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School Song Copyright In Hands Of Publisher

Cadet Corps Sing Plans Being Made

Precedent in Pre-Holiday Activities Will be Established

A precedent in the way Aggies greet the Christmas season will be set this year, it was learned today with the announcement that a Cadet Corps Community Sing will be held Sunday afternoon at 4:30 in Guion Hall.

A student-faculty group Monday worked out temporary plans for the program, with final plans due for completion today.

Plans for the sing call for an All-Christmas program, with most of the singing done by the Cadet Corps itself. Special numbers will be given by the Glee Club, the Aggie Band, and an organist, and the cadet colonel and senior president will both make short speeches.

The program will last around an hour. Songs to be used will be printed by the A. & M. Press, it was stated.

The group meeting to discuss the program was composed of Cadet Colonel David Thrift, Senior President Bob Adams, Social Secretary Bill Livingston, Battalion Editor R. L. Doss, Band Major B. T. Wehner and Jack Bibbs from the student body, and Y. M. C. A. Secretary M. L. Cashion, Glee Club Director J. J. Woolkett, Dr. E. P. Humbert, the Rev. Mr. Sweet and Mrs. T. W. Leland from the campus residents.

300 FISH EXPECT TO MAKE TRIP TO BELTON SCHOOL

Over 300 Aggie Fish are expected to leave here at 2:00 p. m. Saturday for Mary Hardin-Baylor College at Belton to attend a formal reception as guests of the freshman girl's class at the Belton school.

According to Terry Thrift, president of the freshman class at A. & M., the boys are supposed to be at the school for the beginning of the reception at 7:30 next Saturday afternoon. Fish Thrift received the invitation from the president of the freshman class at this all-girl school last Wednesday; he is expecting more definite information today for interested members of the freshman class.

The fish plan to travel in the project house trucks which carried many Aggies to Dallas for the corps trip. Part of the trucks will return to College Station Saturday and the rest of them will remain over until Sunday morning to bring back those who can't get away Saturday night. This reception is becoming an annual affair between the two colleges, and those who made the trip last year say that the fish are in for a good time with their hostesses.

Museum Enlarges Collections And Curator Publishes Book

Dr. O. M. Ball, curator of the College Museum, is completing for publication a book on his collection of fossil plants. The book is the second volume of a series entitled "A Contribution to the Paleobotany of Texas," by Dr. Ball, who published his first volume four years ago. This one is the result of about six years' work on the subject.

The volume, now in its final stages for publication, describes about 40 new species of fossil plants hitherto unknown to science, and many others new to the ancient flora of Texas.

The two volumes account for all the species of fossil plants in Tex-

THESE AGGIE GRIDSTERS HAVE BEEN OUTSTANDING



DICK TODD
Aggie Halfback



JOE BOYD
Aggie Tackle

Dick Todd, the "Crowell Cyclone," and Joe Boyd, above, have been the two Aggie gridsters receiving most notice by sports writers and pickers of mythical eleven. Todd, a senior, has been a sparkplug on the Aggie team since his freshman year. Boyd, who has one more year of eligibility, is expected to be the most widely-recognized Aggie player next year. Both players have been included in every important All-Southwest eleven.

SOPHOMORES TO ELECT CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

Sophomores of each organization are requested to meet some time this week and elect a representative for the Sophomore Council. Jack Bailey, president of the sophomore class, announced Monday.

By having this council of forty men class business can be discussed and decided with greater expediency than if a meeting of the entire class was called. The first assembly of this council will probably be held next week to discuss preliminary plans for the sophomore ball, which is to be given early in the spring.

Although Bailey has communicated steadily with Jean Stockey, president of the sophomore class of T.S.C.W., no official invitation has been extended to the A. & M. sophomores to attend the T.S.C.W. Sophomore Prom which is to be held next Saturday night. As a result plans to engage a special bus to Denton have been discarded and any boys who make the trip will do so solely on their own initiative.

G. W. Schlesselman, Professor of Agricultural Economics, was in Dallas Dec. 3 and 4 for the purpose of addressing members of the extension class in Agricultural Economics 423, given in connection with the Farm Security Administration.

