

## FIRST FISH BANQUET BY "A" COMPANY, INF.

Captain Reed Presented With Watch On Graduation By His Organization.

According to a time-honored custom, handed down through the years the Fish of Company A, Infantry, surprised the "Fish" of '21, '22, and '23 with an elaborate banquet in the Agricultural Building, Sunday evening, January 16th.

The company fell in in the usual way for retreat, but many an upper-classman wondered why there was such an under-current of impertinence running rampant among the Fish. Imagine their surprise when they were rudely thrust into the rear rank as mere privates and saw their places usurped, Trotsky-like, by Fish Major Fawcett (who bids fair to become the Battalion Itch), and his right hand men, Fish Captain Clarke and Fish Lieutenant Reed. These officers handled everything in a military manner, Captain Clarke having held the same rank in the revival of another odd custom (P.M.) in Foster Hall. After a very close inspection, these officers found only one man in the company who was able to pass as being dressed according to regulations, and that O'Meara, who is habitually so and cannot help it.

Then Captain Clarke, assisted by his various corporals proceeded to the drill field where he gave a very creditable repetition of some of the drills and exercises in which some of them so delight. This included a short session of Mexican Calisthenics and an exhibition drill by Corp. Irwin and his squad, Ted Wynn.

From the drill field, the company proceeded on what appeared to be a sample of one Red Thompson's famous "Thousand Mile Walks". Although Lieut. Edwards declares they did not go quite a thousand, the way he was catching his breath, it could not have been far from it. After a forced march, the upper-classmen, accompanied by the Fish, arrived at the banquet hall, still in doubt as to what that wild-eyed bunch was going to do, their feet hot, their breath short, and (worst of all) with their dignity suffering.

Stepping into the lighted room from the dark, the company was dazzled by the brilliancy and charm of the banquet-room, with its well arranged pennants, its red and white shaded lights and its big "A" suspended in red and white from the ceiling. The room was one that was difficult to decorate, but the final result was one of beauty and a credit to the labors of the Freshmen. The heavily loaded tables were formed into a big A, at the apex of which sat Fish (Caesar) Brown as toastmaster, with Capt. Reed and Reynolds on either side and Major Hamilton at the end.

Toastmaster Brown warmed up early and started the ball rolling by a stirring speech to the Fish, concerning the meaning of the occasion. Then at the command to take seats, everyone bent to the task of relieving the groaning board of its burden. It is said that tears streamed down Sgt. Fisher's face at the sight of the food, and Sgt. Allsmeier's voice trembled every time he spoke. Great stacks of home-made cake, country-cured ham, fried and baked chicken, sandwiches of all kinds, fudge, divinity and other candies faded rapidly and rested only when Toastmaster Brown broke in upon the massacre.

Everyone was in responsive mood and the talks given by various upper-classmen of the company sank deep into the hearts of every Fish and made him glad that he was a member. Short talks by Major Hamilton, Captains Reed, and Reynolds, Lieutenants Atterburg, Edwards, Hatley and Almseyer, Sergeants Carruthers, Wendt, Almseyer and Fisher, and Corporals Cunningham and Lusher were all straight from the shoulder and struck home, especially the one in which Corporal Cunningham explained why he liked to beat the drum. Only one thing over-shadowed the gathering and that came with the presentation of a watch to Captain Reed. With it went the farewell talk by Lieutenant Edwards and the company's good-bye to Major Hamilton, Captains Reed and Reynolds, who leave at the end of this term. Capt. Reed's response came straight

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## COMMITTEES OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE

Organized Forces Will Look After Needs of Visitors and Show Them Around.

Committees have been selected to care for the work of registering and entertaining the boys and boys' workers who will attend the Texas Older Boys' Conference to be held at A. and M. January 28, 29 and 30.

As President Bizzell announced a few days ago volunteers will be sought among the student body to share their rooms in the dormitories with the delegates. No trouble is anticipated in securing sufficient accommodation for all boys who come here, but there will be some work in making arrangements for such a plan and a committee has been appointed to do this work.

