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## Swimming Pool

Very few students seemed to have given the swimming tickets on sale during registration any thought when asked to pay one dollar for the privilege of using the pool every day that it remains open this term.

The swimming pool which represents an initial investment of close to seventy-five thousand dollars and is one of the finest to be found in the entire south, was installed for the benefit and use of the student body, but because of the cost of the pool and equipment it was necessary to place a small charge on the students who used it as there was no other means of taking care of the running expense.

The athletic department plans to keep the pool open every day of the school year for the use of the students between the hours of three and six in the afternoon with the exception of the days on which there will be varsity games. This represents a total of over one hundred days. Therefore the cost of each swim, if the student who holds the card takes advantage of each opportunity to go swimming, will cost less than a penny for a swim. At such a rate as this every student should buy the swimming ticket as soon as possible to derive the full benefit of its use and at the same time help to defray the expense of running the pool.

An estimated cost of running the pool for the first term is as follows: gas for heating the water—\$2,000.00; electricity—\$400.00; chemicals—\$75.00; student labor—\$300.00. Total \$2,775.00.

With the subscription of each of A and M's two thousand students and the campus people, it would be possible to meet this expense for the entire term.

It is the sincere hope of the college athletic council and the senior class that each member of the student body subscribe to help the pool open all the term by buying the swimming ticket as soon as possible.

## Three Dollars

Students who have flayed the officials of the college because of the charge of three dollars put on the uniform issued by the government to the basic students of the military science course should have investigated the rumors before they passed them on. It seems that the natural tendency is to pick up anything that may discredit the earnest work of the college officials in trying to make the expenses of the student at A and M as cheap as possible.

This is seen in the rumors that have been spreading the last few days, and because of them an itemized list of what the three dollars covers will be published.

A contract was let to the Campus Cleaners for the alterations of all of the uniforms when necessary, sewing on of the three R. O. T. C. patches, one Aggie patch, and the blue star for one dollar and fifty cents per uniform. This itemized at the price that have been paid in the past for the same work would probably average around two dollars and ten cents per uniform.

Another contract was let to the Exchange Store for the handling, sizing and distribution of the uniform. This called for the handling of a stock of over \$15,000, and also the responsibility for the care of the uniforms as each uniform had to be accounted for and a record kept for each uniform issued. This necessitated the carrying of insurance against fire and theft. The Exchange Store also took the responsibility of ordering the correct sizes of the uniform.

This responsibility also made necessary the hiring of another man to look after the uniforms throughout the year. This required something around \$1200 for his salary. The equipment for handling, such as shelving and insurance was estimated at \$400. A protection against the loss made the students who lose their uniform and are unable to pay for them was estimated to be close to \$600 per year.

A total of this estimate will reveal that there doesn't leave a large enough profit in the handling of the uniform to take the responsibility that the issuer of the uniform automatically does.

The officials of the college hope that this humor has been discredited, because their goal has been to reduce the expenses of the student at A and M in order that those who are financially unable may attend this college.

## Student Assemblies

As human bodies are constructed to withstand only a certain amount of punishment, college officials should keep the saturation point in mind when choosing speakers for our Assemblies. Fortunately, Aggies are physically hardened and can "take" an occasional hour of misery without receiving noticeable ill effects. The student body, however, should revolt against pseudo-Websters that are chosen because of their political pull or because they are prospective fairy godmothers. Disgusting as were some of the "inspirational" delivered last year, we were criticised because of our lack of respect and appreciation for the "speakers" who, in fifth grade English, shook the rostrum blaring out stale jokes, wheezing through the Battle of the Alamo, choking themselves (and us) with a barrage of statistics that would make Einstein pull out his hair, and winding up by inviting us over for dinner the next time we're in their neck of the woods.

Assemblies, if they're important enough to be held, are important enough to merit speakers that are sufficiently capable of interesting those willing to stay awake and listen. Inasmuch as classes are held six days a week at A and M, we suggest that Assemblies be entertaining as well as educational.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Social Activities of Junior Class—'34

### JUNIOR BANQUET

DEBITS:		CREDITS:	
Favors And Programs	303.00	Collected prior to banquet	179.00
Decorations (Light Fixtures)	5.00	Collected at door	18.00
Flowers (table)	4.10		
Doorman (Sanders)	2.00	Total Collection	\$197.00
Orchestra (Serenaders)	10.00		
	\$324.10	LOSS ON BANQUET	\$127.00

### JUNIOR PROM

DEBITS:		CREDITS:	
Orchestra (Aggieland)	60.00	Donation by Class '33	75.00
Programs and nace tickets	122.00	Collection at door	162.00
Decorations	32.50		
Mess Hall (Moving tables)	50.00	Total Collection	\$237.00
Doormen (Sanders & Roberts)	5.00		
Helpers (Reid, Anderson, Tipton)	4.50		
Microphone Arrangement (Lee)	5.00		
	\$279.50	LOSS ON PROM	\$42.50

