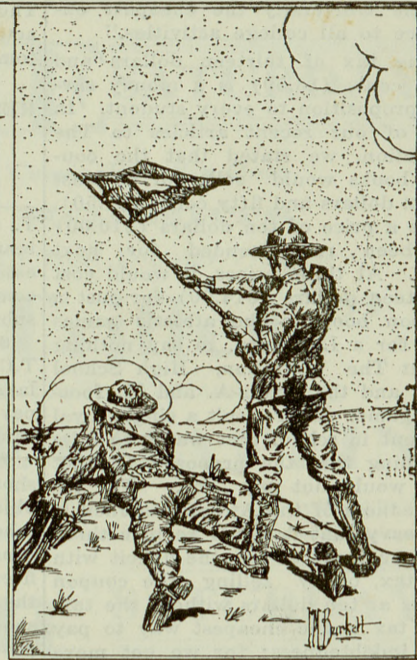


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**BASEBALL SEASON OPENS
MONDAY, MARCH 22.
AGGIES vs. 37th INFANTRY.
TEAM IN GREAT SHAPE.**

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JUNIOR STOCK JUDGING TEAM MAKES TRIP

Spend Few Days in Oklahoma and Fort Worth Texas Pleasantly and Profitably.

Three o'clock Friday evening of February 28, found a little group of nine anxious Juniors and their Professor, Mr. Stangel, gathered in a classroom of the Agricultural building. From this little group was to be picked the seven men of whom the Junior Stock Judging team would be composed. After expressing his regrets for not being able to take all nine of the men and his appreciation of how the men had worked, Mr. Stangel read the following names: Mowery, R. C., Evans, S. C., Mahan, J., Luker, C., Snell, M. G., Robinson, H. C., Menzies, W. Mr. Stangel then instructed these men to be prepared to leave on the H. & T. C. train at 2 a. m. Sunday.

The seven boys that boarded that 2 a. m. Sunday train was a rather sober bunch because they realized that no A. and M. team had been beaten this year. Mr. Stangel boarded the train at Bryan and arrangements were made for pullman to Dallas. Upon arrival at Dallas Sunday morning, Mr. Stangel directed the bunch to get breakfast at the Jefferson Hotel, as it was near the depot. After breakfast an interurban was boarded and the team went to Fort Worth. At Fort Worth the team took the Sante Fe for Oklahoma City.

The trip to Oklahoma City was quite interesting as most of the boys had never been up in this part of Oklahoma. One of the first stops of importance was Gainesville, the home town of Jack Mahan. Aside from the scenery, Mr. Stangel made the trip interesting by distributing books containing the records and pictures of prize winning animals. The most interesting feature of the trip was the lack of eats. The train was rather slow and noon lunch had to be delayed until 4 p. m. "Soakum" Evans says that it is the best meal he ever ate while traveling on a

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RELATIVE TO SOME CHANGES IN THE R. O. T. C.

Conference in Washington Relating To R.O.T.C. Organizations in Colleges and Universities

President Bizzell gave out today the following topics that were discussed at a conference in Washington during the first week in March between representatives of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and representatives of the War Department. While definite decisions were not reached, the outline will indicate some of the readjustments that are pending with reference to the future policy of the War Department relating to R.O.T.C. in colleges and universities.

1. Future Conferences. Desirable. Proposed for January and May at Washington with possibly regional conferences intervening.

2. Bonds and Insurance. Institutional bond without additional surety should be sufficient to cover all responsibility, including insurance. In case of fire loss, valuation should give consideration to depreciation.

3. Physical Examinations. Should be less rigid for the basic courses; should occur at the beginning of the school year; should be made, if possible, by army surgeons.

4. Personnel. Enough officers should be supplied to accomplish all military training prescribed for the R. O. T. C.; details should not be made or continued against the objection of the head of the institutions; changes in personnel should be made only where necessary.

5. Uniforms. Fundamental that the student should have a uniform suitable for all R. O. T. C. requirements without cost to himself; for the present, institutions should be allowed to choose between uniforms as issued and commutation; institutional regulations should provide against payment of commutation or loss of uniform in case students enrolled for brief periods; wastage and improper use of uniforms is strongly condemned; except in strictly military institutions, the regular army model should be used, with distinctive R. O.

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BASEBALL PROSPECTS GROWING BRIGHTER DAILY

Men Whipping In Line As Weather Grows Favorable and Good Results Expected.

The baseball squad and Coach Bible are "off in a whirl." With the best material that has been registered for a try-out together with warm days suitable for fast training, Coach Bible has prospects of turning out the best baseball club that A. and M. has had in several seasons.

Moore, Dinan, and Crawford are showing just worlds of pep and efficiency in defending home plate. They are always on their toes and have a whip to the bases that will prove fatal to any base-runner. Dwyer and Rothe on first are fast and reliable. In using the shift that Coach Bible has taught them, there is little danger of wild throws to first. Lacky and Higginbotham on second and short-stop are showing up like big leaguers. They both cover worlds of ground and have a "shot-gun" whip to the bases. Captain Lewis at third handles his position with all ease in the world—always sure and quick. With Matthews, Gleason and Guines in the outfield, Coach Bible hasn't any fear of balls hit to the outfield.

To take command of the mound, there is Alexander, Henderson and Sprague showing up with all the stuff a pitcher needs. They have lots of speed, control and a good baseball head. In fielding their position, they are extra fast.

There are several recruits on the field showing lots of baseball and could be safely used if needed.

If the weather continues so the men can get a fast work-out each day Coach Bible has prospects of a club that can easily defeat the State championship contenders.

On arrival at the camp the student is met by a representative and conducted to his proper quarters. He is then assigned to a company commanded by an officer who is especially selected for this purpose.

STUDENTS TO VOTE ON THE BLANKET TAX

Tomorrow Will Witness Result of This Important Question Effecting All Students.

Tomorrow, Friday, the students of this College will have the opportunity of voting their convictions on the Blanket Tax. This is one of the most progressive movements that has ever been brought up before the student body for endorsement. The Senior Class unanimously endorse it. The representatives of the student activities have signed an endorsement. The strength of the student's endorsement determines whether or not we shall put our College activities upon a firm and reliable business basis.

The tax system is in successful operation at other schools, and there is no reason why it could not be successfully operated here. It has never been tried out—as some of its opponents say—and we have as many, if not more, students than other schools where it is successfully operated. Before President Bizzell's administration, there was an attempt to have the tax adopted, but certain officials of the College would not give their endorsement to the movement, consequently the Board of Directors would not consider the matter. Wherever this tax has been tried, it has been a success. In a letter to Mr. James Sullivan, President Austin D. Crile of New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts says: "At present, our fee that is charged to the students is ten dollars (\$10.00) per quarter; there at the present time being three quarters in the school year. The ten dollars (\$10.00) is prorated to the athletic fund for the students, two dollars (\$2.00); hospital fund, two dollars (\$2.00); student publications, one dollar and fifty cents, students lyceum, fifty cents (50c); and registrar's account, four dollars (\$4.00). We find this system works very well." W. Hawkins, the President of the Students' Association of the University of Texas says: "The scheme works admirably well, is economical and practical; saves University activities from uncertainty