As the boys throughout the state register in their respective communities to attend the conference their names are sent to the state headquarters of the Y. M. C. A. and early next week lists of these names will begin coming to College. Mr. Lewis will receive them and they will be published in The Daily Bulletin each day as received. Students of the College can then choose from these lists the boys whom they wish to entertain.

Of all the committees appointed to work during the conference the reception committee is the largest. It is headed by C. C. B. Warden and is in four sections, as follows: Committee of Freshmen to meet incoming trains and escort delegates to Y. M. C. A., with John Mayo as chairman; guides committee to show delegates to rooms in dormitories, headed by Bill King and Carl Scudder; campus committee which will have table in Y. M. C. A. and furnish information to delegates; Committee on Y. M. C. A. Building to direct delegates in using the building, headed by D. D. Steele and H. S. Kerr. Student Pastor R. L. Brown will also serve on this committee.

Other committees are: Program—Edgar Brinkman, chairman, Ike S. Ashburn, faculty representative, O. F. Reynaud, J. J. Wylie, Jr., L. S. Plunkett, W. H. Matthews, Presbyterian Student Pastor.

Entertainment—F. P. Buie, chairman, R. D. Brackett, faculty representative, L. R. Hugon, W. Crippen, G. J. Kempen, H. L. Sanders, O. L. Dockum.

Registration—F. M. Leverett, chairman, Ward Browning, faculty representative.

Publicity—F. L. Bertscher, chairman, Frank Martin, faculty representative, C. R. Smith, C. E. Ward, C. W. Thomas, J. M. Severn.

Exhibits—A. E. Hatley, chairman, George Long, faculty representative, J. Albritton, Ed Taylor.

Recreation—D. D. Clinton, chairman, Major W. H. H. Morris, faculty representative, T. B. Lewis, C. W. Sherrill, M. V. Smith, Pat Olsen, King Vivion.

Inspection tour—S. C. Evans, chairman, George Long, faculty representative, A. D. Jackson.

Banquet—T. Hall, chairman, C. C. Braden, faculty representative, R. H. Maxwell, R. C. Mowery, C. E. Taylor.

## GRADUATE ACCEPTS CAMPUS POSITION WITH VOCATIONAL TRAINING BOARD.

W. O. Farthing, '17, has been greeting many of his old friends on the campus this week where he has arrived to accept the position of Coordinator for Federal Students in the Vocational Training Work. E. C. Nash, also graduate of '18, who has been located here in this capacity during the past two years is now promoted and will be inspector of the entire Southern U. S. Vocational Training work.

## AGGIE ALUMNUS KILLED IN AEROPLANE ACCIDENT.

Lieutenant John Victor Anderson, '14, lost his life on January 4, in an aeroplane accident at March Field, Riverside, California. Lieut. Anderson was a distinguished student at A. and M. during the '13 and '14 sessions, graduating in C. E., and immediately accepted a position in Korea as Mining Engineer. He returned to the States at the outbreak of the War and enlisted in the service. He had only recently transferred to the Air Service. His father is J. W. Anderson of Abilene.

## \$12,677.60 AMOUNT OF PAYROLL TO ADVANCED CADETS

260 Juniors and Seniors Have Received Commutation for Rations.

Uncle Sam was paymaster the past week to the cadets taking the advanced course of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. A total of \$12,677.60 was paid to 260 juniors and seniors who elected military training for their last two years in college.

Each one of the number received \$48.76 being commutation for rations at the rate of fifty-three cents a day.

Seniors will continue to receive commutation for rations at the rate of fifty-three cents a day until graduation. Juniors will receive the same until they enter an Advanced R. O. T. C. summer training camp about the middle of June, when they will be fed in canteen by the government and paid at the rate of \$30 a month. They will also be allowed transportation to and from summer camp at the rate of five cents a mile. A separate camp is maintained for each branch of the service in different parts of the country. It is held for six weeks and every student taking the advanced course must attend the summer following the completion of his junior work. From the time the summer camp breaks up until the cadet completes his senior year he receives commutation at the rate of fifty-three cents a day.

