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Accelerated Schedule Continued By Academic Council

Status Quo To Continue On Cadet Officers

Change To Come After Term Gets Under Way

Wednesday afternoon a committee of seniors and juniors met with Colonel M. D. Welty and decided that the cadet officers of the present staff would carry on their duties through the end of this semester and into the beginning of next semester.

Colonel Welty said that this was a necessary measure because as yet there is no way of ascertaining the number of cadets from the junior class that will be back next semester. He added that even if the number were available it would be impossible to announce a promotion list because grades have to be checked, the appointments have to be recommended, and President Gilchrist has to approve the recommendations. This cannot be done in the time remaining in the current semester.

This leaves in a state of flux the position of all four classes. Frogs may become fish or they may become sophomores. Sophomores may become juniors or they may remain sophomores and the same applies to the junior class. The present staff of cadet officers may retain their positions or they may terminate their period of service. Another possibility is that part of the present staff of officers will be retained and the other positions will be filled by the present junior class who will be seniors next semester.

If this last possibility materializes the cadet officer situation will be identical with that of last summer and the early part of this semester when men of both the class of 1945 and 1946 held commissions. Early this semester, in November, the class of 1945 resigned upon request of A. & M. authorities "... to establish a precedent" as Lt. Colonel A. J. Bennett expressed it at the time. Colonel Bennett also explained further in November that the Commandant's Office desired the precedent in order that there would not be mixed classes as cadet officers again.

Colonel Welty said that the representatives from both the senior and junior classes agreed to postpone a definite decision until check-ups were complete next semester.

Seniors present at the meeting were Robert Butchofsky, cadet colonel; Jack Palmer and Dan Hightower, regimental commanders; and Sam Law, secretary-treasurer of the senior class. Representing the juniors were Charlie West, junior class president; Jere Higgs, Dan McGurk, and Russell Besnon.

Corps Will Begin Move to New Area On February 1, 2, 3

College Will Furnish Transportation For Baggage and Equipment

Days for moving were announced by Major Joe E. Davis, assistant commandant, this morning as the last three days of the current semester, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Trucks will be provided by the College for transporting students baggage and other possessions which must be moved from the military walk area to the New or Duncan Hall area. Major Davis said that plans and arrangements were not complete concerning the exact dormitories which will be occupied by the corps next semester but that the general location would be in those dormitories that are not occupied by naval or army personnel.

A detailed order of the schedule of moving and the places of moving will be released by the Commandant's Office to company commanders as soon as it is available.

Sam Houston Pres. To Be Speaker On Commencement

Rev. R. C. Terry To Preach Sunday For Baccalaureate

Dr. Harmon Lowman, president of Sam Houston State Teachers College at Huntsville, will deliver the commencement address at informal graduation exercises to be held in Guion Hall at the Texas A. & M. College at 7:30 p. m., Feb. 2.

From among the ten candidates for degrees having the highest scholastic standing the 60 graduates elected T. W. Melius, Jr., of Metairie, La., to give the valedictory address.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at 10:30 a. m., Feb. 2, by Rev. R. C. Terry, pastor of the College Station Methodist Church.

These 60 graduates will make a total of 2018 degrees presented by the Texas A. & M. College since the adoption of the speed-up program following the outbreak of war.

Diplomas will be awarded by President Gibb Gilchrist and will be presented by G. R. White of Brady, president of the board of directors.

In this semester's graduating class there are 30 from the school of Veterinary Medicine, 15 from the school of Agriculture, seven from the school of Engineering, four from the school of Arts and Sciences, three degrees as master of science and one as master of education.

Longhorn Tells How Club Photos Must Be Made

Marc Smith, Editor of the Longhorn has announced the procedure necessary for a club or organization to have its photograph published in the yearbook.

First the members should meet and decide when they wish to have their picture taken. Next the club should make an appointment with the photographer at the Aggieldand Studio. After the picture is printed, a copy should be taken to the Longhorn Office or to the Student Activities Office both of which are located in the basement of the Administration Building.

Space in the Longhorn costs \$25 for a full page and \$15 for half a page. Such pictures must be turned in before March 12.

