

Bonanza Well Received; Feed 3,000 First 3 Days

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Editor

Bryan-College Station welcomed a new resident this week—The Bonanza Steak House. It was more like stormed rather than welcomed as over 3,000 citizens visited the rustically decorated eating establishment during the first three days of business.

Bonanza, which swung open its doors Saturday, was officially welcomed to the city Tuesday morning by the mayors of both communities and the Chamber of Commerce during grand opening celebrations.

Also present were manager Wesley Gideon and owner Sargeant Hill of Fort Worth both of whom said they were very pleased to be located in the area.

"We are proud to be here and I think this restaurant will be something the community can be proud of," Gideon said at Tues-

day's festivities. We're going to serve good food and we're here to please our customers."

Sunday, Mother's Day, Bonanza served over 1,200 people and recorded the highest receipts of any Bonanza in the nation. It also came within \$50 of being the highest in the history of the company which numbers 250 establishments.

"We expect this Bonanza to be one of the top ten in the nation," Hill said before the ceremonies began. "We also have an agreement with Culpepper Realty to extend another dining room when and if the business dictates."

Hill said that as soon as all the personnel are properly trained, it will take approximately 11 minutes to get from the ordering stand to the cashier and "that's a lot faster than table service."

Bonanza currently employs 26 people which include 12 fulltime

staff and 14 students and has a seating capacity of 186 in two separate dining rooms.

The cost of the building was \$117,000 plus over \$100,000 in soft goods such as furniture and carpeting. "We should have been open two months ago but we had problems with the weather, especially with our parking lot," Gideon said.

Gideon is not a newcomer to the community as he has been in charge of the Holiday Inn restaurant for the past two years since coming from San Antonio's Tower of the Americas and the Luby's chain in that city. He has also managed the 12 restaurant Mac Epley chain of Abilene.

He is a graduate of Trinity University where he was named a Small College All-America football player. He also played three years with professional Montreal Canadian football team for three years.

Houston Personnel Association To Confer On Campus Friday

Members of the Houston Personnel Association will visit Texas A&M Friday on their annual spring field trip.

Dave Clark of Allied Chemical, the association's program chairman, said approximately 200 members and wives are expected to tour the campus in chartered buses.

The visit, being coordinated by TAMU's Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, was arranged through Mayo J. Thompson of Houston, public relations vice president for the Association of Former Students.

Thompson noted the Houston Personnel Association includes personnel directors and employment managers of some 200 major corporations in the Houston area. He pointed out the firms represented in the association employ many TAMU alumni and are prospective employers for numerous future graduates.

Scheduled to arrive at 3 p.m., the group will take driving tours of the campus and make stops at the College of Architecture and Environmental Design, Floral Test Garden, Nuclear Science Center and College of Veterinary Medicine.

The campus visit will conclude

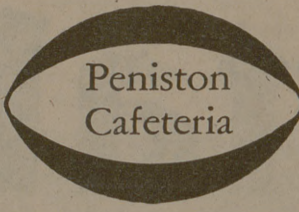
Prof On Coast

Dr. George Carter, distinguished professor of geography at Texas A&M University, is conducting archeological field work this summer in California to help confirm his unconventional theories about the antiquity of man in America.

Carter and two California associates, James Moriarty and Herb Minshall, will conduct excavations at dual sites in the San Diego area, noted Dr. Edwin Doran Jr., head of TAMU's Geography Department.

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THE FEELING WAS MUTUAL as Bryan-College Station dignitaries welcomed the Bonanza Steak House to town Tuesday morning in grand opening ceremonies. Pictured here from left to right are College Station mayor Dick Hervey, Bryan major J. E. Skrivane, Mrs. Frances Hill, owner Sargeant Hill and city manager Rand Boswell.

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