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## \$108,000.00 ON IMPROVEMENTS

### HONORED



### MAJOR DUNN HEADS A. AND M. BAND

Elected a Member of the American Bandmasters Association.

The familiar tune of the Spirit of Aggieland will be heard soon when some seventy-five old students in the band return re-enforced by some promising freshmen. Major Dunn, bandmaster, and recently honored by being elected a member of the American Bandmasters Association, is making preparations to put our band on an equal basis with the best in the country. One of the worse setbacks is the small number of instruments available and the deplorable condition of many of them.

Many students this year will have to furnish their own instruments in the hope of learning something new and developing their musical talent. The recompense will come when they will be authorized to make some trips over the state for concerts. At present we can boast of having one of the best bands in the South since the men composing are admitted thorough competitive examination.

Major Dunn is very enthusiastic in the reorganization of the Glee Club and wishes to enlarge its membership. All students interested in the classic art of singing are invited to interview Major Dunn.

### PROGRESS BEING MADE ON STADIUM

Business Manager James E. Sullivan is now looking bright and happy over the progress that is being made on the new stadium, which when completed will be the largest in the south and southwest.

When the oval is completed, about the time of the S. M. U. game, it will seat about thirty-five thousand people and the total cost will be three hundred and sixty-five thousand.

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### THREE THOUSAND STUDENTS EXPECTED

Unusually Large Number of Students Transferring From Other Colleges.

From all expectations there will be approximately three thousand students enrolled in the institution within the next week, including one thousand freshmen. The facts of the case this year are in harmony with the general trend of registration in the past: namely, an apparent steady growth.

One of the unusualities of this year's matriculation is the exceptionally large number of students expected to transfer from other institutions, especially junior colleges. Also there is an encouraging increase in the number enrolling in the departments of agriculture, geology, and petroleum engineering.

Petroleum engineering, a course to be offered under this year's curriculum, deals with the taking out of oil from the ground, the storage and transportation of oil, or in other words, the engineering phases. Although it comes under the school of engineering, the work will be done in close cooperation with the geology department. This course has attracted the favorable attention of oil men throughout the state, and they have shown their willingness to substantially help the work. J. B. Joyce, ex-student of the class of 1917, will act in the capacity of head of the department. He has had

quite a bit of experience in the oil line, and is an outstanding man in petroleum production.

The facultorial staff will be augmented by the following:

T. R. Hamilton and G. R. Gragee, will instruct in the department of accounting and statistics; J. C. Dykes in agricultural education, John Gorman in animal husbandry, S. C. Vosper in architectural department, Dr. Vernon Young in biology, J. K. Blum in chemistry, M. P. Frank in civil engineering, J. W. Barger in economics, J. Q. Hays, W. B. Dobson, and B. M. Cooney in the English department, A. E. Finley and W. L. Porter, who has returned from Rice Institute where he obtained his doctor's degree, in the mathematics department.

Ernest Langford will succeed Dr. Giesecke as head of the architectural department. Dr. Giesecke will devote his entire time to the experiment station research work, and to his duties as college architect. Mr. Crawford succeeds Mr. Bliss as head of the mechanical engineering department. Matty Bell will head the department of physical education, relieving Coach Bible. John B. Read succeeds Coach Bassett, and J. G. Holmes has joined the coaching staff.

### YELLING STAFF IS ANNOUNCED

A great big worry has been lifted from the minds of two thousand men at our school. Old "Hop" Reynolds, the Bastrop Blaze, has returned single to us despite numerous false reports of his having drowned in the sea of matrimony.

As senior yell leader Hop will mold the spirit of the men in the corps into a phantom volley that will crash forth like thunder when that team goes on the field.

"Doc" Farmer, a good natured boy who ranches around Junction will be Hop's senior assistant. Aside from being a boy of sterling character, there is no one on the campus who could fill the position better than he.

And now ladies and gentlemen, you have before you tonight two young men from Dear Old Forest Hi who have made good for dear Alma Mater in being selected as junior assistants on the Texas Aggie yelling staff. These boys are none other

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### DORMITORIES COMPLETELY WORKED OVER

The following statement has been issued by Mr. B. D. Marburger, Head of the Grounds and College Utilities Department, to clear in the minds of students the questions concerning the expenditure of the increased fee charged this year:

College authorities approved the expenditure of \$108,000.00, being the amount available, for the improvement in the dormitories and for additional furniture. The estimated cost was as follows:

Plumbing, wiring and plaster work	\$17,000.00
Carpenter and paint work	\$22,000.00
All steel dressers	\$28,000.00
Oak arm chairs	\$15,600.00
Two men oak tables with book racks and drawers	\$ 8,000.00
Double deck beds to accommodate 720 students	\$ 6,100.00
Re-decorate interior Alpha and Beta halls, double floor, install ceiling, paint exterior and interior of 157 shacks	\$11,000.00

Total .....\$108,000.00

The supply of dressers has been exhausted and students need not be excited because these will be put in their rooms as soon as the factory can ship them out. A hope is maintained that the student body will cooperate in preserving in good condition all State property.

In personal interview with Mr. Marburger, we are able to find out the expense which the College has undergone in order to beautify and

### FIVE NEW ARMY OFFICERS HERE

The coming year will see five new commissioned officers transferred to this college to assist the military department in its R. O. T. C. program. In each case the new men are relieving others who are reporting for duty elsewhere.

Major Benjamin F. Delameter, an infantryman to replace Major Bertram, comes to us from Ft. Sam Houston. He is an ex-student of this college, class of 1909, but left in 1907 to attend West Point, graduating from that institution in 1912. During the World War he was in the adjutant general's department. His home is in Caldwell.

Capt. Harold B. Gibson comes to us from Ft. Riley, Kansas, relieving Major Limbocker. He is a native of Missouri and received his commission being appointed from the Missouri National Guard. He is a graduate of the Cavalry School.

Capt. Calvin S. Richards, a native of Pennsylvania, has been an army

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J. E. Mitchell, last year's graduate of the college, has been chosen by the authorities as assistant to Col. C. J. Nelson. Mitchell, during his senior year, served in the capacity of captain in the field artillery unit. He also has been a member of the Student Welfare Committee, and his knowledge of student affairs, his personality, and his capabilities, all unfailingly point to the fact that the authorities have acted wisely.