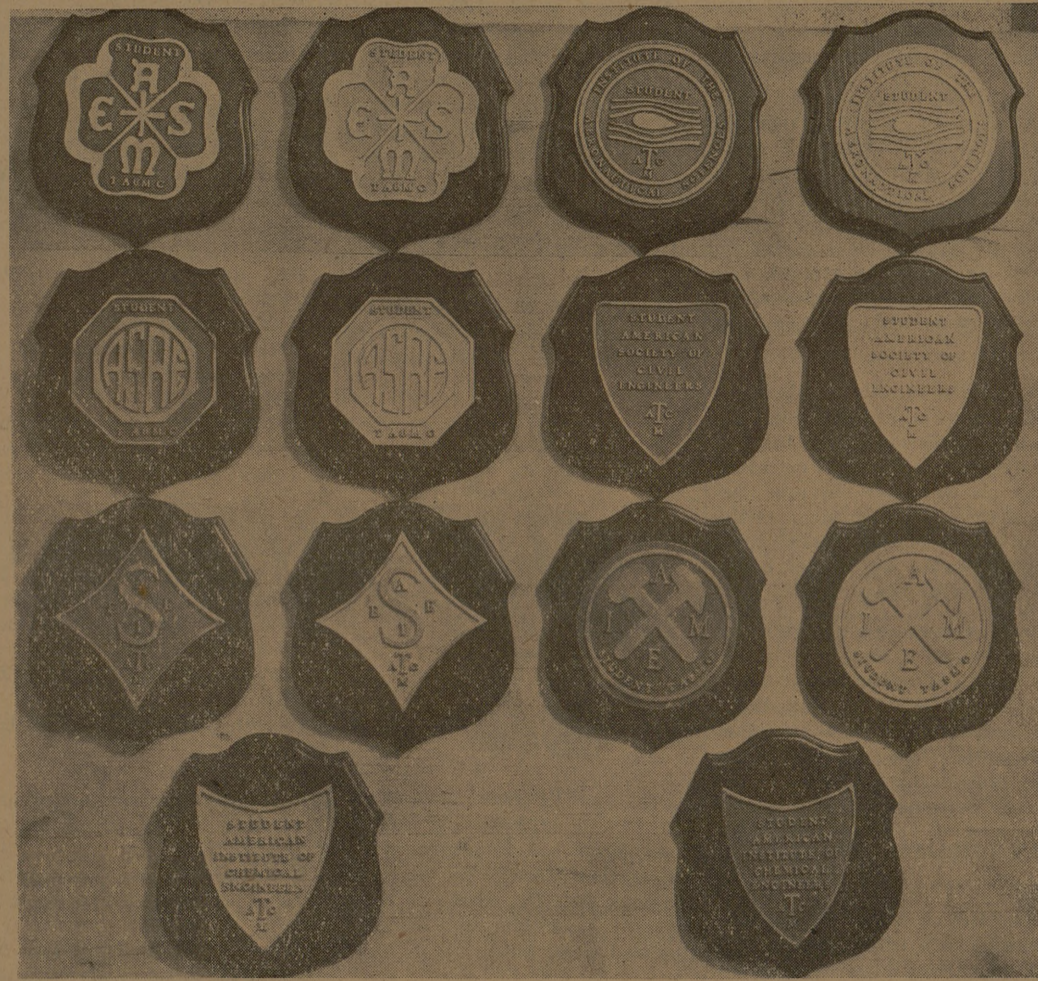
First Christian Church To Have Guest Speaker

Dr. Patrick Henry of Fort Worth is to be the guest speaker at the meeting of the A. & M. Class of the First Christian Church next Sunday, January 28.

Dr. Henry is leading the drive for funds to build an A. & M. Cadet Service Chapel at the church. He is secretary of Texas Christian Churches. He is well known in the Southwest, and has been a popular speaker among youth groups.

Bob Chenoweth, Aggie junior, will be in charge of the class on that day. The class is making a drive to have fifty men present at the meeting.

Dr. Henry is also scheduled to speak at the morning church hour Sunday.



PRIZES awarded to those men who came in first and second in each department in the slide rule contest held recently. The story was published in the last issue of the Battalion.

Ring Committee To Reorganize

According to a letter sent out by E. E. McQuillen, secretary of the Ex-Students Association, the A. & M. Ring Committee is to be reorganized in a meeting to be held at 5 p. m. next Monday, January 29, at the Registrar's Office.

