

Mothers Clubs Federation in Saturday Meeting Here



Above is shown a portion of the more than 70 mothers, members of the A. & M. Mothers Clubs of Texas, attending the meeting of the State Federation of A. & M. Mothers Clubs in the mess hall parlor last Saturday. In the meeting, the Federation adopted a resolution supporting The Battalion's campaign for a General Reading Fund, as well as transacted other business.

Below are shown left to right, Mrs. Roy Aldwell of Sonora, acting treasurer, and Mrs. Ed Brewster of Temple, acting recording secretary.

DEBATERS, MATH AND ENGLISH CONTEST WINNERS, ARE HONORED

Bradford Hardie and Rufus B. Pearce were the winners of gold watches in the annual freshman Mathematics Contest; Phil Potts and B. D. Brundige won watches in the sophomore Math Contest; Erwin G. Doughty and J. P. Giles Jr. won third prize of \$5 cash in these two contests, respectively; Bob Gulley won first prize of \$20 Jr. won third prize of \$5 cash in the freshman English contest; and C. R. Matchett won \$20 and Robert G. Tonkin \$5 in the sophomore English contest.

These men were awarded their prizes Wednesday night at the Math-English contest banquet held in the banquet room of the mess hall. Dr. George Summey Jr., Head of the English Department, and Dr. W. L. Porter, Head of the Mathematics Department, spoke, and Professor of English D. B. Cofer acted as toastmaster.

The debate team of this past season was also honored at the banquet. Mayo Thompson, president of the Debate Club this year, was awarded a \$15 prize donated by Dr. Summey for being "Most Valuable Debater"; and Don Gabriel, who won second prize in the freshman English contest, was awarded a \$5 prize also contributed by Dr. Summey for being "Most Valuable Freshman" on the debate team. These men and four other members of the Debate Club—R. L. Doss, John Nichols, J. M. Casey, and W. C. Goins—were presented their debating medals. Thompson and Doss had numerals added to their medals for work in debating last year.

The first prize of \$20 in the freshman English Contest and the second prize of \$5 were donated by Dr. Francis Marion Law, member of the class of '35 and now president of the college Board of Directors. The first prize of \$20 and the second of \$5 in the sophomore contest were contributed, as in past years, by William Morris of Dallas, class of '32.

Caldwell Elected Economics Club Head

Roy Caldwell, economics student from McKinney, was elected to serve as president of the Economics Club next year, at a meeting of the board of directors of the club last Monday night. Bill Duncan was elected vice-president, Charles Donnelly secretary-treasurer, and Jimmie Cokinos, social secretary.

Plans concerning the club for next year were discussed. A list of speakers for programs next year has already been started.

According to custom, the new president presided over the last meeting of the club for the school year—Wednesday night at which Lynn Landrum of the Dallas Morning News spoke.

The first and second prizes of gold watches and the third prize of \$5 in the freshman Mathematics Contest were all Robert F. Smith Awards, provided by a memorial fund raised by friends of Mr. Smith, who was an instructor in the Mathematics Department. His widow, Mrs. Anna V. Smith, who is now postmistress of the College State Post Office, attended the banquet as an honor guest to present these awards.

The gold watch given as first prize in the sophomore Math Contest was donated by J. B. Haile, a graduate of A. & M. The second-prize watch was given by the Mathematics Department; and the third prize of \$5 was donated by A. M. Waldrop and Company of Bryan.

Ninety students who took part in the annual contests, past winners of the contests, a large number of faculty members, the Debate (Continued on page 4)

Aggies Are Eligible To Enter National Prize Essay Contest

All Aggies are eligible to enter the annual I.B.A. essay contest sponsored by the Investment Bankers Association of America which is open until July 1 to all regularly enrolled undergraduates of American colleges. Prizes of \$300, \$150, and \$50 are offered for the best essay on the subject of investment banking. There are no restrictions as to the scope and method of the papers submitted. Competitors may treat the subject in general or concentrate on some special phase. Papers may deal with the economic or social factors involved, present proposals for changes in the technique of the business, or consider aspects of the regulatory measures of recent years.

