, Oct. 6 to A&M.

Mrs. J. Frank Dobie, widow of the noted Southwestern folklorist and author, and Dudley R. Dobie, cousin and Texas bookman, will participate in presentation ceremonies in the university library.

President Jack K. Williams will accept the gift from collector J. C. Dykes, a 1921 A&M graduate, and his daughter, Mrs.

Martha Ann Dykes Goldsmith of Clarksville, Tenn. Dykes resides in College Park, Md.

An organizational meeting of the Friends of the Library will follow the 3 p.m. presentation in the library conference suite, Director of Libraries John B. Smith announced. Interested persons are invited.

Several library displays will feature select items from the Dobie collection.

Dykes, a collector and dealer in

Western Americana, was a long-time friend of Dobie. The 600-item collection is notable for various reasons, among them that Dobie inscribed numerous items with sometimes pungent comments about people and books.

"This gift is further proof of Mr. Dykes' love for books and Texas A&M," President Williams said in announcing the gift last spring.

The Dobie materials were assembled by Dykes over the last

40 years. The collection includes 500 titles and copies of varied editions of 26 Dobie books. Also included are booklets, magazine articles, broadsides and materials edited by Dobie, plus publisher's catalogs featuring the author and his writings.

The Dobie items include titles that supplement standard Dobie bibliographies.

Dykes also assembled the Jeff Dykes Range Livestock Collection. With the Dobie materials

added to it, the collection now totals 5,969 items.

It is used by A&M faculty and students and visitors from other campuses, basically for scholarly research.

"Frank knew and loved an area that extended far beyond the boundaries of his native state, an area that included a sizable part of Mexico," Dykes wrote of his friend. "Frank's influence on the collectors of Western Americana has been tremendous."

Campus briefs

New engineering equipment donated to A&M

The A&M Engineering Technology Department has received four pieces of equipment donated by the Harry W. Dietert Co. of Detroit.

Jon F. Botsford, engineering technology instructor, said the gift included two new pieces of equipment and the rebuilding of two additional machines.

The Michigan company com-

pletely rebuilt a university-owned universal sand strength machine and a sand specimen rammer and added motorized controls. The new equipment includes an electric permeter (cq) and a mold hardness tester.

Botsford described the equipment as a valuable addition to the department.

Major users of the equipment

will be undergraduates working in foundry technology and undergraduate and graduate students in the area of sand study, he said.

Ham feature speaker at Physics Colloquium

A lecture by Dr. Joe S. Ham will feature the Physics Colloquium at A&M Wednesday (Sept. 29).

He will discuss "Polymers in Holland" at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Room 146 of the Physics Building.

Dr. Ham is a physics professor at A&M. The public is cordially invited to the lecture sponsored by the Departments of Physics and Chemistry.

Article by Dean Cook published in magazine

Dr. Earl F. Cook, A&M Dean of Geosciences, is the author of an article entitled "The Flow of Energy in an Industrial Society" published in the September Scientific American.

The article traces the flow of energy through the U. S. system from production of energy commodities to the ultimate conversion of energy into work for various industrial end products and waste heat.

Noting that energy consumption has been increasing recently at a rate of five percent a year,

or four times faster than the U. S. population, Dr. Cook points out that the greatest increases in consumption have been in household, commercial and transportation uses.

The article also compares the ratio of energy consumption to gross national product and the technical efficiency of various energy systems. Long range environmental problems associated with the increased consumption of energy in the United States, particularly the disposal of waste heat produced in the generation of electricity, are discussed also.

German consul tours TAMU campus

Dr. Hasso Von Maltzahn, consul of Germany assigned to Houston, toured the A&M campus Thursday to get first-hand information on academic and student exchange programs.

Assisting the President's Office with tour plans was Fredrick Mack, Ph.D. candidate in agricultural economics from Germany. Mack and freshman engineering major Uwe Schulz are the only two German students at A&M.

Dr. Von Maltzahn visited A&M President Dr. Jack K. Williams and Ed Cooper of the President's Office coordinated the meetings and tour.

The German consul said he was interested in learning about A&M

Schiwetz painting dedicated to memory of Mrs. Chapman

A Buck Schiwetz watercolor painting, "Las Farbrica," has been hung in the Memorial Student Center at A&M in honor of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Chapman.

Mrs. Chapman was MSC graphic arts supervisor and a close students' friend and co-worker. Mrs. Chapman, her husband J. D. and daughter Nancy Elizabeth died in a July, 1970, automobile accident.

The Elizabeth Todd Chapman memorial painting was hung in the MSC main lounge in Thursday ceremonies. Special guests were the late Mrs. Chapman's mother, Mrs. J. H. Todd, and father-in-law, J. V. Chapman, both of Bryan.

MSC officials, Mrs. Chapman's friends and several students at-

tended the dedication ceremony conducted by Harry K. Lesser, 1970 graduate and MSC worker.

The memorial was arranged by students and friends who worked with Mrs. Chapman. A plaque on the Schiwetz watercolor is inscribed: "Dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Chapman (1926-1970) by MSC Council and Directorate members and co-workers."

"May this memorial not only honor the memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Todd Chapman... but serve as an inspiration to each of us to follow in her footsteps by bringing credit and recognition to all A&M students, the Memorial Student Center, Texas A&M and this community," Lesser said at the dedication.

A&M profs write soph English book

A new book written by three A&M English professors is in current use in a sophomore English course.

"The Unity of English: Five Basic Focal Points" is the work of Dr. Carroll D. Laverty, Dr. Harrison E. Hieth, acting department head, and Dr. Harry P. Kroitor.

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