

## MURRAY GETS EDITORSHIP IN FINAL ELECTION

## Valedictorian To Be Named

### Williams and Haines Get Positions

### High Honor Is Subject To Voting

#### All Seniors May Vote Through Poll In Battalion

Seniors tonight and tomorrow morning will select the valedictorian of 1939. Through a poll conducted through The Battalion, classified seniors will choose one of the 10 scholastically highest seniors in school to receive the highest honor offered.

On the editorial page of this issue of The Battalion is the ballot to be used. Seniors who desire to vote should scratch all but one name on the list and bring or send their ballots, signed, to the Student Publications office, 126 Administration, before noon Wednesday.

The valedictorian will be announced in Friday's Battalion.

Following is the list of the 10 highest seniors and their grade point averages.

- Andy Rolins, civil engineering, 2.986.
- W. R. Cowley, agricultural education, 2.880.
- Eugene Pilant, agronomy, 2.817.
- Edward Kluender, electrical engineering, 2.768.
- Harry Goodloe, agronomy, 2.761.
- Dorsey McCrory, agricultural administration, 2.748.
- Ernest Sample, liberal arts, 2.736.
- Joe Evans, agricultural administration, 2.711.
- Robert Ehrke, engineering administration, 2.710.
- Archie Sherrod, civil engineering, 2.704.

### CIVIL ENGINEERS MEET TODAY AND WEDNESDAY

Two meetings of the A. S. C. E. are scheduled this week to hear outstanding men in the engineering profession who will be here today and Wednesday.

D. C. Forrest of Dallas, who was chief engineer of the Texas Centennial and who is now consulting engineer for the New York World's Fair, will address the student association of the A. S. C. E. here tonight.

Mr. Forrest will speak on his varied engineering experiences.

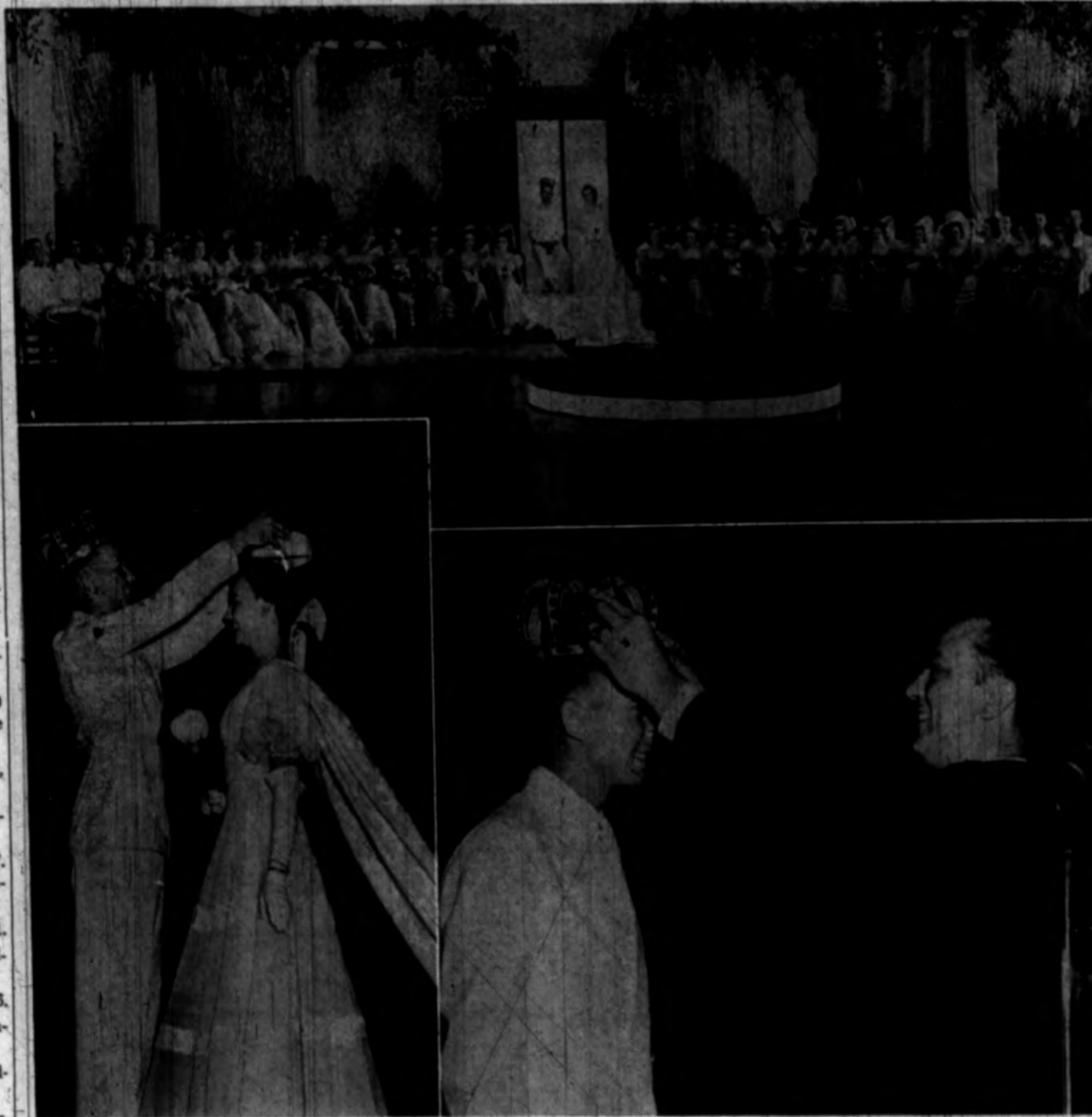
Allen P. Richmond, assistant to the Secretary of the A. S. C. E. will be here Wednesday to address all civil engineers at a meeting to be held at 2 p. m. in the lecture room of the civil engineering building. Mr. Richmond is on his way to attend the Texas Section of the A. S. C. E. to be held in Corpus Christi Thursday through Saturday. His subject will be on the organization of the A. S. C. E.

