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Dormitory Assignments To Be Made as Term Ends

Old Dorms Will Probably Not Be Used Next Year

Report on Whether Dorms Will Be Ready for First Term Next Year Needed

Assignment of organizations to dormitories for next year will be made before the end of this term. Colonel Moore, P.M.S.&T. and Commandant of A. & M., stated yesterday. Included in the distribution of halls will be the assignment of organizations to the 12 new dormitories and the probable discontinuance of the use of old halls such as Ross, Foster and Goodwin for the housing of students.

Colonel Moore said that assignments had been held up pending word from the contractors concerning the number of dorms that would be completed in time for the opening of school next September but that as soon as this information was available that organizations would be distributed in the halls and project houses.

According to tentative plans if all dorms are not finished by the opening of the fall term, units will be housed in the old dormitories until the completion of the new buildings and will then be moved into the new halls.

The Bellows Construction Company is expected to make a report to the board of directors in a meeting next week and after that time a more definite plan for housing of the cadet corps can be arranged.

The commandant stated that distribution of the new dormitories would be made as far as possible to units that had in the past lived in the older buildings and that the treatment of the units to the buildings in which they have lived would be considered.

Suggestions for Placement Bureau Made by Committee

The committee requested by C. L. Babcock, President of the Ex-Students Association, to study the establishment of a Placement and Personnel Bureau at A. & M., recently made the following suggestions and recommendations in respect to its functions and objectives. The final decision whether A. & M. will have a placement bureau or not will be made next July.

1. The establishment of a campus office with a full time director, adequate stenographic help, and necessary records and equipment to be of every possible assistance to faculty members in their placement efforts, to students seeking employment or counsel and to ex-students. This office to be a part of the organization of the Ex-Student Association, but under the direction and supervision of a joint Faculty-Former Student Advisory Committee.

2. To cooperate with the college staff in its placement and personnel activities—rendering all possible support and assistance to these activities.

3. The promotion and study of additional placement opportunities and outlets.

4. The promotion, in cooperation with the faculty, of a program of student education along employment lines.

5. Employment and placement efforts for ex-students.

6. The development of a publicity program to acquaint old and new employers with what the A. & M. College has to offer. The establishment of active placement committees as a part of the program of every A. & M. club.

7. A study of the trends of employment with relation to education.

8. The development and maintenance of personnel records.

The members of the committee which made these suggestions in

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Speaks Wednesday



Lynn Landrum, columnist with the Dallas Morning News (above) will address an A. & M. audience here Wednesday night in the Chemistry Lecture Room. Mr. Landrum is being brought to the campus by the Economics Club.

Lynn Landrum to Address Student Club Wednesday

"Erosion of Economics in Floor of Politics" Will Be Columnist's Subject

Lynn Landrum, columnist for The Dallas Morning News, will speak in an open meeting here Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. in the lecture room of the Chemistry building. His topic will be "Erosion of Economics in the Flood of Politics."

Mr. Landrum will be the last guest speaker for the Economics club this year.

A strict anti-New Dealer, Mr. Landrum has written a front-page column, "Thinking Out Loud", for the News since the formation of The Dallas Dispatch-Journal. Prior to that time, he was editorial writer for The Dallas Journal.

In speaking before other groups Mr. Landrum has stated that if he does give a one-sided glimpse at times in his column and that causes his readers to think, then his column is serving its purpose. "Teasing readers to think" is his basis for column writing.

The Economics Club selected Mr. Landrum for his economic interest in the field of politics, where he has shown a great interest in the use of economic principals, the president of the club said.

Engineering Marvels and Displays To Be Featured During Annual Show

The annual Engineering day at A. & M. will open Saturday with the biggest, most complete and unusual show ever presented on the campus. Not only will all the outstanding exhibits of past shows be given but a number of new displays and shows will be presented for the first time, according to announcements made by the Engineer's Council, a student body which is responsible for the increased program.

One of the many outstanding shows on the program will be a model airplane contest and demonstration given by the Mechanical Engineering department. In the demonstration will be a number of gas driven models in addition to the regular rubber band powered type. The contest will be held Saturday afternoon at the Field Artillery drill field with a number of contestants expected from all over the state to take part.

Another new feature of this year's show will be a complete mapped route to follow in seeing the exhibits. Spectators will be able to see the entire show in a shorter time with less confusion and still not miss any of the interesting details.

Displays are being arranged in all engineering buildings and shops, the chemistry building, the library

Exes Will Entertain Seniors

The first "Harvest Picnic", given by the Former Students Association in honor of the 1939 graduating class and the teaching staff of the College, will take place on Tuesday, May 23, from 5:30 to 7 p. m., on the Formal Garden in front of the Administration Building, it was announced today by E. E. McQuillen, secretary of the Former Student's Association.

All men graduating in 1939, both June and Summer School, are invited to attend the picnic.

