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Only Three More Days! and then—the long-dreamed-of time will be here. Two thousand homes will be brightened by a bit of Aggie spirit and the parents of about seven hundred boys will be anxiously looking their sons over to see how well they have survived the hardships of military and college life. A great many people firmly believe that going to college practically ruins a boy's life. To test this statement, ask yourself whether you are better or worse for your time spent at A. and M. and your associations here. But don't stop there. If you come to the conclusion that you would have been better off if you had stayed at home, try to analyze the situation and find out whether the fault is with the college or yourself. If you think the college is at fault in any way, it is your duty to remedy it as much as possible. If you take the other side you should do your best to convince all people opposed to college that the school is a helpful rather than a harmful influence.

It must have been a heart breaking jolt to learn that there wasn't any Santa Claus, but from observation it looks like it is a purse breaking jolt to keep Santa Claus in business and going strong. Most people make their gift list of people whom they believe will return the favor. Often this goes beyond the bounds of friendship and many such gifts are nothing but disguised bribes. If everyone would realize that his reputation would be just as unstained if he limited his Christmas gifts to his pocketbook, much of the Christmas worry would be eliminated. That is easy to say and hard to practice, but a little serious thought on the subject would help a great deal.

BRYAN ROTARY CLUB HONORS SQUAD WITH LUNCHEON

Entire Squad and Coaching Staff Invited to Weekly Luncheon Wednesday.

Wednesday noon, the Bryan Rotary club invited the football squad and coaches to their regular luncheon and meeting.

After a bountiful meal, Coach D. X. Bible made a characteristic talk which was followed by a few brief and concise statements from Faye "Mule" Wilson, Captain-elect for 1925.

This is just one of the many ways in which the citizens of Bryan have in showing that they are behind Aggie, win or lose, and their spirit of co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Guess Again.

Sweet Young Thing (driving through shrub)—"Would you like to see where I was vaccinated?"

He (with enthusiasm)—"Sure."

S. Y. T. (pointing toward house which they had just passed)—"Well, right in there."—Lyre.

Do your Christmas Shopping with our Advertisers.

A. AND M. CLUBS TO CELEBRATE WITH DANCES

Christmas Hoildays Over Entire State to be Scenes of Aggie Entertainment.

The following named clubs are going to have either a banquet or a dance on the date designated and invite all A. & M. men in the vicinity to be there. All past, present and prospective Aggies are especially invited to come. Several clubs have made special preparations for large numbers of ex-students and their friends. All ex-students who wish bids for the dances are requested to communicate with the club officers soon after their arrival home for the holidays. Excellent music is assured on all occasions, for the Aggie and the Aggie Collegions will play practically all the dances. The Aggie and will play North Texas and the Aggie Collegions in South Texas.

Crockett Club, December 26.
Southwest Texas, December 26.
Beaumont, December 30.
Greenville, December 31, Elk Club.
DeWitt County, December 23.
Texarkana, December 30.
Dallas, December 22
San Antonio, December 22.
Galveston, December 29.
Kaufman, December 30.
Grayson County, at Denison, December 23.
Gonzales, December 25 and 26.
Rio Grande Valley, December 29.
Fort Worth, December 23.
Northeast Texas at Tyler, December 24.
Waco Club, December 22.
Houston Club, December 26.
Johnson County Club at Cleburne, December 22.
Falls County Club at Marlin, December 27.
Palo Pinto County Club, Mineral Wells, December 23.
Burnett Llano County Club, at Llano, December 29.
Capitol City Club, Elks Hall, December 23, Austin.

1925 PICTORIAL CALENDARS ARE DISTINCTIVE AND ELABORATE

The new calendars for 1925 arrived yesterday. They are neat and very attractive. The cover is of genuine leather with a beautiful and artistic cover design and a new, distinctive seal. The calendars contain twelve pages of campus scenes, pictures of athletic teams, and views of games. The paper is of the rough, pebbled variety, such as was used in the last year's Longhorn. The military and campus views are very impressive. All the pictures are very clear, and they represent characteristic scenes about the campus.

The calendars this year are undoubtedly the prettiest ever seen here, and they make an appropriate Christmas gift. Extra copies of the calendar may be purchased from H. R. Johnson, at No. 4 Mitchell.

RHODES SCHOLAR SELECTED HERE BY COMMITTEE

Texas University Man Chosen to go to Oxford Next October to Begin Studies.

