

## District Manager G. E. Speaks To Senior Engineers

"Engineering is the backbone of industry," L. T. Blaisdale, district manager of the General Electric Company, president of the Dallas chapter of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and associate member of the Dallas A & M Club, said in his talk to the senior engineering students on "The Engineer in Business" at their banquet Monday night.

"The executive and responsible positions are to be in the future filled by engineers," the speaker stated, "and hard work, friendliness and co-operation are the points to be remembered in mounting to such positions."

In discussing what a graduate might expect after leaving school, Mr. Blaisdale sketched the "post graduate" school of practical learning of the General Electric Company as being representative of the probable advancement of the engineer, explaining that the student's desire before graduation was to be able to use his knowledge of a slide rule and figures and to stick to details, but that the "money is on the business end."

Among the numerous qualities desirable in a progressive employee, as given by the speaker, are to be a friend of everybody in the organization, for it is by helping them and not by stepping on their toes that one progresses, to practice self examination, to have your whole heart in your work, and not be too modest about your abilities. "The future is one hundred per cent up to you," Mr. Blaisdale reminded.

Arthur E. Shields, district manager of the industrial department of the General Electric and a member of the class of 1910, preceded the main speaker of the evening with a short address.

Most recent orders read that all seniors will be required to attend the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, the ceremony to receive commission Friday and the graduation exercises Saturday, May 30. It is also announced that all seniors will be required to have passes to leave the campus during Senior Week.

## Miller and White Win Essay Contest

A. J. Miller of Corsicana and Karl K. White of Eastland have been judged the winners of the annual sophomore and freshman writing contests respectively. Miller will receive a prize of \$25 offered by Mr. Williams Morris of Dallas, class of 1902, while White will get a prize of \$20 offered by Dr. J. Allen Kyle of Houston, class of 1890.

W. A. Ludeman of Gainesville and J. G. Goldberg of San Antonio were given honorable mention in the sophomore contest, and H. F. Martin of Dallas received an honorable mention in the first year affair.

White's prize winning paper was entitled "What is an Education," while Miller's winning theme was on "Contributions of Chemistry to the Home".

Ten papers were submitted in each contest for the judging and the final decision made by committees composed of representatives of the English department and of the student body. In the sophomore contest, however, it was necessary to eliminate five of the contestants and re-judge the remaining five before a final decision could be made.

## Senior Week Starts At Noon Sunday

Saturday noon will mark the close of the last classroom period in the academic existence for seniors who are not behind in subjects other than those of senior standing and for seniors who do not plan to do any graduate study work, for "Senior Week" begins Sunday after the baccalaureate chapel services.

There's a catch in it, however, as seniors enrolled in required courses not of senior standing, must attend these recitations until the course has been completed. Seniors will not be required to attend elective courses next week, even though these courses are not of senior standing.

Senior term examinations will be held Monday and Tuesday, May 25 and 26. Arrangements to take these tests must be made by the individual with the heads of their respective departments.

Underclassmen will be dismissed from classes Friday, May 29, at noon. Term examinations for them will be held Friday, May 29, in the afternoon, and Saturday, May 30, in the morning and afternoon.

## Medal Winners to Receive Trophies In Review Sunday

Final award of college medals will be made at a review to be held Sunday, May 24, on the drill field. The review will begin at 8:20 a. m.

Among the medals and trophies to be distributed will be "T" medals to varsity lettermen, the Caldwell trophy to the best drilled man in the corps, and Hurst's trophy medal and ribbons—to rifle team members. Trophies also will be given to the honor company, battery, and troop in each battalion, and, in addition, the Walters trophy will be presented to the most efficient Cavalry troop. The National Intercollegiate rifle trophy will officially be presented to the rifle team as a group.

NEW YORK.—Students of Barnard College have presented college authorities with a petition asking for a change in the grading system at the college, and the substitution of pass-failmarks only. The action of the students followed a campaign carried on by the Bulletin under graduate newspaper.

## Sophomore Prom Is Disapproved

With an emphatic "Disapproved" stamped across its face, the petition for the annual Sophomore Prom was returned to class officials last week by Student Activities Committee. Detraction from the Junior Prom and Final Ball and interference with studies were given as causes for the disapproval.

President T. O. Walton declined to act in the matter, stating that the committee had full control over such matters and undoubtedly had a just cause for withholding permission to hold the affair.

Refusal of premission to hold their first and only social function of the year was made known to the sophomores by their class president, T. B. Goodrich of Marlin, at a class meeting held in the Assembly Hall last Thursday. Further action on the matter was unanimously voted down by the class.

The money thus far collected on bids for the dance will be returned, Goodrich stated.

## Retiring Editor



R. L. HERBERT

## Retiring Business Manager



R. N. WINDERS

### ANOTHER STAFF PASSES ON

Their work on the staff of The Battalion virtually being complete with the completion of this issue, Robert L. Herbert, and Richard N. Winders pass on to next year's editor, Claude M. Evans, the difficult task of continuing a work nobly attacked and successfully carried on. Too much can hardly be given in favor of these two men, for Herbert has left nothing undone towards publishing a paper which would reflect only credit on the college, and Winders has done an excellent work in keeping up with the expenses that Herbert has incurred, despite the financial handicap which he was forced to work under.

Unfortunately the publication lost the services of Herbert for its last few issues, but because of his accomplishments, it was voted to retain his name as editor-in-chief for the remainder of the year.