Papers and inquiries should be sent to the Educational Director, Investment Bankers Association of America, 33 South Clark Street, Chicago. Entrants should submit with papers evidence of their eligibility for the competition, based on residence in the school year 1938-39. Announcement of the awards will be made on or about October 1.

Bishop Quinn Will Render Confirmation At St. Thomas Chapel

Bishop Quinn, of Houston, will perform the confirmation service at the College Station Episcopal Church, St. Thomas Chapel, this Sunday at 11 a. m.

Sunday afternoon at 3:30 there will be a reception for the Bishop.



General Knox, Other Officers, Will Visit Here To Address R. O. A. Sunday

This Sunday officers of the Army on duty with the Texas Reserve Officers Corps are scheduled to lunch and meet with the Brazos County Reserve Officers Association and with seniors of A. & M. Brigadier General Henry Knox, Adjutant General of the State of Texas, is to be the principal speaker of the day.

Colonel C. L. Mitchell, Chief of Staff of the First Military Area, and Captain C. M. Florer, recently elected president of the Texas Reserve Officers Association, will make short addresses.

Seniors in the various military branches here at A. & M. will have as their guest one of the officers visiting the campus for lunch Sunday. The officers will be presented to the seniors during lunch and during a short business meeting which is to follow in the banquet room of the mess hall.

Captain Florer will present a saber to the outstanding cadet officer of A. & M. in the course of events Sunday.

SOPHS OBTAIN REDUCTIONS ON JUNIOR UNIFORM

A reduction in prices on junior uniforms for next year has been obtained by Jack Bailey, president of the sophomore class, it was learned yesterday. He has agreements from several companies, and no matter who the uniform is purchased from, the same reduction will be given.

The reduction ranges from 10% up, and the uniforms are to be bought in lots of 25. All sophomores who wish to participate in this plan should see Bailey soon.

Air Corps Increase Offers Aggies Excellent Aviation Opportunities

Fish-Eating Craze Spreads — Soph Gobbles 17 Live Frogs To Win \$1 Bet

The goldfish derby, begun several months ago in some of our more exclusive eastern colleges, has evidently reached the campus of A. & M.

It all began early this Spring, when a student of Harvard perhaps under the spell of the sea-fog song, "Hold Tight", gobbled several goldfish. This action was taken as a direct challenge by students of other colleges, who replied by holding regular contests, entrants sometimes devouring all the goldfish in the surrounding counties.

Members of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, hoping to preserve the species for posterity, managed finally to divert the interest of such participants. Kissing derbies, much more popular with the majority of males, replaced fish-gobbling.

Unable to find the raw materials necessary for a co-ed kissing contest, students at Aggieland have resorted to the former pastime. First, Fish Reich, the pride and joy of "H" Infantry, swallowed two live crayfish.

The latest victim of the craze is Pat Rose, Cavalry soph, who recently swallowed seventeen live baby frogs. This performance was motivated by a dollar bet—not by any real appetite for the frogs. The original bet called for 20 frogs, but only 17 were available. Nevertheless, Pat collected the dollar, as witnesses Paul Haines, Bill Aiken, Will Dickerson, and Keith Hubbard will testify.

SAM HARRIS WINS CAVALRY TROPHY

On May 21, Sam E. Harris will be awarded the 311th Cavalry Regiment Horsemanship Trophy by Colonel Homer E. Carrioco, commanding officer of the 311th Cavalry Reserve Regiment at Dallas.

Fifteen Cavalry seniors entered the competition, which was held in three elimination phases. Six contestants were left after the first phase and these completed the tests. Harris placed first, E. R. Campbell second, and F. M. Potts third.

Harris will have his name inscribed on a plaque kept in possession of the college, as well as receive his individual award.

