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SENIORS HAVE CHANCE AT REGULAR ARMY

Professor's Banquet Scheduled for Wednesday

Rainey Is Speaker For Annual Affair

Several Hundred Guests Are Expected To Attend; Begins at 7 O'clock

The A. & M. Chapter of the American Association of University Professors will have as the principal speaker at their annual banquet Homer P. Rainey, newly elected president of Texas University. The banquet will be held at 7 o'clock Wednesday night.

Rainey has chosen as his topic of discussion, "Some Problems of Secondary and Higher Education Facing us in Texas." Also on the program to provide the entertainment for the evening will be the A. & M. Glee Club and Mrs. Dan Russell, vocalist.

This year, as in the past the Science Seminar and the Social Science Seminar will join the local chapter of University Professors in presenting the banquet.

Seven members of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas have accepted the invitation to attend the banquet and have notified the committee in charge of their plans for attendance.

Several hundred guests, including former students of both A. & M. and Texas University, are expected to attend. Also included in this number is the Board of Directors of A. & M. who have been invited to attend.

Rainey will journey from here to West Texas where Friday he will dedicate the McDonald Observatory at Ft. Davis, which has only recently been completed.

THE ARMY, THE NAVY AND Great Britain's Royal Air Force have contributed their bits of tribute to the attractiveness of Baylor University's unusual Bailey twins, Lois and Louise.

Since distribution of an illustrated feature article concerning the identicals, who were separated at birth for 18 years, by a national syndicate (the Associated Press) a few weeks ago, the girls have received fan mail from a cadet in West Point, a sailor on a man-of-war in the Atlantic, and now from two aviators in the Royal Air Force with headquarters in South Wales.

University of Texas Girl's Glee Club Performs for Aggie Audience at Concert in Assembly Hall Friday Night

Sixty members of the Texas University Girls Glee Club will present a concert Friday night in the Assembly Hall, sponsored by the Saddle and Sirolo and the Kream and Kow Clubs, according to C. B. Jennings, social secretary of the S. & S. The concert will follow the news and shorts and will precede the main feature, thereby beginning at about 7:30 p. m.

The Glee Club appeared here last year and was very well received. In a letter received from Janette Hicks, business manager of the club, a new and improved group is promised.

Rebecca Bush of San Antonio, who plays the accordion exceptionally well, is an addition to the group. She specializes in popular music.

Dorothy Davis of Stephenville will be here for her second year as soloist. Dorothy has studied at the Chicago Musical College. Her accompanist is Jane Ferguson, who is also the Glee Club accompanist.

The Trio, composed of Jean Granberry, Louise Self and Charlie Barnes, will be featured. They have been very popular this year and have been busy filling their engagements, which have included singing in the Governor's Mansion, Chamber of Commerce banquets, and on radio programs.

Debater



Mayo Thompson, sophomore shown above, has been selected as the "Most Valuable Debater" of A. & M. during the debate season just past. Recently he took fourth place and a prize of \$15 in the Battle of Flowers Oratorical Contest in San Antonio. Jim Shultz, Band Junior, won second place in this event, and a \$50 prize.

SUMMEY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF ENGLISH PROFS

Dr. George Summey, Jr., head of the English Department at Texas A. & M., was elected president of the Texas Conference of College Teachers of English at a meeting of the organization in Huntsville Saturday. Dr. Summey succeeds Miss Rebecca W. Smith, of the Texas Christian University. The group selected Southwestern University, Georgetown, as the next meeting place, after Dr. Claude Howard had extended an invitation to meet there.

Councillors named by the Conference include Prof. W. H. Vann, Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton; Dr. R. A. Law, University of Texas, Austin; and Brother Anthony Frederick of St. Mary's University, San Antonio.

Four Military Instructors to Be Transferred

Orr, Rice, Garrison And Roberts Are Among Those To Be Transferred

Four military instructors are leaving A. & M. at the end of this term to take up duty elsewhere.

Major Orr of the Infantry is being transferred to Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, and will be replaced by Major A. G. Wing who is now on duty in Hamilton, New York.