All civil engineers are urged by the student chapter to attend these meetings.

**ROBERT ALLAN McELROY**, "A" Signal Corps, '38, died Saturday morning following a thyroid operation. The funeral was held at 4 Sunday afternoon in San Marcos and interment was in Lockhart cemetery.

Cadets C. A. Johnston, A. D. Johnston, E. E. McDonald, C. J. Wimer and L. E. Thompson were honorary pallbearers.

### Cotton Court and Crowning of King and Queen



Lots of crowning took place on the A. & M. campus last Friday night when the eighth cotton pageant and ball held the attention of all students and many visitors. The upper picture shows the king and queen of the cotton pageant and ball with the ladies-in-waiting. Lower left is King Beal Hargrove crowning his consort, Ruth Gordon, student of Sophie Newcomb College in New Orleans, and from Bryan. The lower right picture features Governor W. Lee O'Daniel crowning the king of the cotton show, Beal Hargrove.

## Keeton and Bland Chosen By Sophs and Juniors As Next Assistant Yell Leaders

E. R. (Buster) Keeton and C. J. (Foots) Bland were elected junior yell leaders at a joint meeting of the junior and sophomore classes last night in the Assembly Hall.

Keeton is in "A" Signal Corps and Bland is in "A" Field Artillery. Both are from Houston. Bland is majoring in Industrial Education, and Keeton is majoring in Electrical Engineering.

The election last night was a runoff between the six remaining candidates who were chosen from the original thirteen at a meeting of the sophomore class April 18.

Keeton	586
Bland	273
Nelson	179
Thompson	147
Ball	102
Mushaway	73

TITLED "THE TEXAS STATE Network Lends a Hand," a prospectus of college and university plans for a 1939-40 was recently received by President Walton of Texas A. & M. College. The brochure, which included a questionnaire for each school, was prepared by Forrest W. Clough, education director of the network of which Station KXYZ, Houston, is a member; also 22 others over Texas.

Plans outlined call for: college variety broadcasts, debates, forums, and other features of educational and civic interest, it was announced.

## Mounted Review, Governor O'Daniel and Family, Pageant And Ball, Attracts Big Crowd to Campus During Weekend

Featuring W. Lee O'Daniel and his family, the eighth annual Cotton Pageant and Ball was held last Friday night in Memorial Gymnasium and the Mess Hall, with a record-breaking crowd on hand for the events.

In the late afternoon a mounted review of the entire corps was held in honor of the governor who arrived at College Station after attending the dedicatory services of the San Jacinto Museum near Houston. Following the review, Governor O'Daniel and his family were taken on a tour of the campus by President Walton and Col. Ashburn.

The Pageant, which began shortly after 8 o'clock, opened as Dean Kyle made an introductory address and introduced President Walton who in turn introduced Governor O'Daniel. The governor, in his address, praised A. & M. highly and spoke of his plans to help the cotton industry by finding new uses for the important Texas product.

The ceremonies began as Governor O'Daniel crowned Beal Hargrove King of the Cotton Pageant. The seventy-five duchesses and their escorts were then presented

### PETROLEUM ENGINEERS MAKE INSPECTION TRIP

A. & M.'s senior petroleum engineers begin their inspection trip of four days Wednesday morning when they go to Lufkin, and from there to Houston to visit other industrial concerns as well as to attend the \$1,000,000 Oil-World Exposition.

They will visit the Lufkin Foundry and Machine Company plant and afterwards have lunch at the plant. That afternoon they will visit other Lufkin industrial plants leaving immediately for Houston where they will be present at the reading of the student technical papers in the Convention Hall.

Thursday will be spent looking at the various exhibits at the Exposition.

The Senior class will inspect the Hughes Tool Company plant and the Gulf Brewing Company afterwards, being the guests of the Hughes Tool Company for dinner.