Ex-4-H Club Members Association Elects Next Year's Officers

James Grote was elected next year's president of the Ex-4-H Club Members Association of A. & M., at a business meeting of the Association Monday night.

Other officers elected include Walton Lehmburg, vice-president; Walter Britten, secretary-treasurer; and Jack McGarr, reporter.

CLASS OF '39 TO BE HONORED AT EXES' PICNIC

Size of the A. & M. teaching staff and graduating class will be shown when between 800 and one thousand men sit together in front of the Administration Building next Tuesday evening for the First Annual Harvest Picnic, given by the Association of Former Students. The affair will last from 5:30 to 7 p. m. and a picnic dinner will be served.

The stag party will celebrate the completion of a year's work, with students and their teachers as honor guests of the Ex-Students' organization. A very short program will be under the direction of Mr. C. L. Babcock, '18, of Beaumont, Association President. It is the hope of the Association that the event will present an opportunity for social contact and visiting between the teaching staff and the men completing their college work this year.

WALTON HONORS ALL EDITORS WITH BANQUET

Tuesday evening President and Mrs. T. O. Walton gave a banquet honoring the incoming and outgoing editors of all student publications, in the Board of Directors dining room of the mess hall.

Present as the guests of honor were R. L. Doss, editor-in-chief of The Battalion this session; Bill Murray, Battalion editor-elect for next year; Warren D. Barton, editor of this year's Longhorn; George W. Smith, editor-elect of the Longhorn; Sam Harris and Buddy Mandell, agricultural and engineering editors of the Scientific Review this year; and D. B. "Woody" Varner and Ernie Meynard, agricultural and engineering editors of the Scientific Review for next year.

Also present, besides Dr. and Mrs. Walton, were Colonel Ike Ashburn, executive assistant to the president; Manager of Student Publication E. L. Angell and Mrs. Angell; and Publicity Director G. B. and Mrs. Winstead.

There was no speech-making at the banquet. President Walton congratulated the publications editors for their work during the past year, and wished all incoming editors good luck, declaring his offer of cooperation in any way possible, in the future as in the past.

Said Dr. Walton, "The publications of the students at A. & M. have this year been a great credit and a source of pride to this institution and student body; and I hope and believe that they will continue to be."

T. F. LELAND, HEAD OF THE Department of Accounting and Statistics, Saturday was honored at a luncheon of Beta Alpha Psi, honorary fraternity in accounting at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel in Austin, when he was made a member of that society.

U. S. To Train 3,000 Men a Year

Any Man Who Has Had Two Years of College May Apply for Training

Excellent opportunities for Aggies and all young men interested in aviation are now being offered by the War Department in connection with its recently authorized program for expansion of the Air Corps. For the first time, a flying cadet has the chance to make the Regular Army a career, and the Army wants flying cadets.

It is contemplated that a new class of approximately 370 cadets will enter training every six weeks, in order to increase the number of flying cadets to be trained during the coming year. Now is the time to make application for classes starting July 1.

The passage by Congress of a recent bill has made possible the increase of strength of the Army Air Corps to between 5,500 and 6,000 airplanes by July 1, 1941. In order to meet the need of trained pilots for this increase in airplanes, the Government will accept approximately 3,000 flying cadets to be trained at Government schools each year for the next two or three years.

In order that the production of trained personnel may not lag behind the procurement of aircraft, Army agencies are making strenuous efforts to increase the list of acceptable applicants for the Air Corps training center in order that they may start training immediately.

Candidates for appointment must be unmarried, over 20 and less than 27 years of age. Those who have not satisfactorily completed at least two years of standard college work may qualify by passing a written educational examination, which is the equivalent thereof.

All qualified candidates are placed on a waiting list with a view to assignment to the first class in which they may be accommodated. Flying cadets are furnished government transportation from their place of enlistment to the school. They receive pay at the rate of (Continued on page 4)

Glee Club Elects Next Officers, At Woolkets' Banquet

K. M. Kurts of College Station was elected president of the Aggie Glee Club at the banquet given annually for members of the organizations by Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Woolket last Thursday evening at their home in College Park.

