

Commencement Plans Announced

State Educator Dies Suddenly At College

Death Follows Sudden Illness Of Public Man

Dies In College Hospital While Visiting Here For Farm Contests.

Death took the life of S. M. N. Marrs, State Superintendent of Public Instruction last night following an attack of heart trouble about two-thirty Monday afternoon. He died about nine-thirty.

Superintendent Marrs, here for the annual Smith-Hughes judging contests for vocational agriculture students, was climbing the main stairway in the administration building on his way to an appointment, shortly after two o'clock when he became ill. He was given emergency treatment and removed shortly afterward to the hospital where late in the afternoon he was reported resting well.

He was rational at various times following the first attack but a sudden relapse was followed by his expiration at 9:30. According to those in attendance at the hospital, he was conscious shortly before death.

At his bedside were several members of his immediate family, including his wife, who made the trip from Austin on being advised of his illness.

The body, accompanied by Mrs. Marrs, W. R. Marrs, J. F. Marrs, and S. N. Marrs, was forwarded by car to Austin Tuesday morning where funeral services will be held Wednesday. Hour of the funeral is to be announced later.

When stricken, Supt. Marrs was accompanied by his brother W. R. Marrs, and his little grandson, C. D. Marrs, Jr., son of C. D. Marrs, who is a graduate student at the college this year.

Surviving Supt. Marrs are: Mrs. Marrs, his wife; R. H. Marrs, San Antonio; C. D. Marrs, College Station; and S. N. Marrs, Austin; Mrs. J. F. Weinzierl, Houston, daughter; five grandchildren, four brothers and two sisters.

Supt. Marrs was an outstanding figure in the educational circles of Texas where he devoted nearly his whole life to educational work. He was born in January, 1862, at Gauley's Bridge, Fayette County, West Virginia. He came to Texas in 1882.

He was superintendent of schools at Stephenville, Hamilton, and Cleburne, and then for a period of twenty-five years was superintendent of schools at Terrell. He left Terrell in 1919 to become chief supervisor of high schools of the state department of education when Miss Annie Webb Blanton was state superintendent. Later he became first assistant state superintendent and then succeeded Miss Blanton as state superintendent in 1923. He held that post until his death, being in his tenth year of service.

Morgan Granted Fellowship For Western College

W. E. Morgan, assistant registrar, has been granted one year leave of absence, effective July 15, to attend the University of California at Berkeley. He was granted a fellowship provided by the Southern Social Science Research Council of Atlanta, Ga., and will do work toward a master's degree. His major study will be agricultural economics.

Morgan is a member of the class of 1930 and has held office of assistant registrar for two years. For two years before this he was student assistant to the registrar. He will leave for California in August.

Battle Of Flowers Speakers Chosen Following Try-Out

D. L. Tisinger And W. O. Alexander Will Represent College In Historical Declaration.

D. L. Tisinger, Garland, and W. O. Alexander, Bryan, have been chosen to represent A and M in the speech contest sponsored by the Daughters of the Texas Revolution which is to be held in the San Pedro Playhouse in San Antonio on the anniversary of the Battle of San Jacinto.

Battle of Flowers
The contest is to be held in conjunction with the Battle of Flowers and is open to only two delegates from Texas University and two from A and M. Contestants are limited to 1500 words and their subject must touch some phase of Texas history. The sponsors have offered a first prize of one hundred dollars and a second award of seventy-five dollars to the two winners of the competition.

Winners will submit two typewritten copies of their speeches for publication and will be guests of honor at the Battle of Flowers luncheon to be given at noon, April 21.