Besides the allowance for rations each cadet receives commutation for uniform at the rate of \$36 a year. Freshmen and Sophomores taking the basic course of the R. O. T. C. receive the same uniform allowance but are paid no commutation for rations.

## DRAMATIC CLUB PLAY POSTPONED TO JAN. 24

"Captain Lettarblair" the first of a series of plays to be presented by the A. and M. Dramatic Club, has been postponed from Jan. 14th to Jan. 24th. This change was made in order that students who would attend the production might have the time for completing the work of the term and preparing for examination. The club believes that class work must always come first.

The sale of tickets will continue. All tickets already purchased will be good for the same seat on the 24th. If anyone for any reason cannot be present on that date he may obtain refund for tickets already purchased.

## EPISCOPALIAN STUDENTS OFF FOR CONVENTION IN HOUSTON.

A. and M. College is well represented by the number of Episcopalian students attending the Students Diocesan Conference at Houston the latter part of this week.

Forty some odd members are in attendance. A good time is assured to them, as they are guests of the City of Houston. The colleges all over the state (including O. I. A. and Baylor Belton), will be well represented by between forty and fifty students each. And you know those "mean old Aggies" just can't keep away from anything with C. I. A. written on it.

Bill King says he is going down to hear the speakers, but you know Bill! He also loves to dance and when he was told there would be dances he said he had meant to go all the time.

Anyway C. I. A. and Baylor Belton will sure root for the Aggies on Friday and Saturday night.

The object of the conference is to bring the Episcopalian students of all the colleges into close communion with each other. The last student conference was held in Galveston, and only about 15 boys from A. and M. attended. Reverend Jamison deserves great credit for the good showing this year.

## YOU TELL 'EM.

You tell 'em milk,  
You've been watered.  
You tell 'em fountain pen,  
Sbisa don't feed well.  
You tell 'em sky juice,  
You've been drunk yourself.  
You tell 'em potatoes,  
You've been washed with sand.  
You tell 'em silverware,  
You are made of brass.

## FIRST-SENIOR JUNIOR DANCE HELD SATURDAY

Aggie-Land Jazz Sextette Provides Music—Best Informal Dance of the Year.

What has been one of the most enjoyable social activities of the year took place Saturday night when the high and mighty Seniors along with the present Juniors—the rulers of destiny of the next year's cadet corps—entered the well decorated Spiza Hall annex with the fair damsels of their choice. Upon entering the Annex one's eye found it hard to locate the floor for the numerous innovations shown in the decorative art. However, when the music was begun by that state famous, and rivals of the Louisiana Five—OUR OWN AGGIE-LAND SEXTETTE—that foot just naturally would start moving across the floor and the "toddling" contest was on. The Sextette as well as the dancers were "right" and in the estimation of the committees and the participants this was one of the most successful dances of its kind held this season.

The precedence shown by this dance over the ones held on previous occasions may be given more weight by the fact that Dr. and Mrs. Bizzell, as chaperones, showed themselves highly pleased with the occasion. This is one of the few times that "Prexy's" familiar countenance has shown itself at an informal dance of this nature. With twinkling eye and the ever jovial nature "Prexy" somehow seemed to show a restlessness as a mere observer and although he did not dance; well, "You'd Be Surprised" at the amount of pleasure he did derive and this was only characteristic of every individual present.

As a Junior-Senior dance this occasion was an outstanding success and we believe that there should be a great many more during the second term of the year to help the members of the Senior class to enjoy themselves and forget about the worries of assisting "Prexy" and "Ike" take care of the fifteen hundred cadets in the corps. Bill King and his Sextette are absolutely incomparable and if they keep on improving at the rate with which they have progressed since they organized before Xmas they will be filling a date for the Inaugural Ball by March 4th.

