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Little Possibility of Beer Being MERKA CHOSE Sold On A & M Campus If Texas HEAD OF '34 Should Repeal Probibition Law AGGIE

Students Will Have To Go To Bryan Or Wellborn To Get Beverage.

With the official sanction of the congress of the United States already placed on 3.2% beer, many of the states in the union are preparing to welcome back to their cities the old fashioned beer garden and possibly the saloon. Just how many states will be "wet" is still a matter of conjecture but it is hardly possible that the people Addition To Athletic Plant Is. of the state of Texas will let down. the barriers and permit the open flow of beer. Texas was a "dry" state before the national prohibition amendment was added to the constitution and it will probably be a "dry" state when that amendment is repealed.

a point of access to the students but these were corrected last week of any state-owned institution re- and the students were admitted to gardless of what action the citizen- the pool Monday. ry of the state might take on the At the present time, only stumatter. If the people of the state dents are being admitted to the should ever vote contrary to their new tank as there still remains past convictions and legalize beer many details to be worked out re-in Texas there would still be a garding swimming time. A system law to fall back on in the segre- of forty-five minute periods is be-

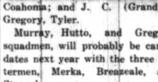
Under this law, it is a criminal When it is felt that conditions will offense to sell intoxicating bev- permit, a schedule will be worked erage of any kind within a radius of five miles of a state owned in-stitution. It is hardly possible that Texas will ever go so far as to Announcement of the swimming repeal that law and place beer in hours for the residents of the camthe laps of their college men and pus will be made sometime in the women. But if they should, the is- future. sue would not be at an end, for the president of the college and the board of directors would have the Preparations For power to enact a regulation that would be a prototype of this law Engineers' Ball as far as A-and M College is concerned. And it is within reason to expect such a regulation to be forthcoming should circumstances warrant it.

Any angle the situation is viewd from, gives the same picture of Program Will Include A Nov- AGGIE DEBATERS

Being Used By Cadets Af-ter Lengthy Delay.

After many weeks of waiting and wondering on the part of the students, the new swimming pool that was recently added to the Much comment has been heard athletic plant of the college was regarding the influence that beer opened Monday and many swimwould have upon the student body mers took advantage of the oc-of A and M if its sale was per- casion to take their first plunge mitted on the campus. It is not in of the year. The pool has been the least possible that intoxicants completed for some time with the tion, and the "flu" kept him from of any kind will ever be placed at exception of a few minor details playing his best during the past

gation of that beverage and edu-cation. ing used with one group leaving (Bull) Marcum, Estelline; J. E. the pool before the next enters it. (Jocko) Roberts, Terrell; Earl



Near Completion the South pionship

OUIN Elongated Center From Bryan Is Elected Captain of 1934 Basketball Team.

Joe Merka, Aggie two-year leterman from Bryan, was elected captain of the Texas Aggie basketball team for the 1933-34 season at meeting of his fellow-lettermen supper given by the varsity basketball coach John B. Reid in the Me- o'clock. morial Gymnasium, where many of

the toughest cage games of the past season were played. the next year from Bryan, Charlie

Cummings having been elected to lead the Cadet 1933 football team. As captain of the Bryan High eral years ago. Though injuries, lack of condi-

tion, and the "flu" kept him from season. Merka was rated second best center in the conference for the second consecutive year. In

addition to winning honors on the basketball court, he also lettered in track last year.

Merka's fellow-lettermen for the past season are: Captain Joe Moody, Corpus Christi; Clarence (Jocko) Roberts, Terrell; Earl Horn, Dallas, Griffin Breazeale, Crockett; and Ellis (Frenchy) Stansel, Guerday, Louisiana. Other members of the varsity squad include Ray Murray, Mercedes; Earl Sheppard, Port Arthur; Bob Connelly, Fort Worth; Tommie Hutto, Coahoma; and J. C. (Grandpa)

Murray, Hutto, and Gregory squadmen, will probably be candidates next year with the three lettermen, Merka, Breazeale, and Stansel.

Last season's third place was the best record made by the Aggie five since 1923, when they last won the Southwest Conference cham-

Farmer Nine To Meet 1932 Texas League Champions Friday and Saturday.