Five Deliberate
Tisinger and Alexander were selected as entrants from A and M after the five judges had deliberated for almost two hours. Judges for the try-outs were Mrs. J. B. Lewright, Mrs. R. F. Spencer, and Mrs. W. A. Adams, San Antonio members of the society; Mrs. J. P. Wheeler, chairman, Mrs. Will Howell and Mrs. Lee J. Roundtree, Bryan. Elimination try-outs were held in the Asbury Room of the Library on Thursday evening, April 14. I. A. Handler, Galveston, also entered the try-outs. Tisinger spoke on Henry Smith, the only provisional governor of Texas, and Alexander discussed important incident in the lives of outstanding leaders in Texas History. These two men will leave for San Antonio Wednesday afternoon.

Previously the contest has been open only to Texas University students, but through the efforts of Mrs. J. P. Wheeler, A and M students are allowed to enter the contest.

Attendance High For Smith-Hughes Contest Monday

Sixty-five Piece Band Organized For The First Time Gives Concert At Close Of Contests.

Attendance in the annual Smith-Hughes contests this week brought approximately 1400 high school vocational agriculture students here for a crowded one-day program. This is the largest attendance these contests have had.

In all there were 159 school represented, entering 398 teams in the contests, including dairy judging, livestock judging, poultry and egg judging, entomology, farm shop, soil conservation, and plant production.

Sixty-five Piece Band
The judging contests called for complete judgements on all contests, and for announcement of the winners and awarding of trophies at a night meeting in the assembly

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Owls Split Series--- Aggies Still Have Champion Hopes

Veltman And Davis Match With Klaerner For Honor Of The Two Games.

Coach Higginbotham's champions of the Southwest conference diamond remained in the flag chase for 1932 when they staged a comeback against Rice Institute to win the second game of the series by a 4 to 2 count. The feathered tribe played stellar ball behind "Smoky" Klaerner's effective tossing to cap the opener 4 to 3.

Veltman Leads
Captain Lester "Squawk" Veltman led his team and starred in both games, although his brilliant work went for naught in the first fray.

His sensational catch in the ninth checked a Rice rally and saved the second game for his team.

Dividing honors with Captain

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Short Elected New Leader Ex-Students In Annual Meeting

Prominent Member Of Association Takes Office For Year; Has Good Record In Organization.

A. K. "Dad" Short, of the class of 1900, Houston, was named president of the Association of Former Students in their annual meeting last week. Melvin J. Miller, '11, Fort Worth, was made vice-president, and E. E. McQuillen was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

At present engaged as Land Conservation and Terracing Agent for the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Mr. Short is in close contact with every section of the state. It was through his efforts that the Sears-Roebuck Student Loan Fund of the Association was established here at the college. He succeeds J. B. Thomas as president of the Association.

Bids Being Received
The college is now taking bids for a new fire truck to be purchased for the college fire department maintained by the building and grounds department.

Swimmers Defeat Houston YMCA In Water Polo Game

The Texas Aggie swimming team ended its season by winning a water polo game Saturday against the Houston Y M C A polo team, and by taking second place in a triangular meet with the Houston Amateur Swimming Association and the Galveston Beach Association consisting of The Sharks and the Tri-five Club, Sunday, at the Crystal Palace in Galveston.

Captain R. M. Smith's Aggie Polo team overcame the Y team from Houston by a score of 6 to 1 in a hard fought contest. At the end of the half, the score was 1 to 0 in favor of the Aggies, but the Houston team evened the score at

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CARDS BEING DISTRIBUTED FOR LONGHORN

Editor In Jefferson City Making Approval Of Copy Before Printing.

Complete copy for the 1932 Longhorn has been sent to the printer and every detail is being pushed toward the early distribution. A. O. Saenger stated Monday morning. Students are requested to come to the offices of the Longhorn this week and secure their Longhorn cards. These cards will be necessary that one may get his copy of the yearbook.

Students must bring their Fiscal Department receipt, showing that they have paid their student activity fee, when they come for the Longhorn distribution card. These cards only, will allow you to get your book.

Cards are being issued this week from the Longhorn offices in the Library. This office is located on the left side of the lobby beyond the stairs to the second floor.

It is urgent that this matter be attended to at once.