Besides having "Shorty" Sherrill to look after the affairs of state the social committee also has the assistance of George Martin, Sterling Evans, John Cape, and C. C. B. Warden. This quintet will have charge of all of the dances on the Campus, with the exception of the R. V. Hop and the Final Ball, during the next semester.

## Y. M. C. A. FEATURES MOVIES DURING REGISTRATION INTERMISSION BETWEEN TERMS.

Due to the fact that the days of registration and suspension of classes caused a lull in college activities and left a few moments of spare time on the hands of the students, a problem that comes up every year again faced the college authorities, that of furnishing some form of amusement to those who did not visit their home or the neighboring towns. The Y. M. C. A. thru the management of the secretary, Mr. Lewis, has arranged for pictures to be shown. Wednesday nights program featured William Russel in "The Cheater Reformed", and a two-reel comedy entitled "The Porter". Martha Mansfield in "His Brother's Keeper" and a Sunshine special filled the Thursday night program. Friday night sees the presentation of "Two Kinds of Love", a western feature and two-reels of comedy. Saturdays show will feature Justin Huff in "Blackbird", a Real Art Special and "Hands Up" a comedy.

## YOU DON'T SAY!

Don't you tell 'em clock-works—you are always behind time.  
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Don't you tell 'em architectural dept.—you have a designing way about you.  
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Don't you tell 'em exchange store—we know you do a bootlegging business for cadet officers and sell "private stock(s)" to freshmen.  
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Don't you tell 'em Ike—when you go driving you usually have two webbed feet in your car.

## AGGIE FIVE TAKES ROAD AFTER SCALPS

First Trip of Season Leads to Houston, Baton Rouge, and New Orleans For Games.

The Aggie basketball team headed by Coach D. X. Bible left Thursday afternoon for their longest and doubtless the hardest road trip of the season when they invade Houston for a pair of games with the Rice Owls tonight and tomorrow night at the city auditorium. On Monday they journey to Baton Rouge, La., for two games with the Louisiana Tigers, then to New Orleans for a couple of contests with the Tulane University five.

The Owls are reputed as having one of the fastest basketball teams in the state and Bible is expecting the hardest battles of the season Friday and Saturday. It is believed by the close followers of the game here, that with Hartung back in the game and Captain Forbes in condition, the Aggie five will present a better balanced team and one with more scoring power. Another shift has been made in the team which Bible hopes will improve the offensive strength. This is shifting Dwyer back to his regular position of guard; Captain Forbes to his old position as center and placing Ehlert and Megarity at forward. Megarity, while small, has been looting them in nice shape and it looks as if the team will have more scoring power with him as a forward. Anyway this combination will doubtless be put against Rice in the first game.

The Owls are a bit chesty and by comparative scores they seem to bear out their contentions. It will be recalled they defeated the Simmons College Cowboys by a score of 30 to 17 in one game, while all the Aggies could do was to take the long end of a 32 to 20 score in the first game and 16 to 12 in the second with this same team, and that after they had been on the road for a week. Nothing would be more gratifying to the Owls than to put over a couple of wins in Houston Friday and Saturday nights, since they still remember the four defeats in basketball last year and the 7 to 0 defeat in football last fall.

Little is known of the Louisiana teams, except they have been turning in wins on all games played thus far this season. The Louisiana Tigers will be on the campus for a couple of games in February and we will at that time be able to get a line on them but the Tulane five does not play this year on our court. If the teams of these schools this year measure up to the standard of those of previous years, and they doubtless will, the Aggies will find pretty hard sledding in Louisiana and must go at top speed in all the games in order to turn in four wins.

The games are so arranged, however, as to permit one days rest between each series of games, so any slight injuries will not interfere and the men will have time to recover from bruises. Coach Bible and the following men made the trip: Captain Forbes, Ehlert, Megarity, Hartung, Dwyer, Williams, Jones, and March.