Two Game Series

With Beaumont

The undefeated Texas Aggies oushing onward at a faster and faster pace as the weather gets warmer, will entertain the Beaumont Exporters, 1933 Texas League champions, Friday and Saturday afternoons in a two-game selast Wednesday night. The elec- ries on the Kyle Field diamond. tion was followed by an ice cream Friday's game will start at 4:00 o'clock and Saturday's at 3:00

The tilts will be in the nature of a return visit, as the Aggies split a two-game series with the Merka is the second captain for Exporters at Beaumost the past season.

The Exporters, according to re ports emanating from their training camp, have high hopes of go-School football team, Cummings ing places in the coming Texas won all-state honors at tackle sev- League race despite the fact that several of their stars of the 1932 season have packed their kit bags and graduated to the majors. A-

mong these were "Hank" Greenberg, lanky first baseman; "Schoolboy" Rowe, one of the best hurl-

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Music Committee Is Negotiat- tor of the 1938-34 Texas Aggie he worked. Mooty relieved Shaw ing With Ligon Smith To Countryman, quarterly publication and gave up two hits and struck play for Annual Dances. Of the School of Agriculture. Tosch out seven in the last four and one-

as editor. V. G. Young, Refu- and Steves saw service behind the Final arrangements for an orchestra to play for the R. V. dan- gio, who was elected business man- plate. The Philco team is made up ces, April 20-22, are nearing com- ager of the publication, assumes of former southwest conference pletion, according to W. P. Mache- the position held this year by P. players and promises to develop mehl, Bellville, chairman of the A. Sharp, Merningsport, Louisi- into a strong amateur club. music committee. A contract to ana.

by the end of this week.

der way, according to L. W

Storms, king of this year's court.

Mrs. Hooker of Waco is design-

On Invitations

Committee Head States.

R. E. O'Connell of Waco, chair-

mittee composed of L. W. Storms,

San Antonio, H. Durst III, Crock-

Says O'Connell

play for the festivities has been Any agricultural student inter- previous week, in which the Cadets sent to Ligon Smith, now playing ested in representing his depart-at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth, ment should see Tosch immedia-batters were not so mighty in and it is expected that the final tely.



Duce's Bright Son

Aggies To Play Complete Court For Cotton

Mussolini of Italy, who at fourteen, is the editor of the paper at the school he attends. He is also said to have written the script for a motion picture soon to be produced.

To Edit 1933-34

Aggie Countryman

. G. Young To Succeed Percy

ager.

Tosch Is Chosen

2nd Annual Cotton Affair To Be Held In Mess Hall Annex On Evening of April 7th Two Games Won

Ball And Pageant Announced

To Farmers' Win Column.

On Saturday, March 25, the

score of 3-0 on Kyle Field. Shaw

started on the mound for the Ag-

In contrast to the game of the

Duchesses Have Been Chosen To Represent A Number of Texas' Cities.

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By Aggie Nine Beautiful young women clad in gowns depicting the various appli-Beautiful young women clad in cations of their native state's major Last Week-End crop will be presented at the court of the second annual Cotton Ball and Pageant which will be reigned over by Miss Phyllis Matlock, Frost, President of the Students' Victories Over Navasota and Association of the Texas College **Houston Teams Are Added** For Women (CIA), as Queen Cotton, and Allen E. Bryant, Corsicana, President of the Agronomy Coach Roswell Higginbotham's Society, as King Cotton. The Ball Aggie nine continued to add to its and Pageant will be held in the win column by taking pre-season mess hall annex the evening of games from the Navasota All- April 7, under the direction of Mrs. John P. Wheeler, social Stars and the Philco team of Houschairman for the event. Misses ton last week. The Aggies jour-Lille Mae Walton and Caroline neyed to Navasota on Thursday, Carpenter have been selected as March 23, and defeated the home Maids of Honor to the Queen and town boys by a score of 5-1. Moon will be escorted by Edwin Bartel, and Shear divided the pitching du-Comfort, and Henry Graves, Corties in this game with Captain sicana. Garvey handling the catching as-

The Duchesses and the Texas cities which they have been chosen to represent are listed with their escorts as follows: Miss Anita Cox as "Miss Houston", and F. W. Brendle, Denver, Colorado; Miss C. A. Tosch, Mesquite, of Com-pany H Infantry. was elected edi-hit in the four and one-half innings Mary Marguerite Brosseau as Miss Sair Autonio", and E. W. Colglazier, of that city; Miss Nancy Nell Dikeman as "Miss Temple", and R. P. Marshall, Heidenheimer; Miss Patience Chance as "Miss Bryan", and E. O. Wurzbach, San Antonio; Miss Susanna Moehr as "Miss Austin"; and E. J. Willson, Sherman; Miss Dorothy Hedges as "Miss College Station", and R. J. Gwin, Oenaville.