More Than 1,000 A. & M. Students Ask For Dead Week In Battalion's Survey

Halbouty Addresses Large Club Meeting

Presenting one of the most interesting talks ever made to the Petroleum and Geology club, M. T. Halbouty of the Merit Oil Corporation, Houston, addressed more than 200 members of the club at the meeting held last Friday night in the Petroleum lecture room.

He discussed "types of present producing traps in the Gulf Coast and the future productive possibilities of deeper horizons and of stratigraphic traps." Halbouty remarked "that the education of any engineer does not cease with the ending of his college days but only begins." He pointed out that the engineers today are confronted with problems that must have the co-operation of engineers of various companies who have their ideas on the subject and only through this collaboration can the engineers solve the major problems with which they are confronted.

"We have meetings of the Houston Geologic Society in Houston where each member, a specialist in certain phases of geology can conduct study groups whereby we can develop a thorough knowledge of that phase. For an example, one man may discuss 'sedimentation,' another 'structural geology' and in this way we can help ourselves and our problems."

Halbouty used slides in his talk and showed different types of structural traps, producing zones, salt domes of the Gulf Coast, geophysical methods of discovering types of structure, and the new "sub-terrex" recently introduced.

E. L. WILLIAMS, HEAD OF the Department of Industrial Education, returned Sunday from St. Louis, where he attended the meeting of the American Vocational Association, November 29-December 3. Mr. Williams is a member of the American Vocational Association and the National Association of Industrial Teachers Trainers and took an active part in these meetings of the groups. While in St. Louis he visited the David Rankin and the Hadley Vocational Schools to observe their work.

PICTURES TO BE EXHIBITED AT COLLEGE LIBRARY

The Extension Service is exhibiting in Cushing Library from Dec. 2 through Dec. 16 a series of 64 large framed photographic mural pictures dealing with A. & M. as the home of the Extension Service and with the various phases of the work of the Service with Texas farms and ranches.

These murals have recently been exhibited at the State Fair in Dallas and at the meeting of the American Bankers Association, and will be shown at the International Poultry Congress at Cleveland, Ohio, next summer, as well as during the Farmers' Short Course at A. & M.

Many critics and observers of these pictures have declared the display the greatest collection of Texas farm and home pictures ever assembled.

Last week the collection was also temporarily exhibited in Guion Hall.

HORT DISPLAY ENDS TONIGHT

The annual Horticulture Show, sponsored by the senior Horticulture majors, will be in full swing tonight on the second floor of the Agriculture Building. These students arranged an excellent display of fresh fruits, dry fruits, canned fruit juices, and pecans. They are selling apple cider, fruit juice, nuts and fresh fruits to raise money for the horticulture seniors to take their annual inspection tour.

In the fresh fruit room there are 68 varieties of apples ranging from the giant Rhode Island Greenings to Winesaps less than a third the size of the former. They have a number of different types of oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, kumquats, lemons, and other types of Citrus fruits raised in the Texas Rio Grande Valley. Fruits range in size from the Ponderosa Lemon which weighs a pound and one half to the tiny kumquats which weigh less than an ounce.

BY THE SURVEY EDITOR

An all-time record on Battalion surveys was established this week as 1,087 ballots on the question of re-instituting Dead Week were sent to The Battalion office.

Of the votes, 1,068 were "I favor the re-instituting of Dead Week at A. & M. and I would like to take advantage of the week as an opportunity for study." Seven ballots were not marked and two students wrote that they would not use the week for study purposes. Not a single ballot opposed Dead Week.

Heretofore Battalion surveys have never brought more than 600 returns, indicating that the student body is highly interested in seeing Dead Week again at this school.

No action has been taken by the faculty as yet concerning re-instituting that feature of the college calendar. The next meeting of the faculty, according to Vice-President Bolton, will be held either just preceding or just following the Christmas holidays.

The Battalion survey was designed not so much to see whether students wanted Dead Week but to determine just how strong sentiment for it is among students. Battalion editors all expressed gratification over the results.

Jame Critz, managing editor of the Tuesday issue of The Battalion, said, "I think Dead Week is a good thing. It's been so long since we've had it here that a lot of students have forgotten about it, but it offers a good opportunity for getting a better understanding of a course."

