

## Elaborate Mothers' Day Program Plans Completed

### Engineers Day, Track Meet, Review, Picnic Are Planned

The Texas Aggies will honor hundreds of visiting parents royally on the A. & M. campus Saturday and Sunday, May 13 and 14. That Saturday the annual Engineers Day show takes place; and the day following is Mothers' Day. For those two days the entire student body will become a reception committee of more than 5,000, and see that parents are kept continuously on the go from one entertainment feature to another.

All engineering departments of the college will be open to visitors from 9 a. m. until 9 p. m. Saturday and the various branches of the engineering school will have special exhibits.

The Brazos County A. & M. Mother's Club will honor all visiting parents at a tea at the Y. M. C. A. from 2 to 5 p. m. Saturday.

The Southwest Conference track and field meet will be held at Kyle field beginning at 2 p. m. Saturday. A reception for all visiting parents will be held at the home of President and Mrs. T. O. Walton at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, and this will be followed by a Corps Dance in the college dining hall at 9 p. m.

Milton Rhea is chairman of the committee in charge of the two-day celebration, and he is being assisted by Bob Adams, president of the Senior class; David Thrift, Cadet-Colonel of the Cadet Corps; Byron Wehner, Aggie Band Major; George Staples, Captain of the Ross Volunteers, and Bill Livingston, social secretary of the senior class.

The program for Sunday, May 14, Mothers' Day, is filled with

### Aggies Have Opportunity To Be Astronomers

Students and others who are interested in astronomy are being invited to attend a series of informal weekly meetings for constellation study, which will be conducted during the remainder of the present term by D. F. Weekes, instructor in the Physics Department. These meetings will be held at the Physics Building at 8 p. m. tonight and each Friday evening throughout the month of May.

The location and distinguishing features of the constellations visible at the present time will be pointed out. Field glasses and telescopes will be available for the examination of objects of particular interest. These include, besides the moon, the loose cluster of faint stars called Praesepe, in the constellation of Cancer, and the bright star Castor, in Gemini, which is shown by the telescope to consist of three stars, and by the spectroscope, of six.

### "There'll Be a Big Time in the Old Hayloft" This Saturday Night

Yes, indeed—there'll be a high time in the old hayloft Saturday night when the Agricultural Engineering Society holds its Fourth Annual Barnyard Frolic on the top floor of the Ag Engineering Building from 9 till 12.

Overalls and calico dresses will be "reg" for the affair, which has the reputation of being one of the best dances of the year. "The Aggieband Fiddlers", commonly known as the Aggieband Swing Band, will furnish the music. A busload of TSCW students will be down for the frolic, which will add to the gaiety of the affair.

Decorations for the dance consist mainly of piles of hay, some farm implements, possibly a cow or two, and a few other things to help give the appearance of a barnyard.

Invitations have been sent to the managers and office forces and their wives, of the principal farm implement companies in Dallas

### Orator



James C. (Jimmie) Shultz, Band Junior of Grapeland, took second place and a prize of \$50 at the Battle of Flowers Oratorical Contest held recently in San Antonio.

### DEL COURTNEY TO PLAY FOR SENIOR BANQUET, DANCE

Del Courtney and his orchestra, now playing in New York, will play for the annual Senior Banquet and Ring Dance, which will be held May 12 in the mess hall. The banquet will start at 7 and the dance will follow immediately.

Decorations will be quite elaborate. The tables at the banquet will have a rose at each place and will be lighted by candles. At the dance the big ring in the west end of Sissa Hall will be the main point of interest. There will be a garden scene around the ring with a rose arbor around the path leading up to the ring. It will be lighted by spotlights with the rest of the hall lighted by indirect lighting.

Favors for the dance will be the face of the senior rings. A small "30" will be attached with a chain.

### DEAN SPEAKS ON ROAD SAFETY

"Highway Safety" was the subject of an address by Gibb Gilchrist, Dean of the School of Engineering, last night when he spoke before the Oil Belt Safety Conference in Abilene.

