

Student submits 'want ad'



"He says he's going to study all night for the final exam tonight so he won't have to study all night at the end of the semester!"

Editor:

HELP WANTED—Large, thriving business needs person to organize traffic flow to handle eager customers. Present system or lack of system leaves situation totally unorganized with customers standing in long lines and wasting much time. Since our customers' time is respected and we need the business of these people, better organization is imperative. Peak business periods occur in June and July, but better customer traffic equipment desirable all during the year.

QUALIFICATIONS—At least a 3rd grade education necessary, person must have some degree of common sense and sensitivity to feelings of both staff and clientele. Knowledge of and experience in one or more of the following areas desirable: business management, systems analysis, educational administration. A&M students could easily qualify, as the situation is desperate.

The above refers to the obvious total lack of thought, care, planning or understanding shown by the planning (?) and operation of the recent registration at Texas A&M University. Total lack of organization and planning were rampant. The secretarial staff could not possibly process that

many student cards in the four hours allotted. Surely the paying students' time is of more value than shown by this bedlam. Name withheld

The above letter is the only one we have received concerning Monday's summer school

Stricklin chosen by NSF to attend research seminar

Dr. James A. Stricklin of A&M has been selected by the National Science Foundation to attend a research symposium on American-Japanese research at the University of California-Berkeley in August.

NSF is sponsoring the leading 20 U. S. and 20 Japanese scientists from universities and industry for the one-week program beginning Aug. 14. The symposium is entitled "The Second U. S.-Japan Seminar on Matrix Methods of Structural Analysis."

Dr. Stricklin is the only researcher selected from the Southwest. He also was honored with the responsibility of organizing the one-day session on non-linear analysis and will present the survey paper in that field.

The aerospace engineering professor's research efforts at A&M include investigations on shells of revolution, structures employed in construction of a space station and the deflection of the Apollo spacecraft landing on water.

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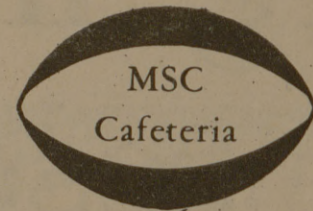
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"QUALITY FIRST"

Registration

Long lines, short tempers, a crowded Duncan Dining Hall and temperatures in the 90s—these characteristics marked summer school registration Monday at A&M.

An Aggie tradition, hurry up and wait, was matched by another long-standing custom around here, griping.

As time went on and the 6,000-plus students kept getting hassled at each table, patience was in absentia. The only thing that kept things relatively calm in the pressure cooker was a welcome incentive—the daylight at the exit door.

Complaints were heard everywhere, mistakes were made at the same places, and the setup planned by the Registrar's Office was criticized far and wide.

While several changes obviously need to be made before the next registration period a little over five weeks from now and some long-range changes should be planned, the thought that comes to mind is that it could have been much worse.

This might come as a shock to those who stood for hours Monday, but it is possible. At least everything was under one roof. At Lamar University in Beaumont, registration takes place in five separate buildings.

Also, the traffic flow at some places is not as logical as here. Personnel at the Registrar's Office drew up a flow pattern, trying to eliminate bottlenecks. They ran into hindrances when several students, secured as part-time employees specifically for registration, didn't show up for their jobs.

Another obstacle is the university bureaucracy. Naturally, each group taking part in the registration proceedings wanted everything set up to their greatest convenience. Too many times, these folks didn't realize that students had to go to stations other than the ones over which they were presiding.

But, part of the blame must be placed upon the students themselves. Some didn't know that just because they hadn't gone here before they wouldn't have card packets printed up. One bewildered Aggie was even overheard asking what day classes would begin.

All that can happen now is for both sides to recuperate, gather forces again and make plans for second session registration. It all takes place again July 13.

Good luck to all concerned—you'll need it.

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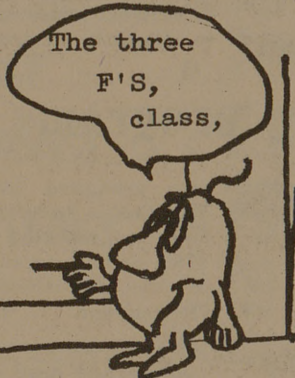
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