Duchesses from Dallas, Fort Worth, and Waco have not yet been announced.

events that the legalizing of beer in Texas would paint. Students of A and M will have to journey at least as far as Bryan or Wellborn to secure legal beer and possibly that limit will be extended to out of the state of Texas.

AGGIE THINL CLADS TO MEET TEXAS SATURDA

Track Meet Between Farmers and Longhorns To Precede Aggie-Beaumont Ball Game.

Aggie track and field fans will have their first real sight of their maroon and white team in action Saturday afternoon down at Kyle Field when Coach Frank Anderson sends his proteges against the University of Texas Longhorns in the first dual meet of the season. The series of sixteen track and field events will get under way at 1:30 o'clock and will end before the Aggie-Beaumont diamond tilt begins.

Although the Aggies' bright hopes of a championship track banquet. Milner Hall will be vayear have been dimmed somewhat cated from Friday afternoon until through ineligibility and injuries, the Cadets still are rated as having one of the three best teams in the Southwest Conference. The others are the Longhorns and the Rice Owls. Ed Wicker and W. B. Hooser, star dash men of the freshmen the past year, are the gress and to have the new presiprincipal ineligible and injured men respectively.

The Longhorns are "doped" to

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elty Floor Show Presented By Vaudeville Teams.

Plans are complete and preparations for the annual Engineer's Ball to be held Friday night, March 31, in the Memorial Gymnasium from 9 'till 2 are nearing completion, according to J. R. Gill, Paris, chairman of the dance committee. The program for the evening will include a novelty floor show presented by two vaudeville teams from Houston. The dance is to be played by the Campus Sere-naders and a celorful decorating scheme is to be carried out. ^a According to the present plans, the Gymnasium floor will be en-Jr., and Dudley Loop, representaclosed by a large modernistic En- tives of the Forensic Society at gineer Castle situated behind the Centenary College, Tuesday evenorchestra; moss around the edges ing, March 21, in the lecture room

loons. Decorations also include I. G. Adams presided as chaircolored flood lights that will be man. directed on the dance floor.

tain later at the dance. Thursday evening.

The largest number of visitors to ever attend one of the Engineer's Civil Engineers Will Dances is expected, as 110 couples are already registered for the

Sunday noon in order to take care of the visiting ladies.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Having won his ten-year fight to abolish the lame duck in Condent take office early in January after his election, Senator George W. Norris of Nebraska is now

renewing his efforts to have the electoral college abolished.

WIN IN CONTEST WITH CENTENARY

Double Victory Is Also Won ing and making the costumes to From Two Southern Meth- be worn by the queen and duch esses of the court, and it is exodist University Teams.

pected that the girls will collect in Upholding the negative side of Waco soon for a fitting. The work the current Pi Kappa Delta debate on the decorations will begin the question, Resolved: That the Unit- latter part of this week, according ed States should agree to the can- to O. H. Smith, San Antonio, chaircellation of the Inter-Allied gov-man of the decorations committee. ernmental war debts, J. W. Wells. With spring recess only three San Antonio, and D. L. Tisinger, weeks off extensive drilling is be-Garland, defeated R. P. Bennett, ing carried on.

Work Proceeding of the floor and a ceiling of bal- of the Physics Building. Professor Debating the same question,

Preceeding the dance, a banquet Wells and Tisinger also defeated will be given for the Engineers two members of the Southern Me-with dates at 6:30 in the banquet thodist University Debate Club room of the Mess Hall. The Cam- last Thursday evening at Dallas, pus Serenaders are to play for the while I. A. Handler, Galveston, and banquet and the program will in- R. B. Jenkins, De Leon, were givclude songs by the torch singer en a 2 to 1 decision over another vaudeville team that is to enter- team from S. M. U. here last

> **Go On Inspection Trip** To Dallas April 17-18

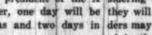
At a recent meeting of the sen- senior invitations. ior members of the A and M Chap-Any senior who will graduate in

ter of the American Society of June but who has not applied for Civil Enginers, the annual in- a degree is requested to see O'-

spection trip was scheduled for the Connell before Saturday if he wishweek of the Spring Holidays, April es to have his name on the invita-17 to 19, and will be held in Dallas tions. As orders are to be taken ion quoted G. V. Holmes, Gonzales, the second team.

and Fort Worth.

