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to the president and secretary of the Board of Directors.

Dr. John C. Calhoun serves as A&M's vice president for academic affairs, and he is assisted by Dr. Haskell Monroe and Dr. Richard E. Wainerdi. Thomas D. Cherry is the vice president for business affairs.

A&M's Dean of Students James P. Hannigan is assisted by Dean of Men Charles Powell and Dean of Women Toby Schreiber. Edwin H. Cooper, assistant to the president, will take over as dean of admissions and records Sept. 1. His replacement has not yet been named.

Improved health care center will be completed in 1973

Twenty new, carpeted rooms and a well-equipped out-patient clinic will be included in the new health care center to be built on the former site of Mitchell Hall. The two-story structure is due to be completed in the summer of 1973, at a cost of \$1,329,650. Construction began in March as was Mitchell when removed.

"This will be one of the finest health care facilities in this part of the country," said Howard S. Perry, associate dean of students. The first floor will be an outpatient clinic. It will include a plaster-fracture room, an orthopedic room, a gastro-intestinal room, a treatment-injection room, a dental hygiene room, a laboratory and a pharmacy. There will also be a doctors' conference room and six doctors' offices. Each office will have two adjacent examination rooms.

The second floor will be for inpatients. There will be 20 double-occupancy rooms, each fully carpeted and with a call system. Every two rooms will share a bathroom-shower facility and oxygen will be piped into the rooms.

There will also be two isolation rooms, one acute room and an emergency room. Also on this floor will be a new innovation for TAMU, a mental health facility. There will be a psychiatrist's office and an observation and detention room.

The basement will contain the X-ray equipment, a kitchen and storage areas.

"Most of the staff will be transferred over from the present center, with some additions, but most of the equipment will not be. Almost all of the furnishings in the new center will be brand new," Perry said.

"We now have two full-time doctors and 12 cooperating specialists from the Bryan-College Station area handling about 4,000 patients a month. We anticipate raising this to four full-time doctors in the new center, with room for six eventually," said Perry.

There will be no operating facilities in the new building. "In most cases involving surgery, people have their own doctor and hospital where they want to go. In emergencies we have ambulances to take students to the hospital in Bryan," he said.

The new center is being financed by a bond issue and the students' building use fees, which are \$3.50 per semester. The facility will operate and pay the staff out of the student services fees paid by students.

The need for a bigger, better facility was brought out in 1969. In January of 1970, a committee including four students, two physicians, a systems architect and Perry met and worked out a proposal. This was submitted to then acting President Luedecke who approved it and passed it on to the Board of Directors. They approved it and signed the contract.

"This is really about as fast as you can move on a project and still be thorough," commented Perry.

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