Invited to be present are the presidents of the four classes: Tom Alley, Senior; Charlie West, Junior; Jack Lee Ward, Sophomore; and Robert Lane, Freshman. They are each asked to bring one other representative from their class. Also expected to attend the meeting are Calvin Brumley, Editor of the Battalion; H. L. Heaton, Registrar; W. L. Penberthy, Head of the P. E. Department; and W. R. Horsley, Head of the Student Placement Office. McQuillen is chairman of the committee.

For the last year there has been no Ring Committee, due to the unsettled condition of the campus. The principal reason for this meeting is to discuss the matter of students registering for the purpose of obtaining their rings and resigning immediately.

Col. McNew Speaks to Press Club Banquet Guests On India and China

Wednesday evening at 6:45 p. m. the A. & M. Press Club held its banquet in the Aggieldand Inn. Members of the faculty and their wives were present, as well as the speaker, Lt. Col. J. T. L. McNew and the staffs of the Battalion and Longhorn.

The invocation was given by director of student personnel, G. B. Wilcox after which dinner was served. When the meal was finished Calvin Brumley, editor of the Battalion for the past two semesters, gave the welcoming talk. Then Dick Goad, the president, introduced all the guests. Dean F. C. Bolton gave out the awards to members of the Battalion staff.

S. K. Adler, L. H. Calahan and R. L. Byrnes, Intramural writer, received certificates commending service rendered on the Battalion staff for one semester. Bronze keys for two semesters service on the staff were given to B. J. Blankenship, Eli Barker, Feature writer S. L. Inzer, and Teddy Bernstein, Amusements editor. Goad and Alfred Jefferson, both managing edi-

tors on the paper, received written certificates commemorating three semesters of work on the student publication. The highest award on the program went to Calvin Brumley, editor who received a silver key for six semesters of service rendered to the staff. Jefferson, Goad and Brumley were given special awards as they are the managing editors and editor of the paper respectively.

Lt. Col. J. T. L. McNew then gave a talk on conditions at present in China and India where he has seen service. He told of the extreme poverty of the east, the difficulties encountered by American technicians and engineers, and the reception given by the populace. Above all, however he emphasized that China is not open for exploitation by the west and that the Chinese are capable of helping themselves.

Two numbers were sung by the singing cadets' quartet under the direction of W. M. Turner. Members of the quartet are W. C. Harper, W. H. Selby, Burl Ervin, and J. M. Hampton.

College Employees Receive Care Under Hospital Insurance Plan

By D. L. Mitchell
In 1941 there was organized for the employees of Texas A. & M. College a Hospitalization Group through which hospitalization and surgery might be obtained at very low cost. This group insurance plan is administered by the College Insurance Committee of which F. C. Bolton, J. Wheeler Barger, T. W. Leland, L. P. Gabbard, and D. L. Weddington are members.

Through this Group Hospitalization plan the employees may receive \$5.00 a day for a maximum of 70 days for any one illness while confined in a hospital, regardless of the cost of the hospital room to the member; reimbursements for surgeon's fees in amounts varying in accordance with the seriousness of the operation, up to a maximum of \$150; reimbursements for incidental hospital service such as X-ray, operating room, anesthetic, and laboratory fees up to \$25 and

reimbursements for ambulance service up to \$10. The protection is available to all regular active employees, including members of the teaching, Experiment Station, resident Extension, Forestry, clerical, and auxiliary service staffs.

J. Wheeler Barger, head of the Department of Agricultural Economics and secretary of the College Hospitalization Group, stated today, "An opportunity is to be given this week for staff members who do not already participate in the Group Hospitalization plan to avail themselves of the protection. In case a number of persons apply for membership and this prevents adverse selection from the insurance company's standpoint, these persons will be admitted to the group without evidence of good health. However, any staff member is eligible to join regardless of his physical condition within 60 days from the date of his employ-

ment. Our experience with group hospitalization during the last four years of operation has demonstrated the wisdom and soundness of this type of protection. By the payment of a relatively small premium the members have been safeguarded against payment of large amounts for surgical and hospital care."

Mr. Arthur B. Wegforth of the Group Department of the Accident Life Insurance Company will spend this week at the college giving information and assisting in filling out application forms for staff members desiring to become members. Anyone desiring his assistance may get in touch with him through J. W. Barger's office. This is an opportunity for the staff members who do not belong to the College Hospitalization Group to join and share with the other employees the benefits of this money saving plan.

