

# Firemen's training schools beginning July 20

Details are being tied together for the Firemen's Training Schools at TAMU starting July 20.

Three consecutive one-week training periods open with the 46th Municipal Firemen's Training School July 20-25. An industrial school is planned for July 27 to Aug. 1.

It will be followed Aug. 3-8 by the Firemen's Training School for Spanish-speaking firemen. Running concurrently with the Spanish school this year will be the sixth Municipal Inspectors Training School. The programs involve coordinating training programs, and providing facilities and housing for more than 4,500 participants.

Chief Henry D. Smith and the

Firemen's Training Division staff bring the elements together. A registration figure of 1,600 for the Municipal Firemen's Training School is anticipated.

Chief Smith expects each of the fire schools to have enrollment increases of 150 or more.

Participants in the 18 municipal school courses will come from work in fire prevention, control and safety, from large paid and small volunteer departments, industries

and the armed services.

Courses will range from three levels of firefighting to five in fire prevention. Also courses in instructing fire subjects and disaster rescue training will be offered. Most of the firemen will receive classroom instruction during the week.

Demonstrations in fire fighting techniques will be carried on at the Brayton Firemen's Training Field, south of Easterwood Airport.

Participation figures include in-

structors, equipment manufacturers and visitors, "because this is a working conference," Smith said. Instructors will come from large paid organizations and volunteer departments, Smith noted. They become instructors "based on their expertise in an area," he said.

The TAMU school does not train firemen from large city departments, which conduct their own training programs. A Wednesday demonstration and discussion of

new equipment, chemicals and techniques, enables the instructor to provide better service for his department.

The 1975 schools will use about \$280,000 in consumables, fuels, chemicals, surfactants and powders. All are donated. Much of the equipment also is provided free by departments, agencies and manufacturers.

"No place else in the world can manufacturers get such exposure

and publicity for their products," Smith said. "The participant sees them and uses them himself. The truck, nozzle and chemicals he handles bear the name of the maker, and they are in the hands of the potential client."

He noted that participation affects a city's insurance key rate, but "more and more we are getting firemen who want the training for training's sake."

"A greater savings to a commu-

ity than the key rate credit is in the reduction of local fire losses," he said. "This is brought about by the use of efficient firefighting methods and fire prevention measures taught and emphasized during the school."

Smith noted that many visiting firemen are housed on campus, but they also employ local motel and hotel accommodations. Numerous firemen bring their families and reside in apartments on a special one-week arrangement.

## Elderly getting bus rides

Elderly persons needing transportation in the Rio Grande Valley are now finding some of their needs answered through a Department of Health, Education and Welfare project which involved TAMU.

TAMU's Safety Education Program, headed by Dr. Jack Weaver, responded last spring to a request to train a dozen bus drivers from all over South Texas.

The drivers were briefed not only on handling their 42-seat vehicles but also on coping with special aspects of elderly riders.

The program and its results are now getting a close evaluation by HEW and the Governor's Committee on Aging.

Reports of success in the program, notes Weaver, have stirred interest in expanding it. Approval of such expansion could mean another 100 drivers being trained at TAMU over a two-year period.

Meanwhile, elderly citizens from the Valley communities have had a little easier time getting around.

Since many of the riders are Spanish-speaking, the drivers are usually bilingual.

## PV wheat crop plowed for science

PVAMU's first wheat crop of a three-year effort aiding the National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA) remote sensing project has been plowed under and the field prepared for winter wheat.

The crop is part of a project that is helping NASA fine-tune its satellite images of wheat during three daily fly-overs.

PVAMU researchers help monitor conditions locally and provide information to NASA, which in turn uses the data to adjust the images from the satellite.

From such adjustments, future satellites may be able to tell what crops are growing where and how they are doing.

Preliminary plans call for an October planting of the field that was plowed under this week.

Researchers believe that aside from the value of the work to NASA, the project will yield valuable information on the actual growth process of the wheat.

## Researchers on 4-week dig at Ft. Richardson

TAMU researchers are in the field at Ft. Richardson State Park near Jacksboro on a four-week project requested by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.

The TAMU team has been asked to locate sites of the old fort's kitchen; enlisted men's barracks and parade ground. The fort in North Central Texas was established in 1867 and abandoned about 11 years later.

Directing field work is Dr. Bruce Dixon, who joins the anthropology faculty as an assistant professor this fall. He comes to TAMU from the University of Tennessee.

Also in the field are Ed Baxter, archaeologist, and students Tom Stearns, Ricky Wilson and Karen Smith.

Findings of the team may be used for future restoration of the buildings. Several structures have already been rebuilt.

A base for the 4th and 6th Cavalry, Ft. Richardson was drawn, due to its location and a visit by Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman, into events surrounding one of the better-known Indian battles, the Warren Wagon Train attack.

The incident also involved Indian hunter Gen. Ranald McKenzie and Kiowa chiefs Big Tree, Satanta, Satank and Kicking Bird who were later arrested.

During its heyday, Ft. Richardson was one of the largest in Texas.

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1½ lbs. calf steak (round or tip), ½" thick  
½ cup butter  
½ bay leaf  
½ cup white wine

Cut calf steak in thin strips about 1" wide and 8" long. Roll in seasoned flour and tie each strip in a knot. Saute in butter until well browned. Add bay leaf. Cover and cook slowly for 20 minutes, turning occasionally. Add white wine and heat just to boiling. Season with salt and pepper to taste and serve at once. Serves 6.

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