Dean Gilchrist was invited to be the principal speaker for the annual meeting of the club because of his work with the problems before the club, which was formed to promote safety and means of traffic control on heavily traveled highways in that part of the state.

### Herbie Kay Will Play for Junior Prom, Final Ball

Junior Class Plans for Annual Banquet and Hop

Herbie Kay and his nationally-known 14-piece orchestra will play for the Junior Prom and the Final Ball, June 1 and 2 from 10 until 2 p. m., it was definitely announced at a recent meeting of the junior class.

Attorney General Gerald Mann has been invited to be the principal speaker for the Junior Banquet.

Woodie Varner, class president, who acted as chairman, also announced that the total cost of the Junior Prom will be \$2.50 apiece, which will include the Junior Banquet, the dance, favor, dance program, and banquet menu.

The favors will be heart-shaped lockets with mother-of-pearl fronts and with gold A. & M. seals in the center. Programs and menus will be elaborate maroon and white leather booklets, contracted for with the Southern Engraving Company. "Stags" as well as boys with dates will be given favors, programs, and menus.

At the meeting a written ballot was taken of all those present; 224 voted, of whom 212 indicated their intention of attending the banquet and prom, and 192 said they planned to bring dates to both.

Seniors will be allowed to attend the Junior Prom free of charge.

"We hope to make this the outstanding affair of its kind ever held on this campus; and prospects are fine," Varner stated.

### COUNCIL ENACTS TRAFFIC LAWS

Last night at 7:30 the College Station City Council passed an ordinance regulating traffic at the North Gate, and took steps to arrange for lower fire insurance rates in this city.

The traffic ordinance makes the following provisions:

All cars shall be required to stop at the intersection of Bell Street and Sulphur Springs Road.

The parking limit on Bell Street on the north side of Sulphur Springs Road shall be 30 minutes. The parking limit on the south side of the latter-named road shall be one hour.

The maximum speed limit shall be 20 miles per hour.

### GIESECKE TO INSPECT NEW IRON PROCESS

Dr. F. E. Giesecke, director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, and E. R. Mertz of the Mechanical Engineering Department, are on their way to Toledo with a committee of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce to inspect a new method of iron production, looking toward utilization of the vast East Texas iron ore deposits. J. D. Madaras of Detroit claims to have invented a method by means of which natural gas can be used to produce iron from iron ore like that found in plentiful quantities in East Texas.

He was here last week discussing his method with various members of the A. & M. organization. The Madaras inventions have been patented and the patents are owned by a corporation that has built an experimental plant at Toledo, it is said.

Iron ore has been shipped from East Texas to the plant and the plant is reported to be functioning satisfactorily. The process is said to have been examined by and approved by experts from the University of Minnesota, the University of Michigan, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

A number of East Texas citizens are interested in the process and are said to be willing to make an installation in East Texas for the production of iron if the experimental plant at Toledo proves satisfactory. The object of the present trip is to examine the plant in operation, it was said.

## Aggie "Cowhands" Will Celebrate Tonight at Annual Cattleman's Ball

### They'll Sing Here Tonight



This lovely sextet will be featured on the program of the University of Texas Girls' Glee Club tonight in the Assembly Hall. The girls are Ruth Woods, Edwina Akin, Grace Akin, Annette Collier, Mary Sue Ries, and Flossie Crow. They come here as guests of the Saddle and Sirolo Club and the Kream and Kow Klub, and will attend the Cattleman's Ball here tonight.

### University Glee Club Girls Will Sing Here Tonight, Then Attend Annual Cattleman's Ball as Honor Guests

Sixty-five members of the Texas University Glee Club will present a concert tonight in the Assembly Hall, sponsored by the Saddle and Sirolo and the Kream and Kow Klubs.

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 also the Glee Club accompanist.

