

The first weekend in May end a year and begin a life



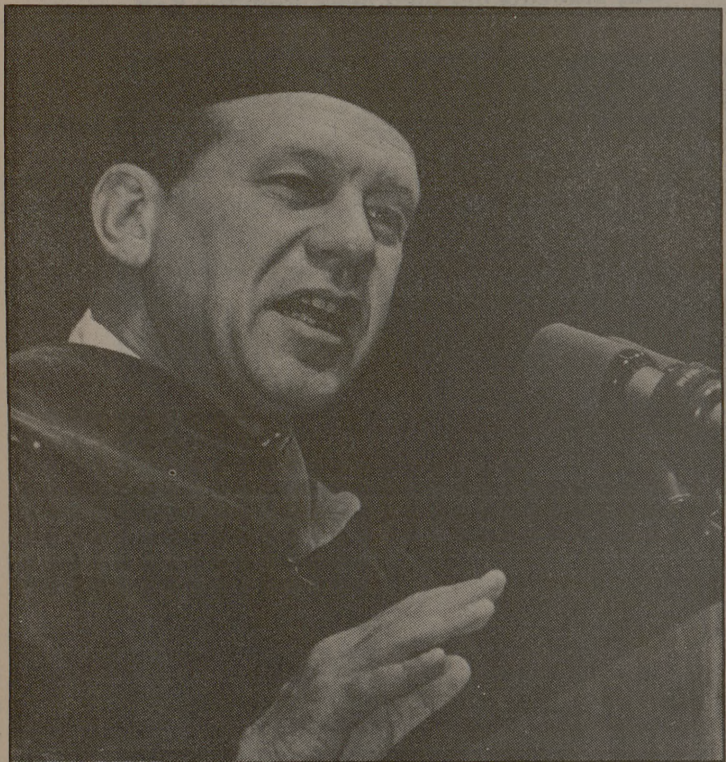
A broken arm didn't keep Glen Dishong from leading Company S-2 through Final Review.



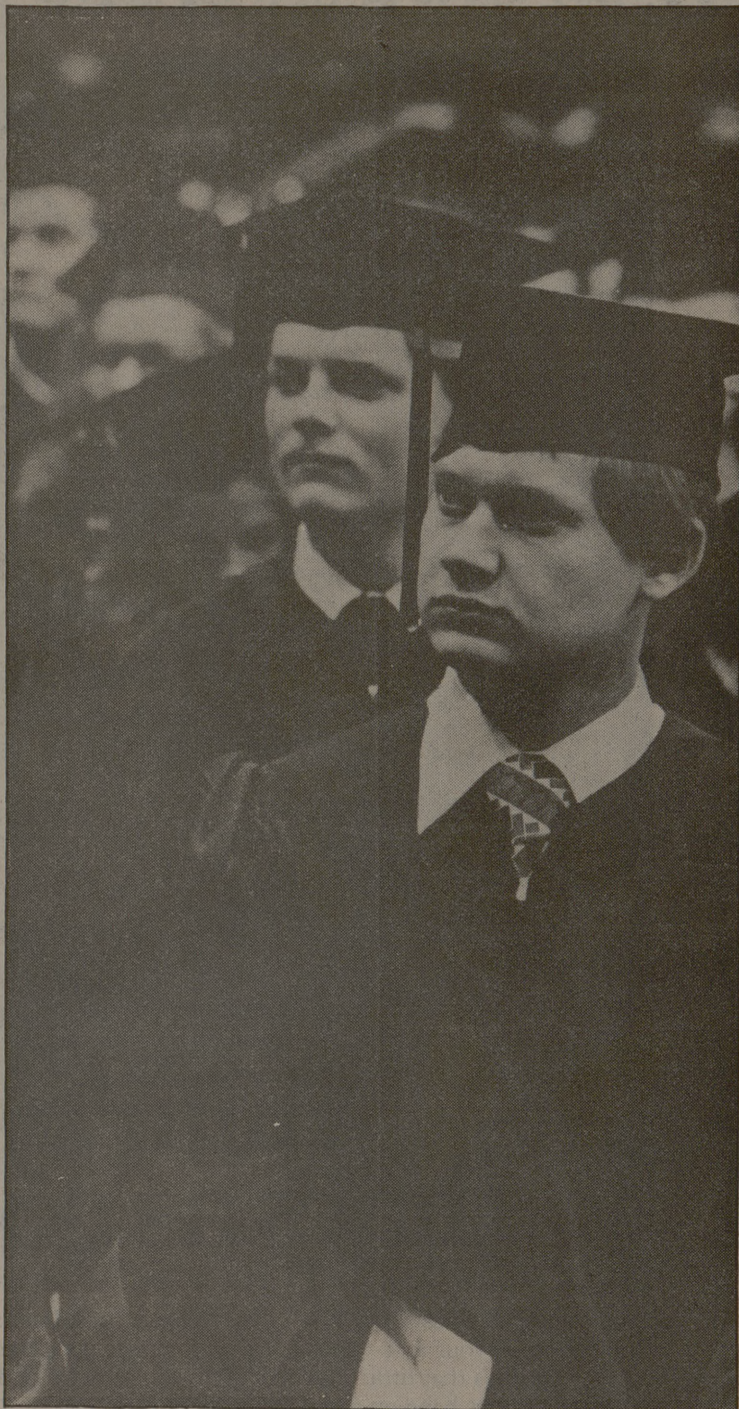
Picture-happy parents with their cameras are as traditional as Final Review itself, above. Right, James Dees of Houston, Aggie Band head drum major, gets his share of sympathy from well-wishers.



An Aggie senior wears his class ring over his dress white gloves to show the world that he is indeed a "zip."



Texas Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby tells the graduates to expect many challenges before they earn their place in society.



The farmers and scientists of tomorrow impatiently await one thing — diplomas with their names on them.



Two young spectators wave to their special graduate during Saturday's commencement exercises.

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Final Review and commencement bring many moments of bitter-sweet joy to Texas A&M University each spring. For seniors in the Corps, Final Review marks the end of four very short years as a cadet and the beginning of a career as an officer or as a civilian. For graduating seniors, commencement ends the years of study and begins the life toward which that study has been aimed.



Dr. Haskell Monroe, dean of faculties and associate vice president for academic affairs, flashes a less-than-solemn "Gig 'em" as he leads the procession of dignitaries and students into G. Rollie White Coliseum for commencement.