### FINAL BALL

DEBITS:		CREDITS:	
Orchestra (Aggieland)	90.00	Key Deposits	430.00
(Serenaders)	90.00	Collection at door	709.00
Doormen (Sanders & Roberts)	5.50		
Helpers (Reid, Anderson, Tipton)	4.50	Total Collection	\$1139.00
Floor-wax	4.80		
Mess Hall (Moving Tables)	50.00		
Advertising	30.25		
Microphone Arrangement (Lee)	5.00		
Decorations	32.50		
Commandants Office (Gifts)	6.75		
	\$319.30	GAIN ON FINAL BALL	\$819.70

### RECAPITULATION

Gain on Final Ball		\$819.70
Loss on Banquet	\$127.10	
Loss on Prom	42.50	169.60
NET GAIN		\$650.10

L. O. ZAPP, Sect'y.-Treas.  
Junior Class '34

## Activities Fee Again

With prospects for championship honors in practically every sport and the added incentive of a reduced price, there is hardly an acceptable reason for every man in the corps not paying his student activities fee. If he is so hard pressed financially that he cannot afford the entitling him to admission to all athletic contests plus subscriptions to the student publications, The Battalion and The Longhorn, he certainly should make every effort to buy an athletic coupon book.

The appalling fact about the situation as it now stands is that the upperclassmen have been more delinquent in this important matter than have been the freshmen. Being at least credited with minds somewhat trained to appreciate values, economic and otherwise, it seems that a large number of the corps are lacking the well known Aggie Spirit.

Let's make every effort to get an athletic book before the next football game. Our family and relatives would certainly see to it that we had the money some way or other if they just knew what it means to all of us.

## Churches

A. and M. Methodist Church  
Robert L. Jackson  
Sermon topic Sunday at 11 a. m. "What is Truth?"  
Subject at 7:45 p. m. "Ways of Being Happy".  
Selections by Orchestra directed by R. G. Dunn.  
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Students are invited to join the large chorus choir. Short snappy sermons. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Epworth League at 6:45 p. m. A League for every class, every class a live sponsor, every individual a welcome. The church is near the North Gate. Service rain or shine.

A large crowd was present for S. S. and church Sunday morning and a much larger group for the Training Service and the preaching service Sunday evening.

Col. J. E. Mitchell spoke at the assembly of the B.T.S. Sunday evening. The students and local people greatly enjoyed his helpful and interesting message. The special music for the day included a male quartet, a vocal solo and an instrumental duet.

Twenty-three students joined the church during the day.

### St. Mary's Chapel

Services consisting of mass and sermon every Sunday Morning at 9:45. Evening services at 6:45.

### Baptist Lead at A. & M.

R. L. Brown, Pastor  
For the first time in at least fourteen years the Baptist Church leads in the number of students enrolled in A. & M. There were 505 enrolled up to Saturday night, Sept. 23.

### THE PASSING REVIEW—

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team looked like some championship material last Saturday and nothing was turned loose either—support your team by going to all the games—get in the spirit of the game and be a loyal Aggie.

BEER. "Rosebud" Lillienstern, another of the "H" company lads, failed to get a mug of three point two in Bryan the other night when a pert young waitress told him she wasn't allowed to serve minors—bring your birth certificate next time "Rosebud".

MAYO. Thomas F. Mayo, Librarian and graduate of Oxford, is offering a non-credit course in

## LATE BULLETINS!

By College News Service

Arthur E. Morgan, head of the Tennessee Valley Authority, is a brain trustee whom no one can accuse of not being practical. Although he never went to college himself, he became president of Antioch College in 1922, and is now famous for his practical system of education whereby students divide their time between class-work and regular jobs.

reading this year that should prove very beneficial to the student body—will discuss each book individually with the reader and try to find out exactly what reading matter the individual will find the most interesting—recommend that you talk with Mr. Mayo as soon as possible.

ENTERTAINMENT. The "Y" is offering a splendid group of entertainers to the student body next Monday night when they present Jimmie Jefferies of "Early Bird" tainers in the Assembly Hall—included in the group are such favorites at Ligon Smith and his band, Fred Lowery, Lois Nixon (attention, Dallas students), the Lane Sisters, Normi Norman, and Arthur Barton—looks like a treat.

CHECKS. Reasons for the failure of the Fiscal department to extend checking accounts were revealed this week when it was made known that two members of the department was cut off when economy ax was wielded—this crippled

ed the force so badly that it was impossible for them to continue as they had in previous years—too many twenty-five, fifty, and seventy-five cent checks—the department handled as many checks as any bank in Bryan last year although they were of such small amounts—sorry, but you'll have to take your checking accounts to Bryan.

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