## MASONIC CLUB HOUSE TO BE BUILT AT TEXAS A. AND M. COLLEGE.

Subscription to a fund for the purpose of erecting an A. and M. Masonic Club House to be erected near the campus was started by the suggestion of the Worshipful Master of the Brazos Union Lodge at a called meeting of the A. and M. Masonic Club on the evening of January 17, and before the close of the meeting the sum had reached such a stage that preparations were made for the purpose of obtaining a suitable site.

There are approximately 300 Master Masons on the Campus and such a building would be very beneficial to the Masons here as visiting brethren. The purpose of the club is to erect a building with money donated by the members as well as other masons throughout the state that would be interested in seeing the club house erected, which would afford an additional place for their sons to spend the evenings, there to receive good and wholesome instructions.

Mary was a thrifty girl,  
Her debts made her very sore,  
She married Douglas Fairbanks  
To keep from Owen Moore.

## HUNDREDS OF BOYS ARE COMING HERE FOR CONFERENCE

Entertainment Well Provided to Give Them Best Impression of A. and M.

One of the most important meetings in the point of value and interest to this College will be the Texas Older Boys' Conference to be held here January 28 to 30 inclusive, at which time 500 boys of and above the age of fifteen years and numerous leaders of boys' work organizations will attend.

The conference is to be held at this college as the result of direct effort by President W. B. Bizzell to have these boys here from all points in Texas and impress them with the interest of student life at A. and M. and the opportunities open to boys who want the best education and training for a useful and remunerative occupation. It is intended that the students as well as faculty and employees shall put forward every effort and facility at their command to make their stay here useful and happy.

In order to arouse the greatest enthusiasm in the boys attending the conference it has been decided not to set aside any particular dormitory space for accommodating them but to allow them the privilege of rooming with the cadets who voluntarily offer to share their rooms.

General sessions of the conference will be held, at which time special feature programs will be rendered and the students of the college will be urged to attend. Thus the students of the college will share in the enjoyment of the entertainment provided the boys in conference here and the boys will share in the routine student life of the college, effecting a relationship which it is hoped will become a championship and make each one of the boys ambitious to attend school at A. and M. and in such instances where the boys cannot hope to attend for any reason of distance or condition make of them friends of A. and M. and supporters of the school's interests in their respective communities.

This initiation of the boys and boys workers into the Open Order of the A. and M. College spirit is one phase of the conference program and the other is to bring them together in sectional meetings and teach them as well as the workers interested in their welfare the value of organization, emphasizing particularly the Boy Scouts, Y. M. C. A., agricultural and livestock clubs.

These sectional meetings will be held with boys grouped in the following classifications: employed boys mostly boys from the cities who had time of their duties have not had time to engage in the Y. M. C. A., Boy Scout and agricultural and livestock club activities; city high school boys, boys from the ten biggest cities of Texas, who are a part of the real city life; organized county high school boys, from those smaller high schools where they have through the agency of Y. M. C. A. secretaries, county agents and other workers been organized and exerted organized effort in some lines; and then those boys representing the smallest public schools who are not acquainted with organization work.

These four groups will meet separately with the workers who accompany them here, their teachers, county agents and others interested in their individual welfare and hear college officials and other experienced workers discuss the work of organized groups, how groups may be organized, how they may work and what they can expect to accomplish.

Sectional meetings will be held Saturday morning, and afternoon, Sunday morning, afternoon and night.

The conference will convene in official session Friday night January 28, at 7 o'clock. This will be a general session with everyone invited and Dr. Bizzell will make a welcoming address. The general session will adjourn at 8:15 and those registered for the conference will attend the lyceum concert by Miss Josephine Martino, soprano, Podolski, violinist and Brockman accompanist in Guion Hall, complimentary to them.

After breakfast on Saturday morning the whole delegation will review with President Bizzell the entire ca-

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