

## Corps of Cadets' new leaders officially installed last week

New leadership of Texas A&M's Corps of Cadets was installed the 101st time last Wednesday, with optimism running through the Commanders Conference meeting.

The cadet officers' oath was given to 1976-77 Corps Commander Robert Harvey, Deputy Commander Jerry Krenke and other seniors.

"I feel we are in for a productive, positive year," said Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services. "We have a high calibre of leadership in the Corps and Student Government. Everyone is excited. That in itself is beneficial," Koldus told

200 cadets. "It's snowballish; it adds to itself."

"Solid progress" was assessed of the 1975-76 school year by Gen. Ormond R. Simpson, assistant vice president for student services. He charged cadet officers that it be continued.

"The Corps has leadership this year that is strong, aggressive and imaginative," Simpson stressed. "You have all the tools. It's up to you and to the Corps."

Col. Thomas R. Parsons sounded notes of optimism and indicated that Corps strength has increased to more than 2,300, not including gains

from the makeup new student conference in progress. He said final figures will be obtained from second class week morning reports.

Koldus recounted President Jack K. Williams' summer medical problems and comeback for cadet leaders who were not on campus.

"Dr. Williams has been through a summer that would have killed anyone else," Simpson remarked. "There were three points at which he was given little chance of pulling through. But the doctors failed to take into account one thing; the amount of heart this man has."

## A&M receives second scholarship from real-estate appraisers' group

Texas A&M University has received its second scholarship in two weeks from the Society of Real Estate Appraisers. The latest is from Houston's Chapter No. 83.

The scholarship is for \$500 annually and was announced by Dr. A. B. Wooten, director of the Texas Real Estate Research Center (TREC) here. The award was established through the Texas A&M University Development Fund.

"We are excited about the establishment of this scholarship and hope it will further interest in real estate studies," said Lee Burns, public relations chairman for the Houston chapter. "We look forward to working with Texas A&M in the forthcoming semesters."

In accepting the latest scholarship, Dr. Wooten praised the Society of Real Estate Appraisers for "their obvious appreciation of the

need of the industry for trained real estate professionals."

Dr. Wooten accepted a similar scholarship last week from appraisers in Fort Worth.

The Houston chapter's scholarship, effective with the 1976-77 academic year, is for a student who has demonstrated ability by successfully completing at least two semesters of college work.

## MSC craft shop activities resume with workshops

Organized class activities resume soon in the Memorial Student Center craft shop at Texas A&M University.

A variety of instructed workshops are scheduled this fall for Texas A&M students, faculty and staff. The non-credit workshops will be conducted by qualified persons in special interest areas.

Workshops will be held on ceramics, visual arts, jewelry, handcrafts, fibers, needle arts and special interest areas such as string art, sand terrariums and bread dough.

They are designed, said Karen Zantow, for enjoyment as well as opportunity for self-development. Zantow is the MSC program coordinator.

The workshops run from three to nine weeks, meeting evenings once a week. Participants use the fully equipped shop in the MSC basement. Charges are made for materials.

Registration will be Sept. 6 at 11 a.m. in the shop. An A&M ID card must be shown and fees paid, said Zantow. Reservations may not be made by phone. Workshop enrollment is limited by subject matter and facility size.

An organizational meeting is planned for Sept. 9, at which workshop students and instructors will discuss supplies and goals.

Zantow noted that craft shop equipment is available for use by persons not enrolled in workshops, provided they are TAMU students, faculty or staff. Such use is limited to regular shop hours when equipment is not in workshop use.

Craft shop hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. weekdays, and 1 to 7 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

## College leaders say students should be able to get loans

AUSTIN — Several college presidents have told a College Coordinating Board hearing that students applying for loans should not be penalized because earlier students defaulted on such loans.

It may even be a violation of the current student's constitutional rights, some of the presidents said Monday, and those students could sue to block proposed cuts in the state loan program.

The legislature created the Hinson-Hazlewood program in 1965, authorizing \$285 million in bonds for loan to needy students.

The federal government began insuring the loans in 1970, and now the U.S. Office of Education says it will cut the program's lending capacity 29 per cent because of a default rate of 15.56 per cent.

The federal office says it will suspend that reduction if the board agrees to limit student loans to institutions with default rates less than 10 per cent.

The committee conducting the hearing will make recommendations to the full board.

Students declaring bankruptcy totaled 3,800 in the nation last year. Some student newspapers reportedly have published stories advising students that "loopholes" will permit them to avoid payment of the loans, adding a telephone number where information on bankruptcy can be obtained.

Most of the speakers at the hearing head predominantly black colleges, including Prairie View A&M, Huston-Tillotson, Texas Southern, Paul Quinn, Bishop and Texas College of Tyler.

Dr. Allen Hancock, president of Texas College, said more than 50 per cent of the students at his school probably would not have gone beyond high school if such loans had not been available. He suggested collection through some form of income tax.

Dr. John King, president of Huston-Tillotson, said his school had done all it could to see that the loans were repaid. "We've even used the

phrase, 'This is not a giveaway program.' We've told them time and time again, 'This is not a grant. This is a loan.'"

George McLaughlin, vice president for student affairs at Lamar University, said, "The coordinating board must delegate to the institutions some authority if you are going to hold us responsible."

For other types of student loans, schools usually include on the note authorization for hiring collection agencies in the event of default; they have no such authority with Hinson-Hazlewood loans.

Robert Logan, director of financial aid at Texas A&M University, was too late to cancel loans this spring for this semester. That call of the federal government, he said, "They always do something this 'three days after the fact' started," he said.

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Station manager, Phil Williams, says that he needs persons who have worked for the station in the past to fill gaps in the radio's work schedule immediately. He added though, that any person, experienced or not, will be interviewed for the voluntary position.

Shifts at the station will be four hours each. KANM operates 24-hours a day, seven days a week and has a progressive format.

Students interested should contact Williams at the station, 846-1612, or attend the meeting to be held on Thursday at 7 p.m. The meeting will be at the Ridgcrest Barber Shop at 3605 S. Texas Ave. in Bryan.


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