

Boost The A. & M. Wildcat!

TEXAS CHESS CLUB WILL NOT COME TO A. & M.

Forfeits Tournament By Disbanding of Team Through Graduation of Some of Best Players.

Members of our Chess Club, and other followers of the game were greatly disappointed when the report came from Austin that the University of Texas Chess Club had been disbanded and that they would not visit us for a return match.

Last Thanksgiving our Chess Team went to Austin, and took a severe defeat at the hands of the University players, and ever since have been practicing hard for the return match that was agreed upon at that time.

The excuse that Texas offers for not coming is that they lost, due to graduation, and other causes, two or three of their best players and were not in condition to meet our team successfully.

We regret that such is the case. When we went down to Austin, we went there on short notice. The team we had was poorly trained, and we had only a short time to prepare for the match. We lost, but that did not bother us, as the University had agreed to come to College for a return match, together with their basketball team.

Up to but a few days ago our team fully expected the Austin club to make its appearance on the fourth of this month, and extensive preparations had been made. Our team was looking forward to these games as an excellent chance for revenge for the Thanksgiving defeat. They are in good condition, and have made excellent progress. We are sorry that the University team is no more.

WIRELESS PHONE NOW INSTALLED AT A. & M. PLANT

Student Operators Receive and Deliver 247 Messages During Month of January.

The E. E. Department is perfecting the operation of an S. C. R. type 67-A Radio Telephone which is installed in the radio room of the E. E. Building and has gotten some splendid results already. The radio department has established an Inter-collegiate Press Service and intends to do the transmitting by radio telephone in the near future. The voice coming in over the radio set sounds exactly as it would over the telephone and messages can be handled much quicker this way than by the use of code. A card was received from Canton, Ohio, yesterday saying that the phone came in very loud there. Improvements are still being made on the set and it is hoped that it will be perfected in the near future. Houston and Austin have already been worked and both reported the phone messages as coming very loud. At some later date concerts may be sent out to the amateurs over the state.

Very good work is being done with the radio apparatus. During the single month of January, a total of 247 messages were handled at the station. The Intercollegiate Press Service idea, inaugurated by Mr. Tolson a Junior student at A. and M. is growing and many colleges all over the United States are now sending Radio press reports to other colleges. The Daily Texan runs a number of radio press reports every day and it enables the schools to keep in touch with each other. The A. and M. Chess Club has challenged the Chess Club of the University of a chess tournament by radio and arrangements are being made to hold it at an early date.

A. and M. in general holds its Radio service in high esteem and takes much pride in the highly equipped station operated by cadets of the corps.

ANNOUNCE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

Dean E. J. Kyle has received notification that Civil service examinations will be held on February 23 to fill the positions of plant propagator and investigator in poultry and egg handling.

The examination for plant propagator is to fill a position in the Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, for duty at Chico, California, with a salary of \$1800 a year. The other examination is to fill vacancies in the Bureau of Chemistry, Department of Agriculture, for service in the field, at salaries ranging from \$1620 to \$2400 a year.

S. M. U. CHORAL CLUB COMING TO A. & M. FEB. 9

Bevy of Beautiful Girl Musicians Will Storm Aggie Land With Captivating Program Next Week.

The Southern Methodist University Choral Club consisting of thirty-six girls will give a concert in Guion Hall at the A. and M. College of Texas, Wednesday night, February 9th. The club will come here from Austin. They are making a tour of a number of points in Texas.

Standard choral works will compose the program and these will be supplemented and varied by vocal and violin solos and pianologues.

Vocal soloists selected by Professor Harold Hart Tood, director of the choral club are Miss Valerie Fleming, Miss Ruby Thomas, Miss Wilma Knight, sopranos, and Miss Armine Park, also. Some of the vocal soloists will be accompanied with violin obligato by the violin soloists. Both duets and trios as well as solos will be played by the violinists. Miss Kathleen Chrisman will give pianologues.