The Association of Former Students hopes this "Harvest Picnic", celebrating as it does the completion of years of successful work, will give members of the teaching staff and graduates an opportunity for informal visiting with each other before Commencement.

A picnic dinner will be served. There will be no formality and only a very brief program, according to Mr. McQuillen.

The former students have made plans to honor all graduating classes in the future in a similar manner, and a good beginning will help to make it a success, Mr. McQuillen said.

KYLE ATTENDS MEETING OF FARM CREDIT BOARD

Dean E. J. Kyle of the School of Agriculture recently returned from a weeks trip to Washington and New York, during which he attended a meeting of the Farm Credit Administration with the President, and later a meeting of the Board of Directors of the same organization. The agricultural situation of the United States was discussed at these meetings.

There is a great deal of interest in Washington at the present time, according to Dean Kyle, due to the reorganization plans of the President, which are reported to include consolidation of the Farm Credit Administration and the Farm Security Administration with the Department of Agriculture.

Dean Kyle attended the opening of the New York World's Fair, sitting on the speakers platform, by congressional courtesy, when President Roosevelt officially opened the Fair. He returned by way of Louisville, Kentucky, where he saw the sixty-fifth running of the Kentucky Derby.

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and other buildings, in addition to several outside exhibits. The Engineer's Council is composed of W. C. Morris, chairman, Leroy Bales, L. W. Gregory, Buddy Mandell, Tony Polanovich, Hal Moseley, and A. S. Witchell.

ACCORDING TO MRS. ANNA V. Smith, the College Station Post Office has recently added three regular clerks to the staff. This makes a total force of 11 regular clerks at the local office.

Dr. Rainey Delves into American Youth Problem During Address to A. & M. Association of Professors

America today faces maturity of its commitment 100 years ago to a free public education of youth; but that obligation when made never was envisioned to include even the present percentage that is responding, Dr. Homer P. Rainey, president-elect of Texas University told 300 educators here last week. The occasion was the meeting of the A. & M. chapter of the American Association of University Professors in joint session with the Science Seminar and the Social Seminar.

Bryan Amusement Company Files Answer to Suit

Exception Taken to All Allegations in College Hills Estates' Petition

Dismissal of the suit filed by the College Hills Estates Company against the Bryan Amusement Company was asked in an answer to the suit filed Saturday by the Amusement Company. Exception was taken to all allegations in the petition.

The answer alleges that the College Hills Estates Company is not a necessary or proper party to the suit, and for this reason the action should be dismissed.

Exception is taken to the allegations regarding the incorporation and development of the property, as not material to the suit.

Exception is taken to the allegations that Mrs. Morris Schulman, manager of the Bryan Amusement Company, was acquainted with the history and character of the subdivision, as not material.

Exception is taken to the allegations regarding the plans of the defendant to erect a new theater in Bryan and to perpetuate an alleged monopoly.

Exception is taken that the defendant, by artifice, compels Texas A. & M. College students and residents of the subdivision to attend moving picture performances at the Bryan theaters.

No allegation sufficient to show damages claimed, is set out in the answer.

The suit charged that the Bryan Amusement Company, which purchased a lot in College Hills Estates, had not started the erection of a theater, as it was alleged it had agreed to do at the time the lot was purchased, and damages in the sum of \$25,000 were asked. The realty company also offered to take back the lot, returning the purchase price with interest from the time of sale. The answer was filed by F. L. Henderson, Coulter Hoppes, W. R. Allen and Rittenbeck and Rittenbeck of New Orleans, attorneys for the defendant.

COTTON TOUR WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED

H. F. Goodloe, outstanding honor-society senior; R. V. McNiece, E. Infantry; and J. D. Aughry, M. Infantry, were the first, second, and third place winners respectively of the annual cotton study tour, Dr. J. S. Mogford, head of the contest, announced this week.

Goodloe was the high point man of the contest with a score of 748 out of nine different tests in the contest, and was closely followed by McNiece and Aughry.

The three graduating seniors and Dr. Mogford will leave from A. & M. immediately after the final review for an extensive study of the cotton industry in the Southern states and will visit during the tour all important Southern points in connection with the industry with a travelogue schedule which will have the group arrive in Washington and New York about the middle of June. After a short visit at the New York World's Fair they will sail for Liverpool, England, on June 16 aboard the SS American Importer (Continued on page 4)

Unofficial Report of R.O.T.C. Federal Inspection Is Very Favorable

First Star to See Fair



Joan Bennett of the films (right) and her sister, Mrs. Morton Downey, see the Fair's sights, with distinction that Joan becomes first star to visit the New York Exposition. Joan wisely avoids tramping over the spacious grounds.

Class of '39 to Celebrate Coming Graduation With Ring Dance, Banquet

A. & M.'s class of '39 will hold their banquet and ring dance in the mess hall Friday night, climaxing their whirl of activities for the past four years. Del Courtney and his orchestra will furnish their popular brand of sweet music, playing for the banquet at 7 and the dance from 10 till 2.

