

BOTH AGGIES!

Here's one that really has a fish in the palm of his hand. Bill "Big Dog" Dawson, Aggie football star, is seen supporting "Fish" Claude "Squeaky" Wallace, 17-year-old "H" Infantry freshman from San Antonio enrolled for chemical engineering. Compare (or rather, contrast) the dimensions of the two: "Big Dog"—height, 6 feet, 5 inches; weight, 225 pounds. Fish Wallace—height, 4 feet, 8 inches; weight, 89 pounds.

## Pint-Size Freshman From Santone Is Smallest Aggie In a Generation

The smallest Aggie of them all, at least the present generation, is Fish Claude Wallace of "H" Infantry. Although he lacks a couple of inches of being tall enough to carry a rifle, Fish Wallace is allowed to live with the company by special permission of the military department.

Probably the smallest cadet ever to wear the khaki of A. & M., Fish Wallace stands a good four feet and eight inches in height and strains the scales at eighty-nine pounds, but in reality his age is seventeen; in fact, he will be eighteen sometime during the month of October.

Fish Wallace hails from San Antonio, having graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School there last year, but he claims Mason as his adopted home, and spends most of his summers there.

All of Fish Wallace's family (he has four sisters) are normal in size, his father being above average height, and, so far as he knows, he is the only "shrimp" in his family tree. He maintains, however, that he has no desire to be any taller, and believes that his size will not handicap him in his chosen career of Chemical Engineer.

## New Officers In M. S. Dept. Were Scattered

New officers in the Military Department this year come from as widely separated places as the members of the Cadet Corps.

Major Albert G. Wing has come from the 18th Infantry at Fort Hamilton, N. Y., to fill the vacancy left by Major Orr.

Major Horace McP. Woodward, Jr., of the Chemical Warfare Service came from the Hawaiian Department, to replace Major Rice.

Major Edwin M. Burnett was stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., before coming here to replace Captain Roberts.

Major Osgood G. McIntyre came from the Fifth Field Artillery stationed at Madison Barracks, N. Y. He replaces Captain Garrison.

Captain Thomas A. Adcock of the Corps of Engineers was on Rivers and Harbors duty at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., before his assignment to A. & M. to replace Major Drinkwater.

## Horned Frogs To Play 'South American Way'

The Horned Frog Band of T. C. U. will feature a new arrangement of "The South American Way" at the game here October 21, according to "The Skiff", student newspaper. The new arrangement was written by George Campbell.

"The band is taking it easy this week after the trip to California and is concentrating on classical music," says Director Don Gillis.

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## Lounge To Be Ready By Thanksgiving

### New Rooms In Kiest Hall Will Serve A Long-Felt Need Here

It is hoped that the lounge rooms in the new Kiest Hall will be ready for service by Thanksgiving, Dean T. D. Brooks, member of the Y.M.C.A. Committee said today. The delay in the furnishing of the rooms, which has attracted some comment, is a result of the committee's endeavor to find suitable furnishings. The committee felt it advisable to consult interior decorators before making any arrangements for furnishings, and this could not be done until the hall had reached a nearly completed condition. In addition to a contribution of \$1,000 to meet the cost of the change in plans by which parlors were provided, Mr. Kiest has made another contribution to be used to supplement furnishings provided by the Y. M. C. A. for the lounge. Mrs. Walton has been asked by Mr. Kiest to expend this donation.

The completion of these guest rooms will alleviate an unfortunate condition on this campus, which has been recognized several years. The ladies lounge in the Y building was not adequate to meet the demands made upon it, and because of its location, was not easily accessible. The new section in Kiest Hall, which consists of a large lounge 22 by 44 feet, a smaller one 22 by 22 feet, a powder room, wash room, and two offices, will greatly help the students to make the say of their guests on the campus a more en-

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## Approximately 1,100 Working On Student Labor

The Student Labor office announces that at the present there are approximately 1,100 students working this term. This is eighteen per cent of the enrollment at the present.

Of this number about 550 are on the N. Y. A. and the remainder are on departmental or the college payrolls. Mr. Simpson stated that the extra jobs created by the increased enrollment were more than offset by additional applications for jobs.

A. & M. received the largest N. Y.A. appropriation of any major school in the nation this year. This was due to the increase in enrollment last year over previous years.

## RADIATION EQUIPMENT READY FOR TESTING; HOT WATER WILL BE INSTALLED BY NOVEMBER 5

"I can assure you that everything in our power is being done to speed the shipment and installation of equipment for the power plant which is necessary before hot water can be provided," stated Dr. T. O. Walton yesterday, during an interview concerning the heat and water situation here.

The radiation equipment for the regulation of heat in the dormitories has been installed and will be ready for testing within the next few days, according to Dr. Walton, so the cadets will not suffer from the cold in case of a lowering temperature.

"All I can request of you is that you be patient," said Dr. Walton. "After all, it was not many years ago when the students here had to chop their own stovewood and build their own fires, as well as carry water upstairs in a bucket. They took a bath on Saturday night in a tin washtub, or something of the sort."

