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CADETS WILL PERFORM FOR C. C.

Sixty-Seven Princesses to Be Escorted By Seniors

The third annual convention of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held in Bryan May 5-7th., inclusive. Elaborate plans for the entertainment of the visitors are being prepared by the host city and by the college, including a massed band concert and contest in which twenty-five hundred musicians are expected to participate, a spectacular and beautiful pageant, the theme of which will be the symbolical portrayal of the triumph of knowledge in the progress of man, various exhibits, inspections of the college and its departments, a review of the A. & M. Corps of Cadets, open air concerts by the A. & M. College Band, baseball games, banquets and many forms of recreation at the country Club.

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FENCING CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The fencing club comes to the college as a full grown sport and will be one of the stronger minor sports next year.

John Jefferson, of the band, has been elected president with Bill Dean as business manager. With these men as the leaders we will have lots to hear about the club's activities here and at other schools. Tentative plans are being made to immesh the other schools in the conference in their foils. Fencing seems to be quite the thing at a number of colleges over the land it is an ancient and honorable sport besides, what D'Arctagan did the Aggies can duplicate.

Membership is open to everyone for the remainder of the semester but will be put on some sort of a selective basis next year. The club has equipment for about 15 men, the material has been individually purchased by the membership. Workouts are held every Tuesday and Friday and arnica and monkey blood is used profusely by the fencers for it is no mild afternoon affair. Golf is such a nice game. Camerades—des foils is the name of the club and literally means 'students of the sword.'

MATHEMATICS PRIZES

Freshmen and Sophomores in this College are invited to compete for mathematics prizes which have been offered by friends of the College, through the effort of Professor John W. Mitchell, to stimulate student interest in mathematical scholarship. The First Freshman Prize of \$30.00 in cash is offered by Mr. C. L. Hasie, a former student of this college, now a civil engineer at Memphis, Texas; The Second Freshman Prize of \$20.00 in cash is to be given also by Mr. Hasie. The First Sophomore Prize of \$30.00 in cash is offered by Mr. James Sullivan, Business Manager of Athletics in the College; The Second Sophomore Prize of \$20.00 in cash is offered by A. M. Waldrop and Company, of Bryan and College Station.

Those eligible to compete for the Freshman Prizes are students who are classed as Freshman and who are not repeating Mathematics 101, 102, 103 or 104. Those eligible for the Sophomore Prizes are students who are classed as Sophomore and who are not repeating Mathematics 203, 204.

By preliminary one-hour tests in each section in algebra, covering

Mathematics 101 and 102, and in each section of trigonometry and analytics, covering Mathematics 103, 104, Freshmen will be selected to compete in the final examination. The two students making the highest combined grades in these two preliminary tests will represent their Freshman sections (the analytics sections are to be used here as the basis of sectioning) in the final three-hour examination. The final examination to determine the winners of the First and Second Freshman Prizes is to be based upon Mathematics 101, 102, 103, 104.

Preliminary tests for Sophomores will be held in a similar manner. First, one-hour tests will be given on differentiation and its application; second, one-hour tests will be given on integration and its application. The two students making the highest combined grades in these two preliminary tests will represent their Sophomore sections in the final three-hour examination. The final three-hour examination to determine the winners of the First and Second Sophomore Prizes will be based upon Mathematics 203, 204.

CHARLES PURYEAR

AGGIE TEAMS DEBATE THURSDAY

Thursday night April 4th. at eight o'clock in the Physics lecture room the Aggie Debating Team consisting of J. Bertrand and R. N. Talbot, will debate the Sam Houston State Teachers College on the subject: "Resolved that the U. S. should adopt a substitute for the jury system," with A. & M. taking the negative side of the question. On the same night another Aggie Team made up of B. A. Clutter and Bill Carnahan will debate the affirmative side of the question in Huntsville. Carnahan and Clutter will debate S. M. U. here on April 22nd. on "Resolved that in a democracy the Parliamentary Form of Government is Preferable to the Presidential Form." The other team goes to T. C. U. the same night to debate the negative side of the question.

Both of the teams have been working hard and as work is best evident by results we know that they will be sure to put on a debate that A. & M. will be proud of.

BAND GOES TO SCHULENBERG

This morning on April 3rd. the Aggie Band left on its second trip of the year via Houston to Schulenberg, and there the boys will arrive at about eleven thirty A. M.

The purpose of the trip is to play for the celebration of the opening of a new Borden's Milk Company. There will also be other bands there from Fort Sam Houston, from Texas University, and from the Shrine Temple at Houston. At about one o'clock there will be a mass parade of the bands and at three o'clock the band from A. & M. will give a public concert. The people of Schulenberg are going to take members of the band into their homes for the noon day meal.

With the entertainment by the young ladies and the Dutch refreshments the boys are assured of a very pleasant trip.

BAND CONTEST AT STADIUM

Sixty Bands Expected to Compete

The largest aggregation of musicians ever assembled at one time in this division is expected for the fourth annual band contest and tournament, Texas Band Teachers Association, to be held at Bryan May 5-6 in conjunction with the third annual convention of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. E. A. Lightfoot, director of the Allen Academy Band, Bryan, and chairman of the divisional and local committees for the contest, has announced that sixty to seventy-five bands are expected to compete in the contest.

A feature of this gathering of bands from throughout East Texas will be a massed band concert planned for the evening of May 6th., the opening day of the convention, just prior to the spectacular pageant to be depicted in the A. & M. College athletic stadium.

Indications are that this year's prize list will be the largest in the history of the division. Gold medals will be awarded to directors of bands winning first prize, in all classes, and loving cups to the bands which they direct. Medals and cups will be awarded band-master and their organizations, respectively, winning second places in the various classes. The national association's full set of prizes will be awarded in the three high school classes and in addition there will be numerous other prizes offered by several firms and organizations.

The band making the highest score will be designated as the official East Texas Chamber of Commerce band for the ensuing year. The director of the band will receive a gold medal and the band a loving cup, both these latter awards being by the East Texas Chamber of commerce.

Participants in the contest will be divided into seven regular classes and seven special classes. Regular classes will include six-months bands and one, two, three, four, five and six year bands. Special classes will include three divisions of high school bands, college or university bands, both in the Southwest and Texas Conferences, T. I. A. A., junior col-