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Fourteen Aggies To Be In Colleges Who's Who

Musicians To Return Sunday

To Put On Show For Servicemen At Houston USO

W. M. Turner, director of the Aggeland Orchestra and the Singing Cadets, has announced that instead of returning from their trip on Sunday morning, as they had at first intended, the two organizations will put on a show at the Houston U. S. O. that afternoon and return on the train which arrives here at 6:12 p.m.

Their main purpose in making the trip is to play at the party which will be given by the Humble Oil Company in celebration of the production of the one-millionth gallon of gasoline by that corporation. Their performance will be given Saturday night at the dance, although the party and convention will last from Thursday to Sunday.

Conner Dinner Attended By More Than 350 Friends

A. B. Conner retiring head of Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and Mrs. Conner were honored last night at a banquet given by the Experiment Station staff and attended by more than 250 persons from the Experiment Station, Extension Service, and faculty and administrative departments of A. & M.

The banquet in Sbis annex was given honoring Conner's long period of useful service to the Experiment Station. He was given a fine watch and Mrs. Conner was given a fitted leather case by the Experiment Station staff.

Main addresses of the evening was by A. L. Ward, Educational Director of National Cotton Seed Crushers Association; C. H. McDowell, vice-director of the Experiment Station, presided; A. D. Jackson, chief of the division of publications, acted as toastmaster; and Dr. G. S. Fraps, chief of the division of chemistry, presented the gifts.

B. & C. U. Asks That No Outdoor Christmas Lights Be Used

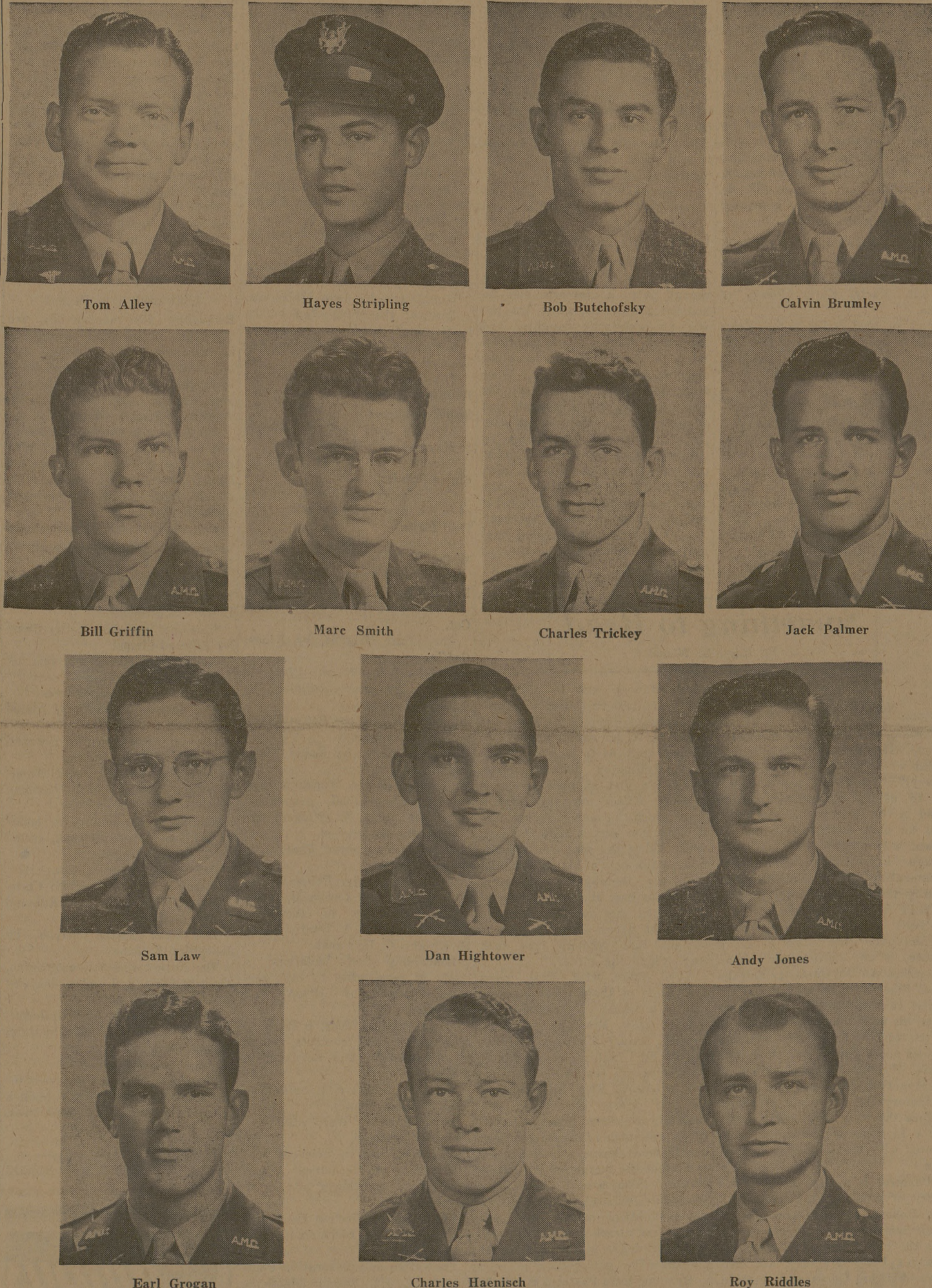
B. D. Marburger of the B. & C. U. Department, has announced that the War Production Board has requested that citizens refrain from putting up outdoor Christmas lights this year due to the wartime fuel shortage. Text of the statement follows:

"War Production Board order 2498 issued October 20, 1944, in part requests 'City officials, civic clubs, chambers of commerce, merchants and citizens generally to dispense with outdoor decorative lighting this Christmas.' The idea is to cooperate with the spirit of the national fuel conservation campaign."

Tessies Choose Van Johnson, Crosby, and Hope for Favorites

By Alfred Jefferson
Two thousand Tessies can't be wrong—so Van Johnson must be the best actor on the screen today. Results of a poll taken by members of the journalism class at the Texas State College for Women among 2121 students place Van Johnson at the top of the list of male picture stars, with Spencer Tracy running a poor second. Among the many actresses mentioned in the voting, Bette Davis took first honors with 140 more

WHO'S WHO



Tom Alley

Hayes Stripling

Bob Butchofsky

Calvin Brumley

Bill Griffin

Marc Smith

Charles Trickey

Jack Palmer

Sam Law

Dan Hightower

Andy Jones

Earl Grogan

Charles Haenisch

Roy Riddles

Wichita Falls Club To Have Party On December 23rd

Wichita Falls Aggies will hold their annual Christmas party and dance at the Forum in Wichita Falls on Saturday, December 23 from 8:30 p.m. until midnight.

Dick Burch, club president, invites all Aggies from that area to attend.

Longhorn Picture Deadline Moved To January 16th

Informal pictures for each organization can be turned in to the Longhorn office as late as Monday, January 15. The reason for the extension of the deadline is that there are not enough pictures to cover the pages. On January 15, if there are not enough pictures from every organization on the campus it will be impossible to have any section of that type at all on the organization pages. However, those pictures that have been turned in will be used in the Aggeland section of the Longhorn.

It will not be necessary for prints of the pictures to be turned in, because the Longhorn will have others made. If prints are handed in, they should be approximately 3 x 4 inches. Prints should be on glossy single weight paper.

Negatives should be turned in as soon as possible.

College News Stand Robbed of \$200 Wednesday Night; No Arrests Made Yet

Gilchrist Addresses, Takes Suggestions From A. & M. Faculty

Monday night in the Chemistry lecture room President Gibb Gilchrist addressed the A. & M. Chapter of the American Association of University Professors on the results of the questionnaire which he submitted to the faculty in September. The entire College staff was invited to the meeting.

A majority of the responses to the questionnaire contained valuable comments and suggestions on the conduct of the college, he observed. From the answers, he found that it will be advisable to work out a plan to increase the student's use of the library. He expressed concern over the fact that in the past, two-thirds of the freshman class from year to year have failed to graduate from College. In view of this fact, he con-

Entry Made Through Large Front Window

Someone broke into the A. & M. College News Stand last night and took \$200 from the cash drawer and safe. The time of the robbery has not been determined nor had police made any arrests at 2 o'clock yesterday.

Louie Clarke, student manager of the news stand, reported the robbery to the Commandant's Office between 8:00 and 8:15 yesterday morning and the Commandant's Office immediately called in Bryan police and the State Highway patrol. Clarke furnished a clue to the identity of a possible suspect when he said that he noticed a youth watching him put away the money Wednesday night. Clarke said that the youth seemed to be paying particular attention to the places where the money was placed for safe keeping.

Overlooks \$75.00
Although \$200 was taken, the robber overlooked a \$35 box of (See ROBBERY, Page 4)

Thirteen Seniors, One Junior To Be Honored

Who's Who Is Compilation of Biographies Of Distinguished Students Over Nation

Fourteen A. & M. men have been included in the 1944 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Col-

No Battalion Friday

Due to the fact that school is to be dismissed Friday, December 22nd at noon, there will be no Battalion published on that day. Regular publication will be resumed on Friday, January 5, 1945.

