

IDLE RUMORS

Reading like the scenario to a movie comedy, Jack Tarver's adventures as substitute major of the cavalry squadron, merit him the leather medal. Last Friday Jack took Hudgin's place at retreat formation and ever-so-masterfully assumed command of the squadron. ordinarily it is high impossible to hear the bugle at Far-Away Corners (Walton Hall, to you boys on the campus) and this time Tarver assumed that it had already blown "Fall in" and was starting "Retreat." And so he called the squadron to attention and ordered "Parade Rest." Waiting what he thought was the proper time, he then called the squadron to attention for the "Salute to the Colors." As the first note of the bugle rang out Tarver snapped to attention and saluted. Anticlimax—the bugle was playing "Fall In." Personal appraisements of the situation have it that Tarver did this intentionally so that he could get twice the pleasure out of his special office.

And along the same line of military expectancy comes the tale of H. M. Howdeshell, "A" Battery senior and military expert. Know-

ing that the time was drawing near for his day as Officer of the Guard, one bright morning "Howdy" donned his full No. 1 uniform, put on his saber, and marched proudly over to the Guard Room. And was he disappointed when he found out that he was twenty-four hours early. Boy Howdy, this is howt-es-hell.

George Brundrett, since purchasing for himself a pair of cowboy boots, has been mentally rehearsing all the stunts he has seen performed by the hairy-chested vaqueros and in special, this stunt of mounting horses via the rear, leaping into the saddle. Yesterday at drill with the mounted battery, George had what he thought was the long awaited opportunity. To George's discomfiture it seems that the mean old army plug had other ideas about that, for when George tried to leap over his tail into the saddle, the horse let fly with both hind legs. Luckily this was not seriously injurious to George. But the old Brundrett determination makes small allowances for failure and so George made several more unsuccessful attempts. Finally giving the job up as hopeless he mounted the horse according to regulations. All of this horse (?) play seemed to have put the horse in a playful mood for no sooner was Brundrett mounted when he found himself on the ground again, the equine giving Brundrett full membership in Idle Rumor's hall of fame—The Prince of Wales club. Listening to George's groans this morning it seems that he is the Prince of Walls.

All hail a great athlete. E. W. "Hook" Hooker, secretary of the athletic department, was over-desirous of showing his athletic inclinations at the "T" Club dance several weeks ago and the effect was disastrous. This spry swain set a dizzy pace on the dance floor with some young damsel and, as a consequence, was so sore the next morning that all his efforts were confined to motions of the hands. Hook can he blame but himself?

Jew and Scotchman playing golf—Jew had an epileptic stroke and Scotchman insisted on counting it.

Valuable Books Are Donated To College Library

Assortment of Rare Volumes Is Collection of Late Frederick William Hensel.

A collection of approximately 700 rare and valuable books which comprised the private library of the late Frederick William Hensel of San Antonio, father of professor F. W. Hensel of the Landscape Art department of A and M College, will be on display in the distributing room of the library beginning Thursday, March 23, according to T. F. Mayo, college librarian. The volumes will be available for distribution but may be checked out for only one week. Presentation of the books to the library was made about a year ago but the necessary cataloguing procedures have only recently been completed and it is the desire of the library staff to give the students of the college an opportunity to examine a typical cultural library in its entirety before the books are placed on the shelves according to their subject matter, Mr. Mayo stated.

Subjects covered by the books are mainly psychology, socialism and economic problems, poetry, and fiction. The gift was kept up to date by the original owner and includes many valuable sets of german classics; a set of Meyer's Lexicon which corresponds to the English Encyclopaedia Britannica and is composed of ten volumes valued at several hundred dollars; and modern fiction by H. G. Wells, Sinclair Lewis, Aldous Huxley, Sherwood Anderson, Oscar Wilde, and other modern writers. The Lexicon is profusely illustrated and the additional volumes are to be added to the set by F. W. Hensel as they are published.