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

Houston Club was held last night in order to make final preparations for the Christmas Dance. Club President Jack Craig announced that something special would be on the program and favors would be offered.

The dance will be held on Dec. 21 at the Houston Club. Johnny Sullivan and his orchestra will furnish the music.

Bids for the dance can be had by members from Jake Wilk. Each member of the club is to bring one guest.

Wilson Transfers Title To Allen Company; Band's Use Of Tune Restricted

Outstanding Ex To Be Honored At Banquet Thursday

Marvin Smith Honored As Successful Engineer At Testimonial Dinner

Following a plan which was inaugurated last year for the purpose of honoring successful ex-students of the college who have been outstanding in their chosen field, the college is tending to Marvin W. Smith of the class of 1915, a testimonial dinner at Sbis Hall at 7 p. m., Thursday.

Marvin Smith was born at Overton, Texas, October 8, 1893. After graduation from the Overton High School, he took up the study of electrical engineering at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, from which he graduated as valedictorian of his class in 1915. Immediately after his graduation he entered the employment of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company as student engineer and his association with that Company has been continuous. In 1927 he became section engineer of the power department and in 1930 division engineer. He occupied this position when he was appointed manager of engineering May 7, 1936. His work as a division engineer was supervising and directing the activities of engineers and draftsmen in the design of large alternating current generators from the standpoint of adequacy, cost, performance, and production. These generators probably ranged from 5,000 kilowatt to 165,000 kilowatt machines. In his present position he is in charge of

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Band Has Permission To Use Song at Games And Yell Practices

When A. & M. uses "Goodbye to Texas"—official name: "Aggie War Hymn"—at any time in the future, it will be only with the permission of Thornton W. Allen Music Publishing Company of New York, it was learned today.

The Band, said Colonel Richard Dunn, has been granted permission to use the song at football games and yell practices representing the college, but has been denied permission to use it in "public performances for profit."

It was pointed out that this means the new series of broadcasts for which the Band is negotiating will have to find the airways without the familiar strains of the school's number one song.

As Aggies who learned of the transfer of copyright from "Pinky" Wilson, ex-Aggie, to the present copyright holders, a wave of resentment swept over them.

The song has been in use at Aggie land since 1917 and has become the tune by which everyone recognizes A. & M.

First copyrighted in 1921 by J. M. Reynolds, the song's copyright was transferred to Wilson in 1938, who in turn assigned the copyright to the Thornton W. Allen Company.

The affair reminded those who first learned of it of the fight the University of Texas went through several years ago to regain copyright of their school song.

COLLINS SPEAKS TO ACCOUNTING SOCIETY TODAY

Clem W. Collins, president of the American Institute of Accountants, spoke this morning at eleven o'clock to the Accounting Society on the "Place of a Certified Public Accountant in Modern Life." All junior and senior accounting students were excused from class to have the opportunity of meeting and hearing Mr. Collins.

There was much interest displayed by the students in the talk given by the twice President of the American Institute of Accountants. Mr. Collins is engaged in public practice as senior partner of Clem W. Collins & Co. in Denver, Colorado, and is Dean of the School of Commerce, University of Denver, being a graduate from that University with the degree of Bachelor of Science. He also has obtained the C. P. A. certificate of Colorado and California, and is a charter member of the Institute. Serving on the special committee on bankruptcy reform and the special committee on governmental accounting was one of his many responsibilities, as well as serving on the committee on professional ethics from 1933 through 1934.

To-night Mr. Collins will journey to Houston to speak to the Houston Club of Certified Public Accountants of Texas.

COMMUNITY CHEST IS WORTHY ORGANIZATION ON CAMPUS

"We have contributed to the College Community Chest. No other solicitors allowed." Many students have seen this sign on doors around the campus, but they don't know just what the College Community Chest is.

The College Community Chest Committee members are Dan Russell, chairman, and D. L. Weddington, R. E. Kerper, C. H. Winler, Dutch Dillingham, D. B. Cofer, R.

L. Elkins, and R. R. Rapp. There is one drive held each year. Contributions are collected from all the departments of the college and other individuals around the college. These funds are then distributed to various agencies sponsoring charitable and civic enterprises. This saves the trouble of the agencies coming out on the campus and collecting.