

Dedication Ceremony

October 1, 1991



A&M COLLEGE CONSOLIDATED RURAL SCHOOL

THE STATE OF TEXAS GRANTED A CHARTER FOR AN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENCOMPASS THE TEXAS A&M COLLEGE CAMPUS IN 1909. BECAUSE THERE WAS NOT A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN THE DISTRICT TO SUPPORT A SCHOOL, A&M PRESIDENT WILLIAM BIZZELL AND PROFESSOR MARTIN HAYES, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL TEACHING, PERSUADED THE LEADERS OF THREE SURROUNDING COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO SEND THEIR STUDENTS TO A NEW SCHOOL TO BE LOCATED ON THE COLLEGE CAMPUS.

THE NEW SCHOOL OPENED IN 1920 WITH 304 STUDENTS. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY A&M COLLEGE WITH FUNDING FOR BUILDINGS, TEACHER SALARIES, FURNITURE, AND EQUIPMENT. IT BECAME A MODEL FOR RURAL SCHOOLS IN THE AREA, AND BY 1928 THE SURROUNDING SCHOOL DISTRICTS OFFICIALLY DISSOLVED AND MERGED WITH A&M COLLEGE CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

BY 1938 THE SCHOOL FACILITIES HAD BECOME OVERCROWDED. BECAUSE THE COLLEGE WAS NOT ABLE TO INCREASE ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INSTITUTION, THE SCHOOL MOVED OFF OF THE A&M CAMPUS IN 1940. WITH THE MOVE CAME THE GENESIS OF THE COLLEGE STATION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.



*The Brazos County Historical Commission
cordially invites you to the*

*A&M College
Consolidated Rural School*

Marker Dedication

on

Tuesday October 1, 1991

12:00 noon

2118 Welsh St.

College Station, Texas

PROGRAM

Welcome Dr. Charles Schultz,
Chairman, Brazos County
Historical Commission

The National Anthem Craig Biondi
Clark Hughes
Tiger Band Members

Recognition of Guests Dr. Ray Chancellor,
Superintendent, CSISD

Texas Historical
Marker Program Dr. Charles Schultz
Chairman, Brazos County
Historical Commission

Brief History of the
College Station Independent
School District Ms. Caroline Mitchell
Former Teacher,
A&M Consolidated High School

Presentation
of the Marker Dr. Gary Halter,
Chairman, College Station
Historic Preservation Committee

Acceptance of
Marker Mrs. Deanna Wormuth,
President, CSISD
Board of Trustees

Will Matthews,
President, A&M Consolidated
High School Student Body