Frederick William Hensel was born in eastern Prussia and moved to Berlin when a child where his father was miniature painter to the Imperial German Court. Mr. Hensel fought in the Franco-Prussian War and was wounded during the combat. In the early eighties he came to Texas as a young man to do some of the decorating on the Texas State capitol building but through the persuasion of friends he went to San Antonio where he found conditions to his liking so he settled there. From 1882 until his death in 1929 he was engaged in the contracting business in that city. Mr. Hensel was the first park commissioner of San Antonio and served in that capacity for several years, a job that offered no financial remuneration. He was active in musical circles and was reputed to be an accomplished musician and singer. He spoke and read French, German, and English fluently and was a great lover of books as attested by the broad and extensive library he had built up. Two of Mr. Hensel's sons are employed by A and M College at the present time. F. W. Hensel is head of the Landscape Art department and R. A. Hensel, is connected with college architect's office.

SWIMMING POOL—

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Sunday. Future provisions are to be made for night sessions for both students and faculty members.

A point of especial interest is that contrary to current rumors, no admission fees will be charged the students for the remainder of the present term.

Robert Russi, Company "F" Infantry, has secured the concession on the bathing straps and caps and those who are contemplating making use of the pool can purchase the necessary equipment from him.

COLLEGE ATHLETES NEEDED

One of the greatest needs of organized baseball, according to Joe Carr, newly appointed promotional director of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, is more college athletes.

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SHORT COURSE IN HORTICULTURE TO BE OFFERED SOON

Fruits, Vegetables and Pecans To Be Subjects Covered By Program.

A short course in fruits, vegetables, and pecans will be sponsored by the college horticulture department March 29, 30, and 31 according to Professor Guy W. Adraince of that department. The program of instruction will emphasize the importance of these crops in relation to live-at-home programs. Professor Adraince said.

Fruits will be the topic of discussion the first day, pecans the second day, and vegetables the third day. Talks and discussions will fill up the mornings' work, while the afternoons will be devoted mainly to inspection tours and field work.

Invitations and programs have been mailed to all the county agents and agricultural workers throughout the State, and anyone interested is eligible to attend according to Professor Adraince. All students of the college are especially invited.

AGGIE RIFLEMEN—

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eral's regret that he could not personally present the medals to the individuals. He also conveyed his appreciation to the team for their efforts in winning the first place.

Members of the rifle team that will receive the championship medals are: G. R. Rhine, T. J. Guerdum, G. H. Samuels, Roy Huffaker, J. A. McDavitt, all of San Antonio; Jack Harding, J. A. Franz, both of Dallas, C. J. Anderson, Law; W. S. Sinclair, Galveston; and O. A. Seward, Amarillo.

Livestock Team Wins 2nd Place At Stock Show

Aggie Stock Judgers Win Prizes Totalling More Than One Hundred Dollars.

Placing second in the livestock judging contest held Saturday, March 11, in conjunction with the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Ft. Worth, the A and M Livestock Judging Team won cash prizes totalling more than one hundred dollars, and was only 22 points out of a possible 5000 behind the Oklahoma A and M College Team that won first place in the contest.

E. H. Bobbitt, Hillsboro, and E. J. Hughes, Dublin, were the high and second high individuals on the Texas A and M team. For the en-

tire contest, Fred Gremmel, A and M judger from Pettus, won first place in the horse and mule-judging division, and tied Hughes for third place in the hog division.

Other students on the team making the trip with Coach R. M. Millhollin were: A. B. Kyle, Whitney; R. T. Alexander, Canadian; and S. T. Logan, Sonora, alternate.

AGGIE DEBATERS—

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ture room of the Physics Building. These two men will go to Dallas Thursday for a debate with S. M. U., and a team composed of G. E. Wise, Palestine, and H. N. Irvine, Ft. Worth, will go to Huntsville Friday for another engagement with Sam Houston State Teacher's College debaters.

College Ping-Pong Laurels Taken By Troop "D" Cavalry

Troop "D" Cavalry won the college ping-pong championship last week by defeating the Band by a score of 2-1. Members of the winning team were: E. Levy, R. D. Spiker, and A. M. Emery.

Ping-pong was introduced in the college last year by the Y. M. C. A. as a form of entertainment and pastime but interest in this sport grew so rapidly that the intramural department purchased tables and made it a regular intramural event, offering medals to the winning teams.

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