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D. H. CONTEST AND BANQUET

G. W. Brown Wins High Point Medal In Freshman Contest

The Freshman dairy judging contest given under the auspices of the Dairy Department was held Friday afternoon. There were fifty-five men entered in the contest. From this number the following were announced as winners: G. W. Brown, D Troop Cav., was high point man in the contest, scoring 449 points out of a possible 500; and winners of the individual breeds were: J. R. Roeder Jr., H. Co., Inf., Jerseys; R. L. Pool, A Troop Cav., Holsteins; W. C. Heise, A Troop Cav., Guernseys; C. A. Taylor, G Co., Inf., Ayrshires.

Saturday evening the Kream and Kow Club gave their annual banquet having the winners as guests. Sam Davis, a promising 1st. lieutenant in the Cavalry and having ambitions along oratorical lines, acted as toastmaster. The principal speaker of the evening was Jack Shelton, president of the Texas Jersey Cattle Club. After the address the above mentioned winners were presented with medals by Sam Eberstadt of Bryan. Following the presentation of the medals and a few short talks the new president of the club, O. W. Thompson was formally announced. The meeting ended with a warm reception for a number of Sophomores who intend to specialize in dairy husbandry work.

FORTNIGHTLY CLUB HAS ANNUAL PICNIC

Last Saturday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Siddall of Anderson, Texas, honored the Fortnightly Literary Club with a splendid barbecue given at the Yarboro Fishing Club. The guests drove down in cars and were received with the utmost hospitality by the host and hostess, their daughter Miss Elizabeth Siddall and her friend Miss Beverly Fuddington.

Swimming, rowing and dancing were the main sports engaged in while there, although some of the boys attending engaged in pushing cars out of the mud before arriving. The cadets were given a test in meal
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LARGE SWIMMING POOL FOR COLLEGE BEING CONSIDERED BY OFFICIALS

Seventy by Two-Hundred Feet is Tentative Size; Filtration Plant to be Modern.

Does this institution need a swimming pool of vast greater size? Unquestionably so. It has been agitated for several years with a small degree of success, but now the matter has been seriously considered by both the college authorities and the board of directors. It is needless to expound upon the advantages of an out-of-door pool, especially in a college of this size. Estimates indicate that ninety percent of the students have learned the art of swimming, and since in this climate there are practically only three months of the entire year in which the weather will not permit the sport, it seems that if the project is carried through it will be a great accomplishment for the institution.

The idea is still in embryo form, but tentative plans are now under

consideration. It seems likely that the size will be seventy by two hundred feet, making the basin capable of accommodating six thousand people at one time. A filtration plant will be built, which will absolutely purify and clarify the water. The cost as estimated will probably be around fifteen thousand dollars, but it is hoped by the authorities that this sum can be reduced by one-third by getting student opinion back of the project, and by enlisting their cooperation through some plan not yet figured out.

Several ex-students have offered to make contributions in cash, material, or services. Many Mothers' Clubs over the state have expressed their desire to help in any way to put the plan across. Various depart-
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JUNIOR STAFF TO PRINT BATTALION NEXT WEEK

Following a long standing custom, the Junior staff will put out the last issue of The Battalion next week. L. W. Johnston, editor-in-chief for next year will have full charge of the editorial part and Lester Hank will handle the business part of the issue.

Both of these men have been working with this year's staff quite a bit, and should be capable of taking over the management of the paper after the exodus of the present staff.

No members of the staff for next year have been appointed yet, but Johnston will be helped by the present under-classmen members of the staff. All others who wish to contribute anything to the last issue of The Battalion for this year are invited to do so.

Bryan and College DeMolays and all others who wish to attend are invited to the Bryan Country Club Saturday night May 25th., for the annual DeMolay dance. Music will be by Aggieland from 9 till 12. Admission will be \$1.50.

SADDLE AND SIRLOIN CLUB HAS BARBECUE

The annual barbecue given by the Saddle and Sirloin Club was held Friday afternoon. The Club has as their guests about two hundred students and instructors of the college.

The feature number on the program was the in-door baseball game between the Senior team and the professors of the A. H. Department. The game which is usually a hotly contested game was reduced to more or less a practice game for the Seniors, the final score being 7-13 at the close of the fifth inning.

After the game the usual mealhound rush, so frequently displayed by the Sbisavolunteers, was made for the barbecue pit. The hog guessers and sheep punchers were lined up and passed in review by a long table at which they were served barbecued meat, lemonade and ice cream. The Saddle and Sirloin Club is one of the most active on the campus and should be commended on the stimulative interest aroused through its efforts.

CHEM. CONTEST WINNERS KNOWN

Seventh Annual Contest and Banquet Held.

The results of the Seventh Annual Chemistry Contest were announced at the banquet Sunday night held for the winners of the preliminaries in the various sections. C. C. Nash had the distinction of being first in the contest. He was presented with twenty-five dollars by Mr. Zacharean of Summit, New Jersey. Other high point men were Fishes J. E. Hurley, winner of second place; N. O. Carman, third place; A. J. Miller, fourth place; and I. Schepps, fifth place.

The first chemistry contest of this kind was instigated in 1923. Since then it has been the policy of the department to hold one every year, exclusively for the freshmen students.

Twenty-nine men were selected for the finals, each being a winner in his particular section. The banquet was given in honor of the high point men of each section, each being introduced by Mr. Brayton. Dr. Hedges, head of the department acted in the capacity of toastmaster.

This contest is always the source of the stimulant of a great deal of interest among the students, and is always carried off with success. The prize offered affords an opportunity for material gain to the students, causing them to extend a little more effort on the subject of chemistry. Since the majority of freshmen are required to take the subject, the contest is unquestionably a great help to both the students and to the department.

Y CABINET MEETS TO SELECT NEW MEMBERS

This last week end the Y. M. C. A. made a retreat to the Fin Feather country club, the purpose of which was to elect the cabinet members, to decide upon the program that the Y will follow for the next year, and to set the date for the first banquet to be given for the fish in the history of the school.

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