Other officers elected for the 1939-40 term were W. H. Magill of Dallas, vice-president; C. W. Zahn of Dallas, business manager; G. C. Baughn of Dallas, publicity manager; and H. I. Smith of Throckmorton, librarian.

Other officers elected for the awarded emblems, following the dinner; and old members received sweaters. The song, "March of the Musketeers" was selected as the official Glee Club song.

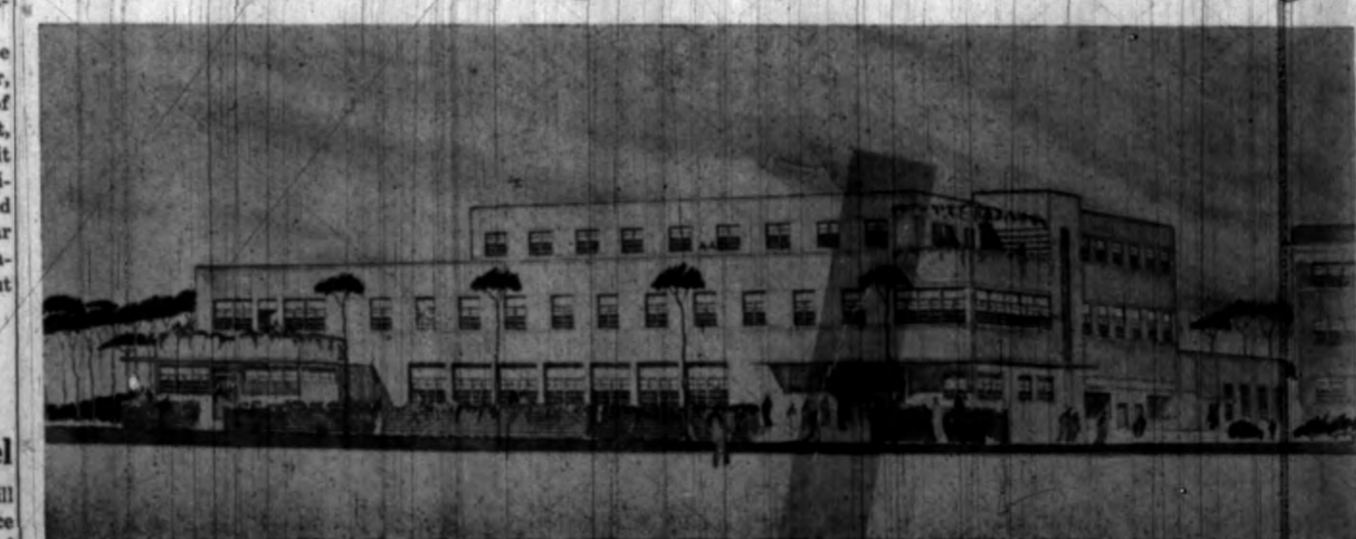
Professor Woolket, director of the Glee Club, wishes that members of the student body would offer suggestions for new numbers for the group to present. These may be turned in at room 310, Petroleum Building.

Summer Battalion May Be Published

A weekly newspaper to be called "The Summer Battalion" will be issued during the summer session, according to E. L. Angell, head of Student Publications, provided a sufficiently large staff can be found to publish it.

Editor-elect Bill Murray will be here during the summer, and all students who are interested in working on the publication should see either him or Angell in the next few days, in order that plans can be completed and a staff formed.

Architect's Sketch of Proposed New Y. M. C. A. Building



Above is the architect's sketch of the proposed new \$300,000 Y. M. C. A. building here, a structure which will include a 4,000-square-foot ballroom as well as clubrooms and recreational facilities. Submitted by Antonio Mate, senior architectural student from Mexico City, these plans were adopted in competition with those of other A. & M. architectural students. Col. Ike Ashburn, executive assistant to the president, is in charge of a committee to raise funds for the new building.