Major Rice of the Chemical Warfare Service will take up duty at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. His successor will be Major H. M. Woodward from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Captain Garrison, instructor in the Field Artillery, is leaving to attend the Army Industrial College at Washington, D. C. Major O. C. McIntyre from Madison Barracks, New York will replace him.

Captain Roberts, Cavalry instructor, will attend the Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. He will be replaced by Major E. M. Burnett from Ft. Oglethorpe, Georgia.

JUNIOR PROM MAIN TOPIC AT CLASS MEETING

Herbie Kay's orchestra has been definitely signed up for the Junior Prom and Final Ball, according to an announcement made by Woody Varner, class president, at a meeting of the Junior Class last night.

Other plans for the Prom were discussed. The banquet will start at 7:30 this year, and last until 9, with Herbie Kay presenting his floor show during the meal. Attorney General Gerald Mann will be the principle speaker for the occasion. The dance will begin at 10 o'clock.

Plans whereby senior boots could be purchased at a lower price than heretofore were also discussed. This involves a cooperative buying plan under which 250 boys must pay a deposit before May 15 in order to get a reduction on the boots.

Annual Federal Inspection Started This Morning By Corps Area Officers

Class of '39 Valedictorian



Andrew P. (Andy) Rollins, civil engineering senior of Dallas "A" Engineers, was selected valedictorian of the senior class for this year in the senior class balloting held through The Battalion last Tuesday and Wednesday. Rollins, with a grade point average of 2.95 out of a possible perfect three, stood top man in the list of ten scholastically high-ranking men who were eligible for the honor. He received 36 votes of a total of only 70 cast.

AGGIE CATTLEMEN WILL CELEBRATE WITH ANNUAL COSTUME BALL FRIDAY

With gaily-dressed cowboys to furnish the color, a bevy of girls to furnish the beauty, and the Aggieband Orchestra to supply the music, the annual Cattleman's Ball will get under way at 9 o'clock on Friday evening and will continue until an hour past midnight.

One of the few costume dances of the year, the Cattleman's Ball has never lacked for color. Regulation attire for the boys is white slacks, flashy shirt and a bright-colored sash. Members of the Saddle and Sirolo and Kream and Kow Clubs only, will be allowed to attend the dance.

Honor guests for the occasion will be members of the Texas University Girls Glee Club, who will present a concert in the Assembly Hall preceding the Ball. Approximately sixty of the girls will be present, and will be escorted by members of the two clubs giving the dance.

Don Bowen and Asa Jones, two of the best cowboy artists in the country, are handling the decorations for the dance. The background for the orchestra pit as well as the walls of the annex of Sibley Hall will be decorated with western pictures, drawn in charcoal.

During the dance, medals will be presented to members of the Senior Livestock Judging Team, Herbert Mills, Ed Brown, Doss Buntin, Ed Campbell, Walter Camp, Marvin Smith and Emil Prugel.

Overalls and Calico Dresses Will Be 'Reg' for Barnyard Frolic Saturday

There won't be any square dances but good swing music will accompany the swish of blue overalls and the rustle of short calico dresses when the Ag Engineers give the annual Barn Dance next Saturday night. All the boys and girls have attended the dances in the past remember what fun it was to get into free and easy costumes and dances to the music of the Aggieband Orchestra; they look with anticipation for the dance next Saturday night.

During the dance there will be a one-hour broadcast of the program over WTAW. The band has prepared a good program for the

Col. Keys Heads Inspection Group

Cadet Corps Seeks To Maintain Traditional Excellent Rating Score

Beginning this morning at 8 o'clock and extending through tomorrow afternoon the annual federal inspection will be carried on by eight officers of the Eighth Corps Area who will form the committee to carry on the inspection.

An officer from each organization and one in charge will compose the committee. Senior officer in charge will be Col. E. A. Keys, Civilian Components Officer of the Eighth Corps Area. Other members of the committee include Col. Henry A. Finch of the Engineers, Col. Theodore Spencer of the Infantry, Lt. Col. F. E. Garcia of the Chemical Warfare Service, Lt. Col. Faulkner Heard of the Field Artillery, Lt. Col. Charles M. Sawyer of the Signal Corp., Major John Maher of the Cavalry, and Major Eugene Conway of the Coast Artillery.