The Trio, composed of Jean Grandberry, Louise Self and Carlisle 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 Man-

union, Chamber of Commerce banquets and on radio programs.

The Glee Club Sextet has had a busy year. It is composed of Ruth Woods, Edwina Akin, Grace Akin, Annette Collier, Mary Sue Ries and Flossie Crow. Among the members of the club there is the sweet University and a number of Bluebonnet Belles.

Following the concert, the girls will be honor guests at the Cattleman's Ball an annual event sponsored by the clubs already mentioned.

### WALTON PROTESTS BUDGET DECREASE

"The efficiency of state-supported colleges and universities in Texas will be decreased considerably if the reduced appropriations voted this week by the House of Representatives are accepted by the Senate," President T. O. Walton of Texas A. & M. declared at Fort Worth last Saturday.

Charging an "alarming lack of support of the cause of higher education in Texas," President Walton told a Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce luncheon session that Texas' already inadequate teaching staffs and funds for maintenance would become even more inadequate if the \$500,000 cut were substantiated.

He called upon the citizens of Texas to use their "good influence" to see that the Legislature provides for the "adequate support" of the state's colleges and universities.

"While there are actually enrolled in the state's institutions of higher learning for the current session 12 per cent more students than were enrolled when the budgets under which the institutions are now operating were passed," President Walton said, "the House was able to reduce the total appropriations for the state's higher educational institutions by a half million dollars."

"The cruel facts are that unless the appropriations passed by the House for the support of the state's higher educational institutions are substantially increased by the Senate, your university (Texas) and your colleges will be far less efficient at the end of the next biennium than they are today."

### HOWELL ATTENDS REGISTRAR MEET

E. J. Howell, registrar at A. & M., recently attended the annual meeting of College Registrars in New York. Mr. Howell was second vice-president of the meeting, chairman of the executive council, member of the committee on admission requirements, and in addition presided at one of the morning sessions.

The membership of the College Registrars consisted of 784 registrars, of whom 440 were in attendance at New York.

### Dr. Flinn Will Speak Sunday on Methodist Center

"A Methodist Chapel and Student Center for A. & M." is the subject on which Dr. Glenn Flinn, Chairman of the Methodist Student Commission of Texas, will speak next Sunday at 11 a. m. in the A. & M. Methodist Church.

A called session of the Quarterly Conference will be held at 10 a. m. Sunday to authorize a statewide campaign to raise \$125,000 for Methodist work at A. & M. Dr. Flinn, who is to direct the campaign, will maintain a headquarters from Monday through Wednesday of next week in the Y. M. C. A. parlor. All Methodist students and their friends are being invited to hear Dr. Flinn Sunday morning and to see him personally next week. He will explain the campaign and give information as to how interested students can help in it this summer. Volunteers are being sought to present this cause in every community in the state during the summer.

### LAND SHORT COURSE BEGINS

The annual Texas Land Association Short Course opened this morning with an address of welcome by Dean F. C. Bolton, vice-president of A. & M., at 10 a. m. in the Agriculture building. The short course is designed as a means of educating the land owners of the state in the need for land preservation and the most efficient means by which this can be done.

A number of prominent men are here for the two-day course, which will close tomorrow afternoon with a field trip to different parts of Brazos county for the purpose of allowing members of the short course an opportunity to identify and learn soil types.

Principal speakers for the course include Dr. F. L. Thomas, State Entomologist; Dr. A. A. Dunlop, Experiment Station agronomist; Rr. E. P. Humbert, Head of the Genetics Department; Dr. J. T. S. Lund, instructor in the Department of Agricultural Economics; Dr. D. W. Thorne, instructor in the Department of Agronomy.

### Officers of American Institute Of Mining Engineers to Visit Here

The national officers of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers will stop over here Thursday on their annual tour of the U. S. to be honored with a luncheon given by the student chapter of the A.I.M.E.