O. A. SAENGER,
Editor, Longhorn.

Saenger left Monday afternoon for Jefferson City, Mo. where he will read proof and pass final approval on the book before it is printed. The Hugh Stephens Press is handling the printing of the book this year. They have a national reputation as yearbook printers, and with the exception of last year's book, have done the Longhorn printing for several years.

It is expected that the book will be here for distribution by the middle of May, but it is impossible to state now the exact distribution date.

R. V. QUEEN CORONATION COURT READY

Miss Mozelle Bryant Will Officially Open Ceremonies Thursday night.

On a brilliantly lighted dias, with her ladies of the court and their escorts, Miss Mozelle Bryant of Goliad will officially open the annual festivities of the Ross Volunteers. She will share the honor with Jack Edgar, king of the organization.

Transforming the main dining room of the mess hall into a ballroom of Spanish architecture, the center of activities will be a huge throne erected across the east end of the building. Gay colors will carry out the motif with a lattice work running the entire length of the room while windows shaded with colored awnings supported by spears and adorned with shields bearing various coats-of-arms will ornament the other side. J. L. Keith is in charge of decorations.

Music for the dances this year

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Scholastics Will Determine Staffs For Publications

Ruling Adopted By Publications Will Require Students To Pass Percentage Of Work.

Effective with the approaching election an order adopted by the Student Publication Board last week will require all publication members to maintain the same scholastic average as required of athletes participating in Southwestern Conference events. This move was made as a safe guard to prevent students, already deficient in classwork, spending their time on a student activity when it was needed in the class room.

This will apply to all members of any publication, and only those qualifying under these rules will be eligible in the future to work on publications.

Ex-Students Will Hold Meetings Over Country April 21

City Club Groups Meet Simultaneously To Discuss College Days.

While students of A and M will be enjoying their annual spring recess from April 21 to 24, former students of A and M all over the world will be celebrating the traditional day for Aggies everywhere to get together, according to information received at the office of the Former Students' Association.

Every year San Jacinto Day has a marked significance to A and M men because on that day wherever there are A and M men in groups of two, three or more luncheons, picnics and general get-togethers are held to enable old timers to once more concentrate their thoughts and conversation on "the good old days."

Aggie ex-students in New York City, Wichita Falls, Waco, El Paso, Schenectady, N. Y., and Tulsa, Oklahoma, are among those who have signified their intention to hold annual meetings this year. In past years, however, meetings have been known to be held in the Orient and in other places outside of the United States, and it is quite likely that they will meet again this year.

All Parts of State Visited By Seniors On Inspection Trips

Seniors And Juniors Leave Campus To Study Phases Of Work.

Approximately 235 junior and senior students are away on the annual inspection trips Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week. Students making these trips are excused from classes wherein applications are made of the work they are studying. The purpose of these trips is to enable the students to observe the practical appliance of the courses they have been pursuing the past three and four years.

Thirty electrical engineering sen-

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Artillery-Cavalry Struggle Again In Annual Horse Show

Large Number Expected To Participate In Affair Announced For Middle Of May.

Rivalry between the Field Artillery and Cavalry R O T C units will be featured at the ninth annual horse show to be held on the college drill field, May 14, at 1:45 p. m. The show will be conducted by the Military Science department and is composed of fifteen events for civilians and cadets. Officials for the show are Major R. S. Hopkins, F. A.; Major I. G. Walker, Cavalry, entries; Captain C. S. Richards, F. A., equipment and grounds; Lieutenant J. V. Carroll, publicity.

Events are listed as follows:

CLASS I—Exhibition
Fine Harness Class—Open to any exhibitor of a two or four wheeled vehicle; judged on manner of going at walk and trot.

CLASS II
Children's Three Gaited—Open to any mount and any child not over fifteen years old; to show walk, trot and canter.

