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 Tues., Jan. 29 Formal Meeting. 7 p.m. in Room 301 Rudder. Business Attire.
 Thurs., Jan. 31 Dress for Success Workshop. 7 p.m. in Room 201 MSC. Business Attire.

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STATE AND LOCAL

A&M to compete with business' best

By **REBECCA ADAIR**
 Reporter

Many people may wonder what it's like to make policy decisions for a major corporation, but five Texas A&M business students will be given the chance to do just that.

These students will participate in a case-study competition designed for top-ranked undergraduate business students — the fourth annual McIntire Commerce Invitational (MCI-IV). The three-day competition will be Feb. 7-10 at the University of Virginia.

Dr. Robert E. Hoskisson, assistant professor of management, will act as faculty advisor for the first A&M team to compete in the tournament. The team comprises Diane Baumbach, Renell Carter, Stephen Schwarzbach, Jeffrey Early and alternate, Michelle Weishaar. All are senior business majors.

The team members were nominated and chosen by the College of Business Administration Fellows from the business administration honor students, Hoskisson said.

Students are preparing for the competition by visiting a Masters of Business Administration class and by practicing case presentations before the MBA class. This competition is the only undergraduate business case competition in the nation. Each year five schools are invited to compete.

Schools competing this year are A&M, the University of Florida-Gainesville, the University of Illinois, the University of Minnesota, and de-

fending champion, the University of Notre Dame.

The policy case given to the competitors, written by the McIntire School of Commerce faculty members, is based on an actual company. The faculty members meet with the cooperating organization and compile the necessary data.

Case topics range from handling high growth situations to making decisions about the future of a company's operations.

Once the competition begins, the team is given 15 hours to analyze the case and prepare a five to six page written solution and an oral defense. The team must then face a 30-minute question-and-answer session. The winning team returns the following year to defend its title.

Judging is done by a panel of prominent members of the business community and a representative from The General Electric Foundation, the competition's sponsor.

Funded through a grant from the foundation, the competition is planned and managed entirely by students during the course of a year.

The major objectives of the competition, the competition's chairman said, are: "to create a national showcase for bachelor degree candidates in business from among the nation's finest undergraduate programs; to arouse industry and media awareness of the importance of bachelor degree candidates in business; and to provide an opportunity for both participants and their schools to gain national exposure and to benefit from contact with other undergraduates from around the nation."

Pesticide damages cotton crops in Texas

Associated Press

AMARILLO — The Texas Department of Agriculture said Thursday it is seeking a record \$24,250 in fines from 38 pesticide applicators and dealers for damage to cotton crops in Deaf Smith, Parmer and Castro counties.

Ron White, assistant TDA commissioner, told a news conference that the High Plains cotton suffered damage last summer after it was in-

advertently exposed to the herbicide 2,4-D.

Names of the alleged violators of state pesticide laws were not released. The TDA said some of them have not yet received the official letter of citation.

White said 2,4-D is intended for use on grain crops to kill weeds and is strictly prohibited from use near cotton.

Around town

Amnesty International sponsors race

Saturday, Amnesty International Roadrunners will hold a 5k "Run Against Torture." The race begins at 8:30 a.m. on Joe Ross Boulevard at G. Rollie White. An awards ceremony will begin at 9:25 a.m. at the starting line. Registration is \$6 in advance and \$8 on the day of the race. Forms can be obtained from A1 or Roadrunners at 216 MSC. Proceeds will go to Amnesty International USA.

TAMU After Hours offers driving class

The TAMU After Hours Program will sponsor a Driver Safety Course Saturday. This course may be used to have certain traffic violations dismissed and to receive a 10 percent discount on automobile insurance. Registration is held 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in 216 MSC. For more information, call 845-1515.

Service sorority holds Founders' Day

Delta Sigma Theta is presenting its First Annual Founders' Luncheon on Sunday at 2 p.m. in 201 MSC. Dr. Edith Irlay Jones, president of the National Medical Association will be the guest speaker. For more information contact Teresa Brashear at 260-8888 or Karen Williams at 260-8389.

Sports Car Club hosts autocross Sunday

The TAMU Sports Car Club will hold Spring Autocross Saturday. The event is open to everyone and competition will be with cars of the same class. Registration begins at 9 a.m. in Zachry Parking lot 51. Timed runs begin at 1 p.m. There will be a registration fee and trophies awarded.

Class of '86 hosts masquerade ball

Friday, February 1 the Class of '86 will present a Masquerade Ball at the MSC. Tickets are \$12 per couple and will be available Jan. 28-Feb. 1 at the MSC and the Commons. For details and more information call Olga Perez Garcia at 260-0209.

Hillel Foundation offers night classes

A series of Tuesday night classes will be offered by the Hillel Foundation. An Introduction to Hebrew Language (7 p.m.-8 p.m.) and An Introduction to the fundamentals of Jewish mysticism (8 p.m.-9 p.m.) will begin Jan. 29 at the Hillel Bldg. The registration fee is only \$10 payable the first night of classes or at the Hillel office opened weekday 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

To submit an item for this column, come by The Battalion office 216 Reed McDonald.

TALK TO DRAPER

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 Texas A&M University

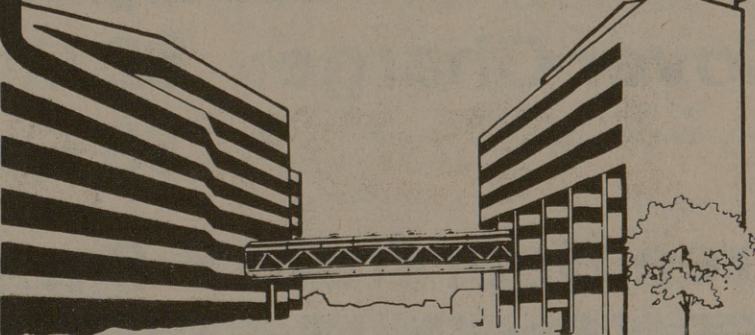
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