### SIXTH ANNUAL DAIRY SHOW TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Twenty students majoring in dairy husbandry will compete for both cash prizes and medals Saturday afternoon when the sixth annual dairy show will be held at the college dairy.

Animals to be shown in five different classes were picked by the students in February and have been fitted and trained for the show since that time by the contestant under the supervision of the professor in the department. Some fifty animals will be shown in the various classes which include calves, junior yearlings, senior yearlings, and two year olds in milk and which include both Holstein and Jersey animals. Placing will be done on a fifty-fifty basis, one-half being given for the animal itself and one-half on its condition and the showmanship of the contestant.

### Battalion Seeks Yearly Fund for College Library

#### Mothers Clubs Will Be Asked to Contribute \$500 Annually to Project

Within the next few days The Battalion will mail an appeal to all A. & M. mothers' clubs for support in a drive to establish an annual \$500 general reading fund to carry on the work now being done by the money obtained earlier in the year by contributions from mothers' clubs and the student body.

The Battalion will also present a request to Mrs. T. O. Walton, president of the Federation of A. & M. Mother's Clubs, for time on the federation club meeting program to be held here just before Mother's Day. This time will be used to review the past campaign of The Battalion, to show the need for the establishment of a general reading fund, and to ask the support of the clubs for the fund.

Under the plan proposed, the fifteen state clubs would be asked to pledge a \$500 a year general reading fund to the library to carry on the work of buying popular reading material, which is said to be badly needed by the library, and that is now being purchased out of funds obtained by an earlier drive of The Battalion.

Principal contributors to the present temporary fund were the San Antonio Mother's Club and the Sonora Mother's Club, which gave \$100 and \$50, respectively. The rest of the fund, which totaled \$206, was made up by contributions from the members of the student body during the second term registration.

### KASSEL PLAYS FOR COMPOSITE BALL FRIDAY

Art Kassel and his nationally famous "Kassels in the Air" orchestra will play at the annual Composite Regiment Ball to be held this Friday night from 9 until 1 in the Mess Hall.

Kassel and his orchestra are widely known through their playing on radio broadcasts over both CBS and NBC and in personal appearances throughout the country. Kassel is well known as a composer as well as an orchestra leader.

The dance committee is composed of A. T. Hingle and W. A. Adams. (Continued on page 4)

### Voting Lightest In Recent Years; 1332 Votes Cast

Bill Murray became next year's editor-in-chief of The Battalion, Mick Williams senior representative on the Student Publications Board, and Paul Haines junior representative, in the run-off election held here yesterday. Thirteen hundred and thirty-two votes were cast; 1,458 were cast in the primary election last Monday.

In the general election climaxing a heated race, Murray received a majority of 746. James "Hymie" Critz, his nearest contender in the primary and opponent in the run-off election, received 380 votes.

In the race for Senior Representative on the Student Publications Board, Mick Williams polled 565 votes to 566 for Jimmy Cokinos.

Paul Haines was elected Junior Representative with 563 votes to 538 for Earle Shields.

Scattering "joke" votes, including tallies for Mickey Mouse and W. Lee O'Daniel for Senior Representative and F. D. Roosevelt for Junior Representative were cast.

Voting this year was considerably lighter in both the primary and the runoff than in last year's heated campaigns. Voting last year approached the 2,000 mark in each election, with 1,458 in the primary this year being high.

### MURRAY MAKES PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR'S PAPER

Restoration of Kadet Kapers in a new and better form, establishment of a dormitory-wide news coverage, increasing the size of the sports staff, as well as procuring the best sports editor possible, starting an intramural sports column, and attempting to secure better coverage of club news are some of the plans of Battalion editor-elect Bill Murray.

He said last night that he contemplates no drastic changes in makeup of The Battalion, but that he hopes to improve the general news and feature value of the paper.

"I intend to make the editorial columns thoroughly constructive," he said, "and I want to co-operate with every class and organization to secure a great number of things that A. & M. wants and needs. I shall work consistently to attain them."

"I want to work for completely unbiased elections and campaigns" (Continued on page 4)

### Mini-Minton, New Parlor Game Invention of A. & M. Graduate

BY GEORGE FUEHMANN

Mini-Minton, a new game that is rapidly gaining popularity all over

the nation, is the invention of an ex-Aggie, John W. Braselton, '26. Braselton lettered in football at center and in baseball as catcher. A liberal arts student, he also served as president of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet his senior year.

Mini-Minton is a combination of table tennis and badminton, being played with table tennis paddles and the badminton shuttle. The game is played in the same manner as in badminton, eleven points constituting a game. Scoring is as in handball or volleyball and only the server can score.

Braselton is now Physical Director of the Tulsa Y. M. C. A. where he has been located for the past nine years. A frequent visitor to College Station, Mr. Braselton has been president of the Tulsa A. & M. Club for the past several years.

JOHN W. BRASELTON