## C. E. Calder To Address Seniors At Commencement

C. E. Calder, a widely known and recognized individual in the financial and public utility fields, has been obtained as the speaker for the commencement address to be given at the exercises Saturday, May 30, at Guion Hall, when the largest senior class in the history of the college wends its way past the last goal post of education to receive diplomas.

Mr. Calder's official connections include president of the American and Foreign Power Company, incorporated, vice president of the Electric Bond and Share Company, director of both the National City Bank of New York and the First National Bank of Dallas, and officer of various other public utility and financial organizations, and his accomplishments as a speaker to

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## New Coast Artillery Unit Assigned Equipment And Basic Course Students

### College Again Gets High Military Rating

The Military Department of the college again has a rating of "excellent" following an inspection made here recently by army officers from eighth corps area headquarters in San Antonio.

In addition to rating the military department as a whole, the inspectors also rated each service branch individually. The Artillery, Cavalry, Engineers, and Signal Corps units all received ratings of "excellent," while the Infantry was given a rating of "satisfactory."

As a result of this rating, the college will be permitted to designate five per cent of its second year advanced military science course graduates as "Honor Graduates." As such the names of these men, soon to be designated, will appear on the commencement day program.

The honor graduates thus named also will be entitled to appointment in the regular army in time of a vacancy without the usually required mental examination, if they so desire.

### New Technoscope Staff is Announced

The staff of The Technoscope has been selected and work on next year's publications is under way, it was learned from E. P. Fortson of Ashville, N. Carolina, who will occupy the editors desk next year. The following men will perform the indicated duties:

B. G. Zimmerman, Shiner, advertising manager; G. H. Samuels, San Antonio, associate editor; W. T. Evans, Corsicana, assistant editor; P. D. Laughter, Matagorda, news editor; H. W. Perkins, Dallas, associate news editor; L. W. Storms, San Antonio, assistant news editor; and J. L. Chapman, Lockhart, designer.

Other officers are: B. G. Zimmerman, Shiner, business manager; J. C. Barron, Center, associate business manager; B. M. Gottlieb, Corsicana, assistant business manager; F. S. Scott, Little Rock, Ark., circulation manager; J. B. Cornett, Waco, associate circulation manager; and C. C. Johnson, Victoria, assistant circulation manager.

The complete support and co-operation of all engineering students is asked in the editing and publication of this magazine. Next year a effort is to be made to secure membership in the Engineering College Magazine Association.

Programs for commencement can be obtained now from the president's office, the Y M C A, or the office of Dr. Humbert in the Agricultural building, but cannot be obtained at the commandant's office.

### Commencement Program Changed

Recent changes in the program for the commencement activities for Thursday and Friday of Senior Week, move all Ross Volunteer activities which are scheduled for those dates to Friday afternoon. This change affects the drill competition which was formerly planned for Thursday afternoon that under the revised program this will follow the exhibition drill on Friday afternoon. The competition drill will be held to determine the winner of a ten dollar gold piece that is being donated by a resident of the campus.

### SENIORS OF ORGANIZATION TAKEN FROM PRESENT FIELD ARTILLERY

Recent orders from the War Department indicate that the organization and establishment of the two Coast Artillery batteries here next September are well under way, and immediate work on the part of the department of military science has virtually completed the enrollment of sophomore members which are being drafted voluntarily from the present freshman members of the engineering and signal corps units.

The first freshman to signify his intentions of joining the new unit was Charles E. Friley, jr., son of Dean Friley of the School of Arts and Sciences, it was learned from Major Sloan this week.

New equipment which will be sent here during the summer for instruction in this branch of the army will have a valuation of over \$50,000 and will necessitate the erection of a building for storage purposes. Tentative plans call for the building to be placed adjoining the armory.

Aside from numerous types of computing devices, calculating instruments, and surveying instruments there will be sent the following heavy equipment: one 155 mm. gun, one 3-inch sea-coast gun, one 75 mm. anti-aircraft gun mounted on a truck, one 10-ton tractor, and one 3-ton truck. Aside from this the work in camp, which will be held at Fort Crockett at Galveston, will involve the use of many new instruments that have been developed since the last war.

The disciplinary control of the batteries, until Seniors can be from within their own batteries, will be composed of five seniors and five juniors from the six field Artillery batteries. These men will continue in their field artillery work however, and will be in charge of the battery only for formations and while in barracks.

Army instruction in this work will be under the direction of two army officers and an enlisted detachment which will arrive here during the summer. The establishment of this unit comes following the war department's increasing its defense along the gulf coast and the likewise need for reserve officers in this unit.

Student requirements for signing up in the coast artillery at the beginning of school are that their class work include a course in Trigonometry at least.

## Decorations Final Ball Being Finished

Decoration for the junior banquet, junior prom, and final ball, the annual commencement social affairs, is rapidly being carried to completion by J. L. Keith and other groups in charge of arrangements, George Fix, president of the junior class, announced this week.

The Final Ball, as in the past, will be the only one of the events that will be open to the entire student body. The Junior banquet, which will start at seven Thursday evening, will precede the Junior Prom. The Banquet will be open to the Juniors and their ladies only, while the seniors are invited to share the evening's dance in the main dining room. The script to the Prom is two dollars and a half, and will be paid by all attending. The Final Ball on the following night is in honor of the four year men, and may be attended by all underclassmen. Members of the finance commit-

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