Penberthy Asks That Pledges Be Turned In Wed.

Two Months Money Must Be Reported By 6 p. m. Wednesday

W. L. Penberthy, chairman of the College-at-War bond and stamp drive for Texas A. & M. has announced that all pledges for November and December should be turned in and reported on by next Wednesday at 6 p. m. He asks that all bond officers contact the members of their companies and try to sell at least one stamp to each man.

He expressed a desire that everyone try to purchase a twenty-five cent war stamp for both November and December in order that the school may be allowed to fly the College-at-War flag. Only 90 per cent subscription is necessary, but every small purchase helps speed the war's end.

It has been reported that a number of men have bought large bonds, and although this is most commendable, Penberthy wishes to emphasize the fact that in order to win the pennant nearly every student must buy one stamp.

He said that his reason for wanting the reports in Wednesday afternoon is that he is supposed to make his report to Mrs. J. W. Walker, state chairman of the College-at-War War Bond Finance Committee as soon as possible. Also, Penberthy said he is due to report to President Gibb Gilchrist on that day.

Christmas Holidays Start Friday Noon

Friday, December 22, at 12 noon the eagerly-awaited Christmas holidays will begin. They will last 11 days, ending at 6:00 p. m. Tuesday, January 2. With the change-over to the pre-war system this semester will end Saturday, February 3, as previously announced, but the Spring Semester will start two days later, on Monday, February 5. On this date, entrance examinations will be given and registration of new and old students will take place. Classes will start for all students at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 6.

Spring holidays will be instituted as of next semester and will last from March 30 to April 2, including Friday, Saturday and Monday. From June 2 through June 9 semester examinations will be given. Saturday, June 9, the Spring semester will end.

Bryan USO Plans Christmas Dance

Plans for the Christmas dance to be held by the Bryan U. S. O. are reported to be well under way. This formal dance will be held Saturday night, December 23, at the Bryan Country Club.

All service men and women are cordially invited. Pretty girls are assured, and a good orchestra and special refreshments are included in the plans.

leges. These aggies are: Bob Butchofsky, Tom Alley, Dan Hightower, Jack Palmer, Calvin Brumley, Bill Griffin, Sam Law, Marc Smith, Charles Haenisch, Andy Jones, Hayes Stripling, Roy Riddles, Earl (Red) Grogan, and Charles Trickey.

Who's Who in Among Students in American Universities and Colleges was conceived ten years ago with the purpose of creating one national basis for recognition of students. It is devoid of politics, initiation fees or dues. It is a reference volume of authoritative information on the large body of America's leading college students. Selections in Who's Who are taken from over 650 colleges and universities in the United States and this year A. & M.'s quota was 14 students.

Butchofsky was listed because he is cadet colonel, Alley was listed because he is president of the senior class and executive officer of the corps, Hightower was selected because he commands the first regiment as was Jack Palmer for commanding the second regiment.

Brumley was listed for being editor of the Battalion and for the position he held as executive officer of the corps last summer. Bill Griffin and Sam Law were nominated because they are vice-president and secretary-treasurer of the senior class respectively. Marc Smith was listed as editor of the Longhorn and Charles Haenisch as social secretary of the senior class. Andy Jones won his selection for being head yell leader last summer and early fall as did Hayes Stripling for being head yell leader the remainder of the season. Roy Riddles was chosen as a representative from the battalion commanders and Earl Grogan was chosen from the company commanders. Charles Trickey was chosen from the junior class because he is sergeant major of the corps.

Students for Who's Who are chosen impartially and selection is based entirely upon qualifications. (See AGGIES, Page 2)

Senior Invitations Must Be Ordered By Thursday, Dec. 21

Invitations for the graduation exercises must be ordered before Thursday, December 21. The invitations will get here about January 20. There will be a choice of leather or cardboard covers for the invitations.

ASME Reorganizes; Bernard Levy Is Elected Chairman

The Texas A. & M. student chapter of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers has recently reorganized and is now carrying on a membership drive. The reorganization and election of officers took place at a meeting on Nov. 13th.

The officers elected were B. W. Levy, Chairman; T. R. Sessums, Vice-Chairman; G. S. Kaplan, Treasurer; G. A. Stone, Program Chairman, and A. S. Mijalis, Secretary.

At a meeting on Nov. 27th, several interesting semi-technical films were shown and refreshments were served. The next meeting date will be Monday, December 18th, at which time a film, "Magnesium-Metal from the Sea," will be shown.

Levy said that all members and M. E. students are urged to attend while others are cordially invited. He also pointed out that all M. E. students should seriously consider joining their technical society now and reap in the benefits to be gained. Information may be obtained from any Senior M. E. teacher.