CLASS III
Three Gaited Saddle Horses—Open to one cadet per troop, battery, squadron, battalion, and regimental staff; to show walk, trot, and gallop. United States government mounts.

CLASS IV
Mounted Tug of War—Open to one team each of eight sophomore cadets from the Cavalry Squadron and Field Artillery Battalion.

CLASS V
Equipment Race—Open to one cadet from each battery and troop; conditions; contestants to start at scratch, assemble equipment, harness, and race across line; to be judged on accuracy and speed.

CLASS VI—Exhibition
Three Gaited Saddle Horses—Open to mounts of high action

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Barger Closes Houston Class Of Insurance

Class Of Insurance Men Studying For Professional Examination Ranks Fourth In Size.

A meeting tonight concludes the class in Life Insurance, conducted by Professor Barger of the Department of Economics, under the auspices of the Houston Life Underwriters Association. The class of seventy members, fourth largest in the United States, included employees of more than twenty companies.

Take Examination
All of the men are preparing for the first section of the examination for the Certified Life Underwriters degree to be held at Rice Institute on June 16, 17, and 18.

Commenting upon the C. L. U. degree, Professor Barger said, "There is as much difference between the holder of a C. L. U. degree and the ordinary insurance peddler as there is between a certified Public Accountant and a bookkeeper."

"The majority of people know little or nothing about insurance and must rely upon the judgement

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Committee Closes Work On Program For Commencement

Graduating Class Will Be Of Men Who Were Members Of Largest Freshman Class In History.

With the completion of the commencement week program, Dr. E. P. Humbert, chairman of a committee composed of Dr. S. R. Gammon, Professor Daniel Russell, and Cadet A. C. Moser, Jr., announces the following order for the week's activities:

Sunday, May 29
8:30—Parade honoring "T" men and the awarding of "T" medals and Intramural medals. Also the awarding of the Military Ribbon to the members of the College Rifle and Pistol teams.

10:30 a. m.—Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. Lewis J. Sherrill, Dean of the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

4:30 p. m.—Outdoor concert, A and M Band.
9:00 p. m.—Junior Prom.

Friday, June 3
1-4 p. m.—All departments open for inspection.

1:30 p. m.—Livestock show, conducted by Senior Animal Husbandry students in the Animal Husbandry Pavilion.
4:00 p. m.—Competitive Drill of Ross Volunteers followed by an exhibition drill.

5:00 p. m.—Formal Presentation of Reserve Commissions by W. W. Sterling, Adjutant-General of the State of Texas.

10:00 p. m.—Final Ball.
Saturday, June 4

9:00 a. m.—Commencement Processional.

9:15 a. m.—Commencement Exercises. Address by Dr. Edgar Odell Lovett, president of Rice Institute. Valedictory by Cadet Major M. L. Benke. Conferring of Degrees by Honorable F. M. Law, President Board of Directors of the College.

12:30 p. m.—Graduating Review. In the graduating class this term there are 351 candidates for degrees. This class represents the largest freshman class in the history of the college.

Of these there are 228 candidates for Bachelor of Science degrees, seventeen candidates for Bachelor of Arts degrees, and approximately twenty-three candidates for Master degrees.

In the school of Engineering there are 192 candidates, in the school of Agriculture, 102 candidates, in the school of Arts and Sciences, thirty-two, and in the school of education, fourteen.

Home Run Wins For Fish From Allen Academy

A heavily clouted ball over the left field fence in the first inning by Bob Connally proved to be the winning run when the freshmen defeated the Allen Academy Ramblers on Kyle Field Monday afternoon 3 to 2. The freshmen showed much improvement over their games with Blinn College last Friday and Saturday.

Jake Mooty again had an easy time on the mound, striking out eleven men. Three strikes were called on the first man to the plate before a single ball was pitched. A slight miscue in the seventh allowed the Allen cadets to bring in their two runs.

So far the freshmen have three wins over Yoe high of Cameron and one over Allen, but have lost and tied the Blinn College team.