The equipment for the power

## Juniors Make Plans for Pre-Corps Trip Dance

### Representative From T. S. C. W. Will Explain Plans for the Function

The junior class will meet Wednesday night at 7:15 to discuss the coming pre-corps trip dance being given for A. & M. juniors by third year students of T. S. C. W. Naomi Boutwell, president of the junior class of T. S. C. W. will be here to explain to Aggies plans for the joint function.

Ele Baggett, junior class president, visited the T. S. C. W. campus this past week-end and returned with the announcement that the entire lower part of Stoddard Hall, senior dormitory, will be turned over to Aggies. The first 140 Aggies to arrive in Denton will be furnished accommodations in Stoddard. Others will be forced to find lodgings elsewhere.

One important change in plans for this year's function over that held last year is that a steak dinner, very informal, will replace the banquet.

The dance will necessarily be divided as it will be impossible to accommodate the entire group in one place. Although Aggies must attend the dance, serge shirts instead of blouses may be worn.

All A. & M. juniors planning on making the trip must register by Friday night. Those students living in the old dormitories should register with Paul Haines and those living in the new dormitories should register with Jeff Montgomery.

## 481 STUDENTS MORE THAN LAST YEAR REGISTERED

Total registration figures for the first semester of the current year have been compiled by the Registrar's office and show an increase of 8.6% over last year.

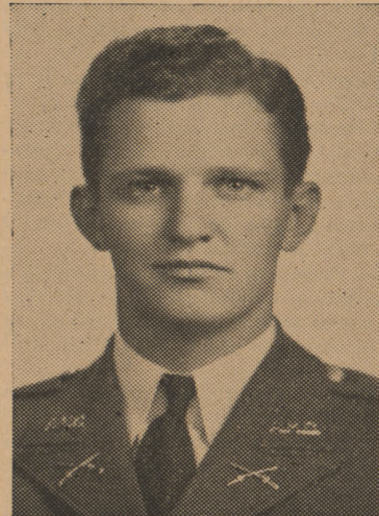
The total enrollment is 6,063 students which is 481 more than the enrollment at this time last year. Of these 6,063 students, 199 are graduate students and fifth year men. This means that these men are taking five year courses and not men who are here the fifth year completing a four year course. There are 957 seniors; 1124 juniors; 1623 sophomores; 2103 freshmen; 8 special students.

By schools the students are grouped in this manner. The School of Agriculture boasts 1975 students, the Engineering school contains 2962 boys, the School of Arts and Sciences has an enrollment of 541, the School of Veterinary Medicine has 386 students, and the Graduate School has 199.

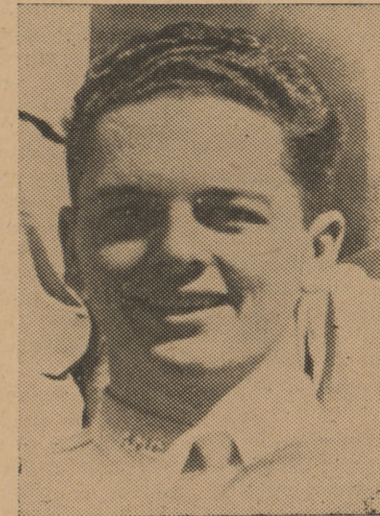
Registration is officially over and these figures may be taken as correct although a few graduate students may yet sign up to work on their thesis.

## No Quizzes Will Be Given Seniors And Juniors Who Make Tyler Trip

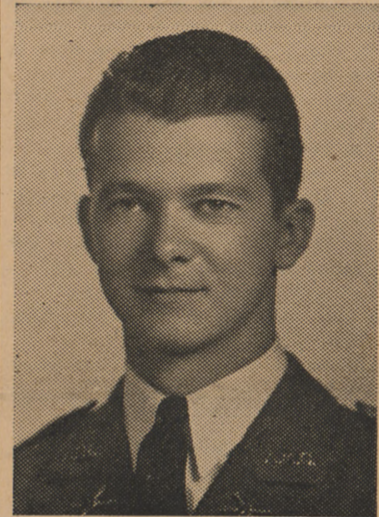
### Junior Class Officers



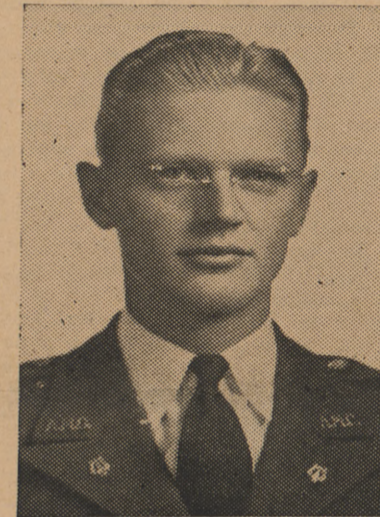
Ele Baggett, junior of Company B Infantry, who was elected president of the junior class for 1939-40.



Tom Richey, of Troop C Cavalry, elected vice-president, at the junior meeting last Thursday night.