Members of the club who have been chosen are: first sopranos, Pauline Bunkley, Stamford; Pearl Miller, Amarillo; Lois McGaughy, Gilmer; Blanche Brotherton, Dallas; Annell Bullock, Tyler; Valeria Fleming, Mount Vernon; Wilma Knight, Paris; Grace Conner, Dallas; Ruth Chandler, Weatherford; altos, Ruth Hocker, Clarksville; Maurine Seay, Ardmore, Okla.; Irene Hester, Cleburne; Katherine Berry, Dallas; Gertrude Miller, Amarillo; Alma Lovelless, Dallas; Louise Moore, Grand Prairie; Mary Trotter, Burkburnett; Roberta Wynn, Dallas; Doris Jones, Temple; Lorene Ledbetter, Cooper; second sopranos, Mary Dickinson, Lubbock; Armine Park, Stamford; Lula Winkler, Dallas; Laura Lee Langford, Haskell; Vera Fraser, Dallas; Ruby Thomas, Mart; Pauline Wynn, Ruston, La.; Aileen Love, Pecos; Rebecca Scott, Newbern, Tenn.; Oressa E. Teague, Abilene; Adelia Crow, Munger; Leota Hass, Okmulgee, Okla.; Laura Blanche Tidwell, Ennis.

TEXTILE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT HAS FIRE SCARE

A fire which threatened to be one of the most destructive we have had broke out in the T. E. Building Wednesday afternoon. A rock or similar object is thought to have been hidden in the cotton, and when it started on its way through the first cleaning machine, was ground between two steel pressing rolls when sparks must have been created, setting the cotton on fire. C. S. Anshick, who had charge of the machines at the time, immediately gave the alarm, and got busy extinguishing the flame. To his speedy and efficient effort is due the credit for saving the Cotton Mill from becoming a total loss. As it was, the fire did little damage and merely created a half hour of excitement in the Textile building.

COLONEL BUCK ADDRESSES THE CADET OFFICERS

Hero of Cantigny Commends Showing Made by Corps. Gives Advice in Disciplinary Matters.

Sunday afternoon in the parlor of the "Y" at the request of Cadet Major Warden, Colonel Beaumont Bonaparte Buck, Commander of the 20th Infantry at Camp Travis, and distinguished military leader in the great war, addressed the officers of the cadet corps on various topics of interest to them. Colonel Buck was overseas in command of the Second Brigade of the First Division, the brigade which made the first and successful American attacks upon the Germans at Cantigny, May 28, 1918, and which later won further fame at Soissons. For the brilliancy of these performances Col. Buck was given the decoration of the Legion of Honor by the French, the Corix de Guire with two palms, the American Distinguished Service Cross, and was placed in charge of the Third Division by General Pershing which Division General Buck led in the Argonne fighting.

After introductions, Colonel Buck spoke of the excellent showing made by the cadet corps of the college on parade and at all formations, even those at which the men did not know they were under observation. The erect carriage and military bearing of the cadets was a pleasure to see stated Col. Buck, even to a man who had been observing troops for 30 years. Discipline, its purpose and meaning, and methods of obtaining it were next brought up for discussion. The Reserve Corps and active service after graduation for the specified time were recommended. The status of army officers coming from such sources as A. and M. College was discussed as being on plane with any officers the army might obtain. The fact was brought out that the Military Academy at West Point cannot supply all the officers required by the army and that the future will see officers coming from all the sources now inaugurated by the War Department. Maj. Morris, in charge of the Infantry, R. O. T. C. Unit was present. A number of men from the enlisted personnel likewise attended.

Johnnie's now in heaven they
At least he surely went that
Little Jane was happy when
She found a lump of KCN
"Pa likes lot of sweets" said
So she put it in his tea
(Strange how died and suicide
Rhyme so well with cyanide)

To a C. I. A. Mouse
(With apologies to Burns)
Ye wee, bold, nervy thieving beastie,
O, what a panic's in my breastie
Thou make'st me start aw' as hasty
Wi' ye bickering brattle!
I wad be laith to have ye rin an'
chase me
Wi' murd'ring pattle!