Since its origination three years ago, the Senior Ring Dance has become the most eagerly anticipated social event for the seniors. Traditional ring ceremony will occupy so much of the available program time that no speeches have been planned for the banquet except the History of the class to be presented by George Fulton, class Historian.

Del Courtney will play for both the ring dance and the corps dance the following night. He and his orchestra have made a spectacular rise to nation-wide recognition since their origination seven years ago as a college orchestra at St.

Mary's in California. So well liked is his music that it has become quite the custom for him to be held over wherever he plays an engagement. In Honolulu he contracted six weeks and was held over for 22.

Featured in the decorations will be the crest of the senior ring. Programs will be printed with the crest stamped in gold on the front. Favors will be the numerals '39 on a chain leading to a pin very similar to the crest. And the traditional ring will be placed on the platform for the seniors and their dates, to walk through. A rose will be placed at each girl's plate and a bouquet in the center of the table. Blue candles are to be used with blue reflectors over the lights to create a near effect of moonlight.

College Appropriation Bill Hiked By Senate During Friday Session

The Texas Senate Friday passed the college appropriation bill, which was introduced to this group last Monday, after tacking to it \$7,650,000 more than finance committee recommendations. Included in the land slide of amendments were two which provided for \$35,000 for a wool products laboratory and \$75,000 for a science building at A. & M.

The measure totaled \$25,428,165 for the next biennium, or about \$9,600,000 more than was allotted

by the House. The finance group of the Senate had approved a \$17,778,165 expenditure with no provisions for new buildings but a flood of floor amendments boosted the total after Senator G. H. Nelson of Lubbock had forced acceptance of an appropriation for an agriculture building at Texas Tech to start the onrush of other similar amendments. The bill, because it differs from the one passed by the House, inevitably will go to the conference committee where the additions face probable death.

Senator Morris Roberts of Potts voiced protest against the original Texas Tech amendment by asserting that many institutions could use more buildings but the primary need was to equalize salaries of instructors and "put something in the buildings they now have."

He said it was committee policy to declare a two-year moratorium on plant expansion while faculties were increased and remunerated in line with increasing student enrollment. The finance chairman explained the committee bill was approximately \$1,750,000 more than current appropriations, despite the fact it deleted requested buildings.

Units Probably Will Again Receive Excellent Rating

A. & M. Has Kept Blue Star Rating Since First ROTC Established Here

An unofficial report from senior officers on the annual federal inspection conducted at A. & M. last week was to the effect that a very favorable opinion had been gathered by the eight officers of the Eighth Corps Area who conducted the inspection and that all A. & M. units will again receive the blue star rating of excellent for next year.

In a statement to Col. Moore, P.M.S.&T., Colonel E. A. Keys, senior officer in charge of the inspection and Civilian Components Officer of the Eighth Corps Area, stated that he noted distinct progress in all units since his last inspection.

Reports on the review held in honor of the inspecting officers last Wednesday indicate that it was one of the best ever presented both in attendance and the appearance of the units during the review.

Colonel Moore, said that he felt confident that due to the pleased attitude of the senior inspector that all units would be allowed to wear the blue star of excellence on the right sleeve of the dress uniform.

Since the establishment of the R. O. T. C. training, at A. & M. the blue star has been won and worn by all units every year and has become almost a traditional rating for the school in this work. Never in the history of the school has the college failed to secure this rating.

Juniors May Get 10 Percent Off in Boot Purchase

A 10% reduction in the price of senior boots purchased from Luchese Boot Company in San Antonio can be secured if as many as 350 juniors will sign up and pay a \$2.50 deposit before Sunday night. Woody Varner, president of the junior class announced today after a conference with officials of the boot company.

Under this plan the regular priced \$35.00 boot would be reduced in price to \$31.50 for a reduction of \$3.50 a pair. If as many as 300 juniors sign up for the boots they will be \$32.00 per pair and if 250 are signed up the reduction will be to \$32.50 a pair. In addition, if as many as 250 or more sign for the boots the company agreed to a further reduction of \$1.00 on the combined price of spurs and chains for those who have signed for the boots.

If as many as 250 juniors have not signed up and paid the deposit with their first sergeant, day students may sign with Joe Doran in Room 26, seventh ramp of Law hall, by Sunday night the price of the boots will be \$35.00 and the money deposited will serve as a down payment for the boots at that price. All those who do not sign up for the boots on this plan will be charged the regular \$35.00 price even if a reduction is secured, Varner stated.

Mr. Luchese will be in College Station next Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to take measurements for all boots ordered. He stated that the boots will be delivered any time and any place that the purchasers desire them.

W. HOWARD BADGETT, '39, was elected Vice President of the Texas Reserve Officers Association at the meeting at Dallas last week. He was also authorized to attend the annual convention of the National Reserve Officers Association in Porto Rico this June. Badgett is now with the A. & M. Experiment Station.