I. B. Stitt, of Battery B Coast Artillery, elected secretary-treasurer of the class of '41.



J. F. (Jeff) Clarke of the Infantry Band, elected historian of the class at the meeting Thursday.

## Commandant Explains Rules Governing Use Of Automobiles

Some confusion has resulted from the interpretation of the regulations concerning the use of student-owned automobiles. Attention is called to Section II, paragraph 27, of the College Regulations. "During the regular session no student shall have in his possession any motor vehicle kept on or near the campus or in any adjacent town, which has not been registered with the Commandant. Such motor vehicle belonging to an undergraduate dormitory student must be stored off the campus and may be used only when on pass."

The phrase, "on pass", does not mean that a student who wishes to use his automobile must get a pass through the Commandant's Office in order to comply with the regulation. Automobiles may be used at the times mentioned in the section of the College Regulations dealing with privileges. For example, juniors in good standing may visit on or off the campus after their last class until taps, and may absent themselves

## F.F.A. Chapter Holds First Meet of Term

The initial meeting this semester of the junior chapter of the Future Farmers of America was held last Thursday night, and officers for the current year were elected. C. F. Thompson was elected president; J. C. Dooley, vice-president; R. Bing, secretary; M. Wilkinson, treasurer; W. W. Doming, reporter; J. J. Pustejovsky, parliamentarian; L. C. Adkins, historian; and J. E. McAnelly was chosen "watchdog".

After discussion, it was decided that the regular meeting time for the chapter would be the first and third Thursday nights in each month. Other business disposed of at this meeting was the appointment of a "Program for Work Committee".

## Sophs and Fish Must Have Authorized Pass

There will be hundreds of juniors and seniors on the way to Tyler this coming Saturday morning. Although the faculty refused to give the junior and senior classes excused or authorized absences Dean Bolton has promised that there will be no quizzes given Saturday morning in any of the junior and senior classes, and, if by any chance there is a quiz given, the students will be allowed a chance to make it up. This will considerably relieve many boys who were planning to go on the trip and cut classes Saturday morning.

Juniors and seniors can leave Friday after their last class without getting a pass through the Commandant's Office. However, this does not in any way affect sophomores and freshmen, who must get their passes as the regulations provide.

The high spot of the seventh annual Rose Festival for the Aggies will, of course, be the game between the Texas Aggies and the Villanova Wildcats which is slated to start at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The 214-piece Aggie band will put on a program between the halves. There will be a dance honoring the visiting teams Saturday night at the Mayfair Club with the Aggeland Orchestra furnishing the music.

The Southern Pacific Lines will run a special train to Tyler which will leave at 1:42 a. m. Saturday and arrive in Tyler between 7:45 and 8:00 a. m. The special will leave Tyler on the return trip at 1:30 Sunday morning and arrive here around 6:30 a. m. Sunday.

Students who wish to stay in Tyler longer than that may return on a later train. Tickets for the round trip are \$2.65.

## Gilchrist Attends State Highway Meet

Gibb Gilchrist, Dean of the School of Engineering, left College Station to attend a special meeting on highway design policies in Washington, D. C. in connection with the American Association of State Highway Officials, Wednesday.

While in Washington, Dean Gilchrist will attend to other matters of importance to the college as well as attending the committee meeting. He will return Tuesday.

## "Athenia" Passenger Anne Moore Tells of Torpedoing

Editor's note: This is the second in a series of three articles concerning the recent European tour of Miss Anne Moore and her subsequent starting back to the United States aboard the ill-fated British steamer Athenia. Originally announced as a series of two articles, the number has been increased due to interest shown by Battalion readers. The concluding article will appear in Thursday's Battalion.

It was the morning of September first that the party of 19 Americans, of which Miss Moore was a member, boarded the Athenia. Including the crew, 1,400 persons set sail on the British steamer—more than twice its usual load.

And an unusual ship it was. Literally "blacked-out," all port holes were painted black, and the windows of all lounges were boarded over. No wireless messages were sent from the vessel in order to prevent possible enemy ships or submarines from locating their position, and at night no one was even allowed to light a cigarette on deck. The Athenia was taking no chances; she was far off her regular course and was not on any regular trade route. Ziz-zagging across the Atlantic, the Athenia was a veritable ghost ship.

The vessel sailed from Glasgow, Scotland, and touched briefly at Ireland. Then to Liverpool, where

nearly sixty Czechs were taken on board, none of whom could speak English. On the afternoon of September second the Athenia left Liverpool bound for Montreal.

It was the following evening, September third, the vessel was about 200 miles off the English shore; the time was twenty minutes to eight; Miss Moore and her party were in the dining room; as a matter of fact, they were just about to receive dessert—plum pudding to be exact—and then it happened.

"I can't describe the awful thing," Miss Moore said. "It was a tremendous shock, there was a terrific din, the lights went out, and as the dining room was five decks below the boat deck, the ensuing pitch-darkness made it impossible to see your hand in front of you."

The Athenia immediately keeled over to nearly a forty-five degree angle, women started screaming, and ship's officers could be heard trying to quiet the passengers, but to little avail. Miss Moore succeeded in locating a friend and the two girls, hand-in-hand to prevent losing each other, climbed over chairs and tables and were fortunate enough to locate the stairs. An occasional match furnished their only light but they finally reached

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