

SOPHS HOLD ANNUAL BALL IN MESS HALL TONIGHT

Battalion To Be City's Official Paper

Ordinance Is Ordered Prepared

Council Decides To Use Students' 38-Year-Old Paper

City Attorney J. Wheeler Barger of College Station was instructed by the city council Thursday afternoon to draw up a city ordinance making The Battalion official city newspaper for College Station. The weekly meeting of the council was held in Mr. Barger's office.

In line with the proposed ordinance, The Battalion would print all legal notices and citations for the city. It is the only newspaper published at College Station, and has a circulation of 5,200 among the student body and College Station residents.

City Attorney Barger was also instructed to draw up an ordinance concerning the keeping of stock, and Sam Hopper and L. G. Jones were appointed on a committee to work with representatives of the college proper in effecting regulation of traffic.

A motion was made appointing Dean Gilchrist and J. L. McNew to a committee to prepare a map showing utility lines in the city to be presented to the Fire Insurance Commission in an effort to secure lower insurance rates.

Published by the Student Publications Board of A. & M., The Battalion is in its thirty-eighth year. This year marks its first publication as a semi-weekly newspaper. Next year, it is reported, it will be published three times a week.

It is the official student newspaper of the college, and serves as "unofficial" newspaper for all College Station residents through its reporting of all local news and maintenance of an "Official notice" section.

Extension Service Men Now Attending Chemurgy Conference

D. T. Killough of the Experiment Station and M. K. Thornton of the Extension Service are the representatives from A. & M. at the fifth annual conference of the National Farm Chemurgic Council now being held in Jacksonville, Mississippi.

The conference this year is being devoted chiefly to the latest developments in paper manufacture from pines and other woods.

R. V.'s To Participate in Elaborate Bluebonnet Festival

The Bluebonnet Festival in Navasota will take place this year during the three days April 14, 15, and 16, and participants in the occasion will be Miss Molly O'Daniel, 100 girls from various parts of Texas, the Ross Volunteers of A. & M., and approximately 100 school children from Navasota and surrounding towns.

Miss O'Daniel, who will officiate as Bluebonnet Queen in the festival, will have a court of 100 beautiful duchesses all of whom, together with Miss O'Daniel, will be escorted by the R. V.'s, and they will form the queen's royal party. Six of the duchesses whose names are available at present are Misses Dorothy McPhail of Gilmer; Lucille Ash of Bastrop; Henri Mae Hrussek of Hallettsville; Jerry Wilke of Austin; Frances Boney of Iola; and Marjorie Copenhagen of Wharton.

T. S. C. W. - Duchess



Chosen by Student Council members at the regular meeting Tuesday, Patsy Childers is Texas State College for Women's duchess to the Cotton Ball at Texas A. & M., April 21. Pictured on Rosebud Drive, she is reading a letter of instruction from Aggeland.

Miss Childers, daughter of Mrs. Lela Childers of Tyler, is vice-president of the student body, a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron, honorary home economics society, and secretary of the Mary Eleanor Brackenside Club. Last year she served as loan sale manager. She is a senior majoring in vocational home economics and minor in chemistry.—Photo courtesy The Lasso.

Aggie Twins Attend Texas Twin Convention at Waco

By D. K. HILL

The first annual Texas College Twin Convention was held at Baylor University, Waco, Texas on the 24th and 25th of March. The Baylor Twin Club and the Waco Twin Club were cohosts for the delegates who represented the principal colleges of the state. A. & M. was among the colleges represented.

The opening program was held in the Baylor University Chapel, President Neff presiding. After the welcoming of the delegates, Mr. Neff introduced the Keys Quadruplets of Oklahoma. These girls who are nationally known sang two songs and joked with Mr. Neff for a minute, followed by the Merrill triplets.

At noon lunch was served in Memorial Hall. From there the delegates went to Waco Hall for a session of quizzes and tests. Personal data was obtained on the reactions of twins to one another, their feeling toward the other family members, and their education. This was followed by an hour psychology test during which twins were separated.

There were over eighty sets of twins, three sets of triplets, and two sets of quadruplets at the convention. The Keys-Leota, Mary, Mona, and Roberta—and the Perricoes—"A, B, C, and D" (Anthony, Bernard, Carl, and Donald)—were the quads. The latter played accordians and sang a little song by which they introduced themselves.

There were three military schools among those represented. They were Randolph Field, N.T.A.C., and A. & M. Those from A. & M. were Tom and Mac Stewart, Bryan; Don and Eugene Hill, Austin; George and Eddie Bryan, Stephenville; and Keith and Carroll Hill, Hallettsville. There are five more pairs at A. & M. that did not get to make the trip on account of illness or for some other reasons.

Some of the morning program was broadcast over W.A.-C.-O, Waco; and three newsworld picture companies, Universal, Fox Movietone, and Paramount, took pictures of the twins.