The officers are on route in the South and will travel to Houston later in the evening. The tour is to all colleges and universities where student chapters are located, and to senior chapters. They will arrive by train and will travel in the private car of the past-president of the Society.

The banquet will be held in Sissa Hall at 12:30 with juniors and seniors of the society excused from classes to attend. The President of the student chapter, D. B. McCorquodale, will preside at the luncheon. Honored guests include national past-president Jack-

ling, President Gilles, Secretary A. B. Parsons, and Assistant Secretary Chester Naramore.

### Laryngitis Reduces Editor's Voice to Inaudible Whisper

Battalion Editor R. L. Doss yesterday did an about-face on one of the policies of The Battalion.

Early in the year The Battalion carried numerous editorials written by Doss to improve democratic relations on the campus, including speaking to fellow students.

Yesterday Doss stopped doing just that—temporarily. Laryngitis which was aggravated by speaking at Wednesday's Battalion staff meeting had reduced his voice to an almost inaudible—and very painful, he said—whisper. Hospital attendants have told him to "give his voice a rest."

### Texas Glee Club Girls To Be Honor Guests for Dance

With the Texas University Girls' Glee Club as guests of honor, the annual Cattleman's Ball this evening at 9 p. m. in the mess hall, will get under way with members of both the Saddle and Sirolo Club and the Kream and Kow Klub and their guests swinging out to the music of the Aggieband Orchestra.

Decorations for the dance carry out the traditional cowboy theme, with large charcoal drawings by Asa Jones and Don Bowen arranged behind the orchestra pit and about the walls of the annex in such a way as to depict the days work of a cow-puncher in all its glamour and hardship.

In keeping with the name and decorations, regulation attire for the members of the two clubs will be white slacks, bright, flashy rodeo shirts and a colorful Spanish vaquero sash. All students attending the dance will be clothed in this rodeo costume with only members of the two clubs being eligible to attend the affair.

The dance, which is given in honor of the graduating students of the two clubs, will also honor the members of the senior livestock judging team. Members of the team are Herbert Mills, Ed Brown, Doss Buntin, Ed Campbell, Walter Camp, Marvin Smith, and Emil Prugel.

### ENGLISH, MATH CONTESTS HELD

Two departments have lately staged their annual contests for freshmen and sophomores—Mathematics and English. Winners will be announced at a joint banquet in the near future.

Last Monday night between 7:30 and 9:30 the eleventh annual Math contest was held in the Academic Building. Sixty sophomores and 105 freshman participated. The freshmen's papers have not yet been graded.

The sophomore papers have been graded, and the 20 making the highest grades are as follows: J. K. Winsor, A. P. Bolding, E. D. Brundridge, J. H. Cain, K. W. Dahl, S. F. Fenner, J. P. Giles Jr., L. H. Grasshoff, G. C. Hardin, V. A. Kline, R. Littlefield, Frank A. Reynolds, N. H. Snyder, H. G. Talbot, and E. B. Wheeler. These 20 sophomores, and also the highest ranking freshmen in their own contest, will go into the finals which will determine the winners of each contest.

Last Thursday night the annual English contests for freshmen and sophomores took place in the Academic Building with 21 freshmen and 24 sophomores participating. The contest was limited originally to sophomores only, prizes being awarded by William Morris, prominent ex-Aggie now living in Dallas. Two years ago, through the efforts of Dr. Summey, who at that time presented the freshmen with prizes himself, it was made possible to hold contests for both freshmen and sophomores.

However, F. M. Law has taken over the sponsorship of the freshman contest, which has been named in his honor.

A banquet will be held for the contestants in the mess hall sometime after the close of the contest. At this time the winners of all the contest will be announced, and awards will be presented to them.

### "The Conquest of Vision" Is Address Given by Dr. Daily

Dr. Ray K. Daily, well-known physician and prominent civic leader of Houston, Tuesday night delivered an illustrated lecture, for a large audience of Biology Club and faculty members and guests, on the subject "The Conquest of Vision."