I'm truly sorry thy dominion
Has broken up my closet's union
An' justifies that ill opinion
Which makes me startle
At thee, thou, poor, low-down companion
But ever-present mortal.

Doubt ye na, whiles thou from me
thave,
That I, poor creature, twa maun live?

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MASONIC CLUB BUILDING PLAN NOW ASSURED

Handsome Structure Planned to be Completed for Use During 1921-22 Session.

For some time the Masonic Club has been working on a plan by which they might construct a building for their meetings and lounging hours and the building is now assured. Definitely, the purpose is to build a Masonic Club Building near the A. and M. College Campus.

It has been estimated that the desired building will cost between \$75,000 and \$100,000 dollars. The building will be a lasting monument to Freemasonry.

The building when erected will provide a meeting place for Master Masons to measure and lay out their work, and give wholesome instructions to their less informed brothers.

Each year a large number of cadets, who are Master Masons come to A. and M. College, and the principal aim and object of this building is to provide a place where such cadets, visiting Alumni and strangers may be made welcome.

An appeal is made to all Master Masons and they are urged to write to their friends and invite their aid in this undertaking. And when at last their weary feet shall have come to the end of life's toilsome journey, and from their nervous grasp, shall drop for ever the working tools of life, the record of each builder's part shall be placed on perpetual record and his Masonic light forever shine.

Any sum you may be willing to contribute for the purpose will be gladly accepted.

It is preferred that such payments be made at once if convenient. If not convenient a note payable before June 1st, 1921 will be accepted.

For any further information see S. G. Bailey, President, A. and M. Masonic Club or Geo. Smart, Treasurer, Masonic Building Fund.

When the years were but infancy
In the ancient cradle of the
Man wandered the earth like
thing,
Groping and blind in the
And the high gods saw his
They had only fashioned
So they said: "We must gi-
tyrant,
If his soul we are to save
Then they made them the
creature—
Ah! the high gods th-
wise!
With heart of brass and hair
And two twin stars for e-

They filled all her years wit
They filled all her hours
But her head they left as
As the sounding kettle-d
Oh! they made them the
creature,
And man to her yoke
bent;
Smiles are her cruellest wea-
Her weakness in her str-

She charms by display of s-
She concealeth her ears
toes;
And they gave her red pas-
features,

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ONLY PERFECTION SATISFIES.

Works, of the Artillery, and Walker, of the Signal Corps, were observed the other day to be in a very bad humor. They looked glum and dissatisfied with the world in general. When asked, they stated that they had been pursued by hard luck ever since they made their initial entry into this hard and cruel world. "For instance, look what happened to us today", they said; "we had an excellent chance to make a fairly good score at rifle practice, but as we said, hard luck was sitting at our elbows. 200 was all that we needed to make, in order to have a perfect score, and most cruel of all fates, we made only a paltry 199."

Pshaw!

MANY TEXANS IN NATIONAL AGRONOMY SOCIETY

Much Progress Has Been Made By A. and M. Branch of Large National Organization.

The annual meeting of the society at Springfield, Mass., in October marked a milestone in the progress of agronomic work, relates the journal of the American Society of Agronomy of January. The above words would have little weight within themselves were it not for the fact that the editorial containing the above mentioned statement went further and showed in exact words that a great stimulus was given the society by the formation of the Texas Branch of the society at A. and M. College of Texas. Of the 77 new active members recently added 54 are from three states, 24 from Iowa, 18 from Texas and 12 from Kansas. Texas now leads with a total of 42 members while Kansas is a close second with 38.

The agronomy field is wide, and one which issues a great challenge and heretofore men have not accepted the challenge. Several reasons may be given for that; one that is most readily thought of is the fact that the heads of agronomy departments have not kept themselves strictly to the business side of it as has been the case with some other departments of the schools. Probably the best explanation that can be given of that is the fact that the field is so large and so much time must be devoted to disseminating knowledge along those various lines that the instructors have not been given time to look out for the job side, that part so essentially necessary to the student pursuing such courses. But that is changing and more time is being given to strengthen the chair that connects the man with his future vocation.