A banquet Friday night featured Ross and Doss Hardin, twin legislators as speakers. Ross was elected representative from his district a few years ago and the voters have sent his brother to the legislature with him now. They look very much alike and they talked on similar topics.

Regular City Election To Be April 4

All Civic Officials To Be Selected in First Regular Vote

The first regular election for College Station officials will be held Tuesday, April 4, in the Southern Pacific depot. A mayor, five aldermen, a marshal, a city secretary, city attorney, city engineer, Sanitary engineer and a city health officer will be elected to replace men who have been temporarily elected to fill these positions.

The voting will be by ballot, and only those who are qualified voters under the State laws will be eligible to vote. Charles W. Crawford, head of the Mechanical Engineering Department, will be judge of the voting. Voting will be from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Present officials of College Station are Dr. J. H. Binney, of the Mathematics Department, mayor; Sam Hopper of the Mechanical Engineering Department, constable; and L. P. Gabbard of the Experiment Station, George Wilcox of the Education Department; Ernest Langford of the Architecture Department, Alva Mitchell of the Mathematics Department, and Luther Jones of the Agronomy Department, aldermen.

All present officials are candidates for election in the regular election, and positions of city engineer, city sanitary engineer and city health officer are to be filled by "write-ins," since there are no candidates on the ballot.

Ten Men Now Competing In Exams for Tour

Ten men are now taking the examinations conducted by Professor Joe Mogford of the Agronomy Department in competition for the Cotton Tour offered annually by the department to the three contestants who make the best average grades on a series of quizzes covering all phases of the cotton industry. Those taking the examinations are J. D. Aughtry, W. L. Colburn, H. F. Goodloe, R. L. Gregg, Beal Hargrove, L. L. Jacobs, J. Kautz, P. M. Mehane, R. B. McNiece and H. L. Rucker. All are seniors with the exception of Rucker.

These men have completed three of the series of nine tests. Subjects covered on the quizzes include botany of the cotton plant, cotton production, diseases of cotton, cotton insects, cotton machinery, cotton textiles, cotton genetics, cotton marketing and grading and stapling.

Money taken in from proceeds of the cotton ball will be used to defray expenses of the trip.

Hillel Club To Hold Open Meet, Services

There will be an open meeting of the Hillel Club Sunday night at 7:15 p. m. in the Asbury room of the library. Dr. R. P. Ludlum of the History Department will be the guest speaker.

Religious services for the Passover holidays will be held at Temple Freda in Bryan at 6:45 p. m., Monday, April 3. Following the services, about 7:30, the Passover Seder will be held at Maggie Parker's Dining room to the rear of Canady's Pharmacy in Bryan.

Six Candidates Now in Race for Junior Position

Aggies Rudy and Edge Meet With First Big Success As Song Composers

The ability to write music is a quality that very few of us have because of the fact that it is technical and complicated, and then, too, it requires an unlimited amount of natural talent.

Jack H. Rudy of B Company Infantry and Clarence Edge of K Company Infantry have this quality. Jack is an expert pianist as the result of many years of study, and it was during these years that he learned to write music. Lately the two have written many songs, the most recent of which was contracted for Thursday by the Recordshers Company of Los Angeles, California. The title of his new song is "Why Did My Love End This Way?" It was checked by the company and found to be without fault and so far as merit, meter, and lilt were concerned. The Recordshers Company will introduce the song to prospective buyers, and will inaugurate it over station KPBC in the near future. Jack, who wrote the music, claims that he merely sat down and did his part without the aid of any inspiration whatsoever. Clarence, however, admitted that his "love" had just ended when the idea for the lyrics came to him.

The boys have written and copyrighted a large number of songs since they first started working together and feel that they might go places once they start receiving royalties. Their chances are especially good because of the fact that Hollywood motion picture studios are not renewing their high-salaried songwriter contracts. While neither Rudy nor Edge is a professional, it is believed that they will be successful because of their musical ability and determination.

Earl Shields, Field Artillery sophomore, became the sixth candidate to announce for Junior Representative on the Student Publications Board today, following several days of quiet on the student political front. To date four candidates have announced for Battalion editor-in-chief; the only two who are eligible will seek the Chief Yell Leader position; three are asking for the place of Senior Representative on the Student Publications Board. Thursday is the last date to announce for offices which are filled in the general election to be held April 17.

The ballot this year will be longer than it has been in years, with 15 students already in the political field. Friday, April 14, The Battalion will print short statements from all candidates who wish to take advantage of the chance to promote their candidacy through the newspaper. If a runoff is necessary this year, it will be held one week after the April 17 general election, according to traditional rules.

Places on the ballot will be determined by drawing to be held in The Battalion office Thursday at 1 p. m. after the spring holidays. Candidates who do not appear for the drawing will be represented in the draw by members of The Battalion staff.