Fort Worth.



ed in the Daily Bulletin.

these games but a sufficient i The new staff will edit the next ber of hits was garnered by the negotiations will have been reached issue of the magazine which will Cadets to win behind the excellent be distributed on April 15. Court preparations are well un-

early season pitching of the mound corps. AGGIELAND AND SERENADERS TO

signment.

Sharp As Business Man- Philco team was defeated by a

will succeed E. C. Buie, Grandview, half inpings of the game. Garvey

Marksmen For PLAY WAR DANCE Hearst Trophy Winner of War Dance Will Match Selected Play for Last Corps Dance of Year On May 6th.

Arrangements have been made to have the Aggieland Orchestra ing To Rifle Coach. and the Campus Serenaders, both local organizations, play for the

corps dance to be held in the Mess Hall Annex on Saturday, April 8, one of the three places in the according to Don Elliott, social Hearst Trophy Competition, the secretary of the Senior Class. The Texas A and M Rifle Team began dance will be in the form of a war-dance and the hours will be from Trophy Match and will continue until Tuesday, April 4, at which

Much discussion has been heard time they will have completed the

Hearst Match, O. A. Seward, Gal-

veston; C. A. Tosch, Mesquite; and

Kenneth Tucker of Burkburnett,

will fill the second, third, and

fourth positions, respectively on

regarding the merits of the two firing for this match: orchestra, and an opportunity is According to First Lieutenant All Copy Ready Except Com- to be afforded them to prove or J. E. Reierson, Coach of the A and mencement Day Program, disprove the opinions of the stu- M Rifle Team, the members of the dents. Printed ballots will be dis-tributed among the dancers, who will vote for the orchestra they G. R. Rhine, all of San Antonio;

man of the senior invitation com- prefer and turn in the ballots on and W. S. Sinclair, Galveston. With their way out at the close of the two positions on the second team dance. The organization receiving still left to be filled by the reett, and R. H. McLemore; Dallas, the largest number of votes will suits of todays firing between Jack announced today that except for be declared the most popular with Harding, Dallas, and C. J. Anthe commencement day program, the students of the college and will derson, Lawn, for first place on all copy has been gathered for the be engaged to play for the last the second team, the teams will be

corps dance of the year on May 6, complete for all positions in the Elliot said.

CORRECTION

Last week's issue of the Battal-

within the next few weeks, O'- as participating in the dairy judg-Following the Hearst Trophy According to E. J. "Pop" Will- Connell advises that seniors be con- ing at the Fat Stock Show and Ex- competition, the A and M Rifle son, Sherman, president of the A sidering the number of invitations position held in Fort Worth. Team will begin firing for the Naand M Chapter, one day will be they will want. The date which or Holmes, due to a death in his fam- tional Intercollegiate Championspent in Dallas and two days in ders may be given will be announc- ily, was unable to compete in the ship. The team entered in this dairy judging.

meet will consist of fifteen men.

The complete list of the Ladie of the Court and their escorts is as follows: Miss Mary McClellan,

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Y.M.C.A. Offers Passes To See "Mr. **Robinson Crusoe**"

For the ten best lists of tools or mechanical devices that one would want if marooned on an uninhabited island, the Y.M.C.A. will give passes to the show, Douglas Fair-Aggies Have Good Chance of banks in "Mr. Robinson Crusse," Placing In Contest Accord- Saturday night at the Assembly Hall.

These lists must be left at the With expectations of winning Battalion office not later than Friday noon. The Battalion staff will act as judges of the contest.

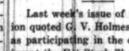
> A & M Entries Win Many Prizes At Stock Show

Livestock Wins More Than One Thousand In Cash and Large Number of Trophies.

Placing in every division of the contest in which they were shown, the A and M livestock entries won more than a thousand dollars in cash in addition to a large number of trophies at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Houston recently, and placed in twenty-six of the twenty-eight classes in which they were shown in the Fort Worth contest.

Included in the winnings at the Fort Worth show were first place in both car-lot division, and the grand champion carload of hogs.

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9 until 12.