The schedule of inspection for this morning was visiting theory classes and the inspection of the Military Department Headquarters and instructors' offices. This afternoon the committee witnessed practical instruction in all units. After drill the committee was invited to call on President Walton. Also an inspection of the armory and gun ranges was scheduled for this afternoon. Completion of theory class inspection and inspection of the saddler shop and stables is scheduled for tomorrow morning. Inspection will be closed tomorrow afternoon with a mustered review of the corp to be taken by Col. Keys.

This inspection will determine the rating of the college for the coming year. Grades of Excellent, Satisfactory, and Unsatisfactory are given by the committee, and according to Col. Moore, this college has never in its history failed to receive its rating of Excellent. Colleges receiving this Excellent rating are eligible to wear a blue star on the right sleeve of the dress uniform.

"Fish Eats Fish"— Devours Two Live Crayfish—Really Craves His Seafood!

Not a "goldfish gobbler" but a live crayfish eater—that is Fish Aaron Sylvan Reich, of "H" In-antry, who on last Saturday night ate, without benefit of salt or salad dressing, two very much alive Brazos River crayfishes.

The first of the two creatures was devoured by sections; first the abdomen, which tasted surprisingly like shrimp; second the thorax, which went down more slowly; and finally the head, with its attached antennae. The second crayfish was eaten whole, according to eye-witnesses. Before beginning the procedure, Fish Reich swallowed three glasses of water, in order, he said, to give the crustaceans something to swim around in while they inhabited his stomach.

When contacted, Fish Reich's first comment was, "I sure crave my sea-food." When asked what was the secret of his ability to consume the crayfish, he explained, "The first thing you have to do is to get the fish in your mouth. Then it must be killed. The best method for doing this is to bite off the head, which may be difficult as the creature is wiggling around considerably. Then all you have to do is chew it up and swallow."

Go Directly In Army As Lieutenants

Officers From Corps Area To Interview Applicants Soon

Rather than being given one-year-service periods in the army, some seniors of A. & M. will go directly into the army as second lieutenants this year, it was announced today by Col. George F. Moore.

A letter of instruction was received by the office of the Professor of Military Science and Tactics stating that applications can soon be filed by graduating seniors for admission into the regular army. Under the Thomason Act, graduates could enlist for only one year of service.

A board of officers from the Eighth Corps Area will be selected to visit the college and interview any applicants who choose to apply for a commission. This board will make its recommendations to the commander of the Eighth Corps Area who then will notify candidates of their selection.

The number to be allotted to A. & M. has not yet been determined, but according to Col. Moore, there will be an alternate selected for each position to be filled. Vacancies in the list of principles will be filled by alternates according to rating by the board.

Col. Moore said that every effort was being made to complete selection and notify students before the end of this semester and graduation.

BRYAN PLANS IMPROVEMENTS ON COLLEGE ROAD

Beginning the latter part of this week, work will be started on an extension to Bryan's Main street which now ends at 28th Street, in an effort to aid Bryan-College transportation.

The new extension will be routed from the south end of main street parallel to the I. & G. N. railroad tracks and will come in on College Avenue at the junction of the old and new highways. From this point the extension will follow the old highway as far as the Country Club. The extension will be 40 feet wide.

This is as far as the present project calls for. However, the boulevard will be extended half a mile further, to the Bryan city limits in the near future.

Bryan officials have planned the improvements in an effort to prevent the dangerous traffic conditions which now exist on the old College Road, the street upon which the new extension will be laid, and the most direct route of traffic from College Station to Bryan.

PLANS MADE FOR AWARDS TO STAFF MEN

A committee on standardization of awards to students on the staffs of the various A. & M. publications composed of W. D. Barton, chairman, editor of the Longhorn; R. L. Doss, Battalion editor; J. P. Mandell and Sam Harris, Scientific Review co-editors; and A. G. Beckman, Senior Representative on the Student Publications Board, last week submitted to the Board a series of recommendations designed to equalize the awards to student staff members.

It has been a tradition that members of student publications receive awards annually for their work here at A. & M.



A Sample of the Beauty With Girl's Glee Club.