Junior Class Meets Monday To Nominate Candidates for Posts

Next Monday night, April 3, the Junior class will meet in the Assembly Hall for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of Longhorn editor-in-chief and senior social secretary for the coming year.

Nominations for these offices will be made at this meeting, and the election will be held Thursday night, April 13.

Those men eligible to run for Longhorn editor will be those classified juniors who have worked as junior assistants on this year's annual. Any classified junior may run for social secretary.

Election of the director of the Entertainment Series will be held at a later date.

JACK SHELTON, JR., SON OF Jack Shelton, College Station, has enrolled at Port Arthur College, for a course in radio.

Prestidigitatist Bill Small Has Made Much of His Hobby

A student of A. & M., who has made the most of an interesting and unusual hobby is William Warren Small, the campus magician. Bill is a senior in the Band and is a chem. engineer. His interest in legerdemain was stimulated by a traveling magician who happened to pass through the old home town, El Paso, many years ago. After seeing the show, Bill's curiosity was so aroused that he ventured backstage. The kind magician invited the boy to the large room where he produced a large bowl of chocolate fudge seemingly from thin air. From that instant, Bill Small was a confirmed magician. That was over ten years ago. Now he claims that if atoms and molecules fail to provide a living, he can turn to magic.

The difference between a slight-of-hand artist and a magician as explained by Small, who is a member of the International Brother-

hood of Magicians, is that the only equipment used by the former is everyday articles such as thimbles, cards, coins, and handkerchiefs. The magician employs apparatus especially built with false compartments and accessories in order to create illusions.

During the course of his career as a practitioner of prestidigitatation, Bill has performed at luncheon clubs, schools, churches, carnivals, parties, and banquets all the way from California to New York and down to Miami. His specialty is entertaining at banquets and dinner parties in such the same capacity as an after-dinner speaker. In a performance here at A. & M., Bill once astonished everyone by pulling from Dean Bolton's coat pocket a pint bottle of whiskey. His favorite trick is his Chinese linking ring routine.

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WITH THE ALUMNI

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H. Blevins McKenzie, '38, is located at Palma, New Mexico. . . . E. B. Hawkins, '38, is managing the Kelly Ranch, Route 2, Anton, Texas and sends regards to all his friends. . . . Roy Young, '38, former footballer, was accepted in Tulane Medical School and will start his studies there next fall. . . . Ken Smith, '38, is teaching and coaching at Gilmer, Texas. . . . Edgar H. Whorton, '39, recently accepted a position with the Wesson Oil and Snowdrift Sales Company, New Orleans, Louisiana. . . . Arthur H. Courtade, '38, Harold Hart, '38, and Edwin Zabeck, '38, are all with the Soil Conservation Service at Corsicana, Texas. . . . R. B. Steele, '22, was recently appointed chief engineer of the Canadian National Telegraphs with headquarters at Toronto, Canada. . . . Charlie O. James, '39, died at Houma, Louisiana on March 29. He was employed by the National Supply Company. . . . Milton S. Malone, '37, has been employed by the General Chemical Company of New York. After a training period, he expects to do sales and advisory work on insecticides from his company's Houston office. . . . Joe A. Ford, '37, is with the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation and is a member of the recently re-organized Shreveport A. & M. Club. . . . More A. & M. men live in Shreveport, than in any city out of the State of Texas.

Biggest Ball Yet Held Is Class Hope

Aggeland Plays For Ball, Tea Dance And Corps Hop

Tonight from 9 till 1 in Shiba Hall the sophomore class of A. & M. will hold its Third Annual Ball. The Aggeland Swing Band featuring Dorothy Thames, vocalist, will play for the affair.

Three years ago the class '39" held the first sophomore ball. The ball tonight, the third since then, promises to surpass the others. It will probably be the largest dance that has been held at A. & M. so far this year.

The sophomore class of T.S.C.W. has been invited down for the ball, and over 100 girls from there will be here. They will arrive here by bus about 5:30 this evening. Arrangements have been made for the girls and boys with "blind dates" to meet each other in the Y chapel as soon as the girls arrive. Introductions will be made by J. P. (Pat) Ledbetter, chairman of the Date Bureau Committee. The T. S. C. W. sophomores will be here until Sunday afternoon.

The three top stoops of Leggett Hall have been vacated to accommodate the visiting girls. All classified seniors have been invited to the dance; they can also keep their girls in Leggett if they wish. The decorations for the Ball will be elaborate. The backdrop set behind the bandstand will be 50 feet long and 18 feet high. The color scheme will be maroon and white. In the middle will be a huge maroon '41. It is set out in front and will be illuminated by indirect lighting. At each end will be a pair of white corporal stripes on a maroon background. These will also be set off by indirect lighting.

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