Kyle And Summey Praised In Separate Resolutions

New Courses in Graduate Research Added To Chemical Engineering; Others Revised

Recision of the previously announced program to resume a normal peace time schedule at A. & M. was announced by the Academic Council Tuesday afternoon. The decision to retain the accelerated program was made because of the recent darkening of the over-all war picture with particular reference to the Allied reverses in Europe.

The Academic Council, composed of the deans of each of the schools, the heads of departments, and other administrative officers of A. & M., also passed two resolutions commending the services of Dean E. J. Kyle who recently retired as Dean of Agriculture and Dr. George Summey Jr. who recently resigned as head of the Department of English.

Editor Leaves Town

Good-byes are always difficult and after they are said, they sometimes appear trivial but as the editorship of the Battalion changes at the end of this semester, the present editor wishes to bid the corps and all others at Aggieldand bye.

Also the editor wishes to thank all those who have contributed material and moral support to the Battalion and its staff.

Calvin Brumley

In response to expansion plans for A. & M. the Council also added several courses in graduate research to the Chemical Engineering curricula. They also revised and improved several undergraduate courses.

In the statement issued concerning the resumption of the speedup program the Academic Council said registration for next semester would be on February 5 as previously announced and that examinations and schedules of instruction would remain essentially the same as they have been during the back semesters of the accelerated program.

The statement of the Council reads, "With the continued need for young men in the armed forces and the limited time available to most young men for attending College between graduation from high school and induction in the Armed Service, the Executive Committee recommends that the action of October 9, 1944 (date of the decision to resume normal schedule) be rescinded and the three-semester acceleration program be continued.

Brumley Finishes Six Terms On Batt

Calvin Brumley, editor of the Battalion, has finished up his duties in that capacity and will vacate his position at the end of this week.

Brumley worked on the Battalion six semesters, of which he spent three as a reporter, one as managing editor, and two as editor. His home is in Hereford. He will graduate with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics.

After graduating, Brumley plans to enter the newspaper business, working on the Amarillo Globe-News, beginning February 12.

Two Aggie Exes In Unit Cited For Fourth Time

A 12TH AAF FIGHTER-BOMBER BASE IN ITALY—Captain Oris E. McGregor, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McGregor, Penitton, Texas, and First Lieutenant William H. Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Martin of El Paso, can now wear the third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Unit Badge, now that their unit, the 27th Fighter Group, a veteran P-47 Thunderbolt air support outfit, has become the first AAF Unit in the Mediterranean Theater to be cited four times in War Department General Orders.

When word of the latest citation arrived on Dec. 12, it was cause for a triple celebration for the 27th, which is now commanded by Lt. Col. William R. Nevitt, 1502 S. Hull St., Montgomery, Ala., for (See AGGIES, Page 3)

"In view of the fact that Dean E. J. Kyle has recently retired from the deanship of the School of Agriculture to become Dean Emeritus, thereby terminating his active participation in the work of the Academic Council, the Council desires to put on record the following statement of its appreciation and good wishes.

Baptist Students To Have Social

Because of the war time shortages, the Baptist Student Council is going to hold a social this year instead of their annual banquet. The social will be in the form of a "Five Night Chautauque". No one knows the complete plans, because they have been kept secret. Girls have been invited from other schools just as they were for the banquet last year, and all of the local girls have already been invited. Some of the girls will come from Mary Hardin Baylor and some of the girls will come from Sam Houston State Teachers College. They are to stay in Walton Hall.

All Baptist Students and young people are invited to attend at 7:30 Saturday evening in the recreation room of the Baptist Church.

"For more than forty years he has shared in the deliberations and responsibilities of the Academic Council and of the agencies which preceded it in the administration of the College, and has throughout that time exercised a leadership his colleagues have rejoiced to accept, and has shown a democratic consideration on his fellows which they have appreciated.

"The Council recognizes his contributions and the agencies which preceded it in the administration of the College, and has throughout that time exercised a leadership his colleagues have rejoiced to accept, and has shown a democratic consideration on his fellows which they have appreciated.

"This request does not apply to army or naval trainees, faculty members, or residents of College Station.

Library Books Due Monday

Monday, January 29, has been announced by the Cushing Memorial Library as the date upon which all books charged to students at A. & M. must be returned to the library. This was explained as imperative in order that the library may clear all books checked out by students before the end of the current semester.