Further than this the Journal opens the way to possibilities of research and investigation in the hitherto unexplored fields of the work showing beyond a doubt that the fields so open present better opportunities for advancement than any other line of work at present. This may seem too much of a prophecy and a bit overdrawn at a casual glance but when we as students of agriculture look well into the situations before us and realize that all permanent agriculture is based on a knowledge of the soil and crops, we can then realize the magnitude of the work. Texas as yet is not cursed with the fate of having to resort to fertilizers but any well informed student of agriculture has foresight enough to appreciate the fact that the soil fertility is not what it was 50 years ago.

Further than that, he can visualize the condition, due to excessive erosion of the land due to improper drainage construction and disastrous cropping systems that deplete the soil when it will take the closest husbanding of the farm to make it return its fertility to say nothing of the more difficult matter of rebuilding.

A fertile, productive, healthy soil like the well-developed, healthy body, (Continued on Page 3)

DR. ROSS ON RUSSIA BEFORE A. & M. STUDENTS

Delivered Remarkable Address and Defended Russia Against Erroneous Newspaper Reports

After being introduced by Dr. Bizzell as the foremost authority on subjects relating to Russia in the United States, Dr. Ross of the University of Wisconsin, proceeded to make one of the most remarkable and astounding talks ever heard in the Chapel. Stating that the newspapers of this country had grossly and unjustly exaggerated the facts, he went on to say, that while traveling twenty thousand miles in Russia, he did not witness a single outrage or violence of the sort with which we are so familiar thru the columns of the press. The reason why the second Russian Revolution that put the Bolsheviks into power had to be staged, he said was due to the fact that the peasants which form the majority of Russia's population were not satisfied with the results gained by the first upheaval. The Aristocrats, who, under the old regime owned all, or most of the land, still owned it, while the others enjoyed barely the absolute necessities of life. Since the new Government did not have the power to enforce laws, and the natives in the drunkenness of newly gained freedom did not recognize nor accept constituted authority, and since the revolution failed to bring about the hoped for millennium the people soon became disgusted, and each community took the law into its own hands. The people swarmed the estates of the land owners and divided them up amongst them, the 16,000,000 soldiers became a public burden, and the newly returned 90,000 political refugees spread their evil influence among the masses.

After glorifying the ideals of Bolshevism, and defending the policies of the Soviets he went on to say, that Russia, under the new order, really never had a chance to demonstrate the practicability of its systems of government; since the general Armistice was signed, Russia has been continually attacked on 14 fronts by two million men; France, due to its pecuniary interests in that country, did everything in its power to fight the Bolsheviki government, and England, who, in his point of view, is controlled entirely by the idle classes, did the same. The American Government also came in for a roasting; he said that he could not understand why this of all Governments should be on unfriendly relations with the only nation in the world whose government is formed by the working classes.

After this interesting and peculiar address was over, President Bizzell invited all those that wished to do so, to come up to the platform, and ask Dr. Ross questions, and a lively and enlightening discussion ensued.

PRESBYTERIANS WILL MEET WHILE REV. MATTHEWS IS AT DENTON CONFERENCE.

Rev. Matthews left last Monday for a ten day trip to Austin, Dallas and Denton where he will participate in the Texas College Students Conference, so he will be absent on Sunday, February 6th. The Presbyterian group, however, will meet as usual according to Mr. Matthews' wish, and they are fortunate in having Rev. Trainum as speaker in Rev. Matthews' absence. Rev. Trainum is well known to the students and faculty and it is expected that many will want to hear him. The service will be held in the Y. M. C. A. chapel, from 6:45 to 7:30. T. F. Buie, Bloodworth, F. M. Leverett, Jones and L. Matthews will assist in the program immediately preceding the address of the evening. Reynaul will play and Boise expects to lead the singing. All Presbyterians, Christians, Episcopalians, Congregationalists and others are cordially invited to be present and help in making this the best service so far.