The Texas committee on selection for the Rhodes scholarship, met here last Saturday for the purpose of interviewing the fourteen men who were invited to appear before the committee. The committee was in session from early in the morning until late in the afternoon, meeting the applicants. Dr. W. B. Bizzell is chairman of the Texas committee, and the other members are: Prof. H. Trantham, Baylor University, secretary; Prof. C. F. Zeek, Southern Methodist University; C. S. Gentry, attorney, Houston; E. P. Woodruff, attorney, Brownwood.

After each of the fourteen men had been interviewed, six of them were again called before the committee Saturday night, and from these six W. Terrell Sledge of the University of Texas was selected as the Rhodes scholar from Texas for 1925.

He will go into residence at Oxford next October. Many different colleges were represented by the men who appeared before the committee. Texas University had three candidates, Baylor one, Yale University one, Southwestern University had two candidates as did S. M. U. Two of the men were from Rice, one from University of the South (Sewanee), and one was from Virginia Military Institute. A. and M. men who appeared before the committee are W. R. Frederick, Jr., J. A. Mowlan, and Edward H. Capers.

All the applicants were guests of the college while here. Most of them spent their leisure moments looking the college over and visiting friends who are students here.

C. B. MAUFRIAS CHOSEN FOR PRESIDENT OF FISH CLASS

The Freshman class met in the Y Chapel after dinner on Monday, December 8, for the purpose of electing officers for the year. The election was full of enthusiasm and friendly rivalry.

Officers chosen were: C. B. Maufrias of Austin, president; W. H. Carpenter of Sudan, vice-president; H. S. Woodland of Cordele, secretary-treasurer; and A. H. Peoples of Dallas, historian. The student welfare committee representative of the class is O. J. Hunt of Teague.

A Modern Dairy.

Assistant: "Here are a couple of divorces in the most exclusive circles. How shall I head the story?"

Editor: "Say 'Cream of Society Goes Through Separator.'"

Riff: "How did you puncture that tire?"

Raff: "Couldn't you see it?"

Raff: "Naw, the little runt had it under his coat."

FARMER BANKER CONFERENCE IS GREAT SUCCESS

Two Full Days Utilized to Mutual Benefit to Both Parties In Attendance.

The Farmer-Banker Conference met at A. and M. College on Monday and Tuesday, December 15-16, with over a hundred delegates from all parts of Texas present. The convention was staged under the auspices of the Texas State Bankers Association and the college was host to the members of the conference, placing at the disposal of the bankers and farmers its entire plant, consisting of buildings, equipment, and lecture force.

At seven forty-five on Monday morning, registration took place in the Y. M. C. A. building. At eight o'clock, R. L. Thornton, president of the Bankers Association, formally opened the conference by calling on President Bizzell for the introductory remarks. The subject for discussion until ten o'clock was "Means of Increasing Farm Products." From ten until eleven thirty, "Ranch Economics" was the subject.

The conference met again at one thirty for the purpose of inspecting the College. The exhibit of livestock at the Animal Husbandry Pavilion was the main feature, although the Dairy Barn and the Creamery, the M. E. Shops and the Textile Mill also aroused much interest. The inspection continued until four o'clock, when a number of lectures were delivered at the Assembly Hall.

Monday evening at the Mess Hall, President Bizzell was in charge of the lectures and discussion on "Farm Financing and the Banker."

Tuesday morning the delegates met in "Round Table Discussion" in which everyone joined in giving and asking advice. Later, the conference was called to order in the Assembly Hall for its final meeting.

The delegates seemed to be universal in their opinion that the conference had been a success. All were profuse in their praise of the college's entertainment and many professed themselves to be surprised with the magnitude of the service the college is giving. The primary purpose of the conference was to establish a better understanding between the farmers and bankers, and in addition to accomplishing this, the delegates seemed pleased at the opportunity of gaining an inner view of the college.

Credit to the success of the conference is due to R. L. Thornton, F. C. Pondrom, and Wm. A. Philpott, respectively, president, treasurer, and secretary of the Bankers Association; to the Agricultural Committee, O. L. Slaton, chairman; to the Committee on Program, Dean E. J. Kyle, chairman; to the Publicity Committee, Frank O. Martin, chairman, and to the Committee on Entertainment, Colonel Ike Ashburn, chairman.