

Annual Elephant
Walk To Be Held
Thursday Morning

The Battalion

Bonfire and Dance
Scheduled For
Wednesday Night

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Aggieland Set For Thanksgiving Festivities

Facilities Arranged For Crowd

Both Mess Halls
Will Be Open For
Visitors Thursday

The first sell-out crowd ever to witness a game on Kyle Field and one of the largest in the history of the Southwest Conference will be on hand Thursday for the forty-sixth renewal of the annual battle between the Texas Aggies, unbeaten and untied this year, and the Texas University Longhorns, who have had their most successful season since they won their last championship back in 1930.

All of the 38,336 seats, 5,000 more than the normal capacity of the stadium, have been sold, and no more tickets will be available, according to E. W. Hooker, secretary of the Athletic Department.

With limited facilities for caring for such an overflow of humanity on the campus, certain difficulties are bound to arise. Some of the problems which will be confronted by visitors here are crowded streets and highways, limited eating facilities, limited parking space and lack of proper facilities for the orientation of the thousands of visitors who are unfamiliar with the campus.

To cope with these and other inconveniences, several rules and regulations were adopted by a committee formed for the purpose, which met in Col. Ike Ashburn's office Thursday.

To help keep the traffic situation from getting out of hand, Colonel Moore has requested that all College Station residents who own automobiles to refrain from driving them on Thursday, except in cases of emergency. In addition, approximately seventy A. & M. students have been appointed temporary military police to direct the heaviest traffic at strategic points.

To help solve the parking problem, there will be four large parking spaces: the drill field, the area just west of Law Hall, the area between Kyle Field and the project houses, and the area south of the new mess hall.

Lunch will be served to visitors in both dining halls on Thursday, beginning at eleven o'clock, with a charge of 35¢ per person. In addition, two or more lunch stands will be set up and operated by students under the supervision of O. R. Simpson. Kegs of drinking water will be distributed over the campus for the convenience of

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Vanity Fair Pictures Must Be In By Jan. 1

Senior Favorites To
Be In At Same Time; All
Must Be On Glossy Finish

Costs and specifications for pictures to appear in the Senior Favorites and Vanity Fair sections of the 1940 Longhorn were announced today by Mick Williams, who is in charge.

Entries for the Senior Favorites section must be a glossy finished 5x7 photograph of bust length without hat and without by-line. The cost for printing will be \$1.50. Vanity Fair entries may be either an 8x10 bust length or 8x10 full length standing photograph. Both types must be made in formal clothing and gloss finished. The printing cost will be \$3.50.

All entries for both sections with amount required for printing must be turned in by January 1 to Williams at 98 Law.

Dormitories To Be Dedicated Thursday Morning



Jesse Holman Jones



Governor W. Lee O'Daniel



At the top are shown A. & M.'s twelve new dormitories and mess hall which are to be dedicated Thursday morning.

At left is Jesse H. Jones, of Houston, chairman of the U. S. government's lending agencies, to whom the game Thursday afternoon is dedicated. Above, W. Lee O'Daniel, governor of Texas, who on his second trip to the A. & M. campus will accept the dormitories in behalf of the State of Texas.

O'Daniel Will Accept New Dormitories In Behalf Of State At Dedication Ceremonies Here Thursday

Dedication of perhaps the largest number of college buildings at a single ceremony which ever took place in this country will be held Thursday morning at 10:30 on the new campus preceding the annual football classic between Texas A. & M. and the University of Texas. A total of fifteen buildings will be dedicated and officially named.

President T. O. Walton will preside as master of ceremonies, and music will be furnished by the Aggie Band.

The dedicatory address will be given by F. M. Law, president of the Board of Directors, and W. Lee O'Daniel, Governor of Texas, will accept the twelve new dormitories on behalf of the state of Texas.

Homer P. Rainey, president of the University of Texas, will introduce the honoree of the occasion, the honorable Jesse H. Jones of Houston, to whom the Aggie-Longhorn football game has been dedicated.

The new buildings will be officially named as follows: 1. D. W. Spence, former dean of engineering; 2. Edwin J. Kiest, member

of the Board of Directors; 3. Charles P. Fountain, former head of the English department; 4. Robert W. Briggs, member of the

Let's Show Visitors The True "Spirit Of Aggieland" Thursday, Say Leaders

An Editorial Expression

Thanksgiving Day will bring to our campus the largest crowd of visitors ever to honor the Aggies with their presence here. People are coming from near and far for two reasons: first, to witness our football team in action; and second, to visit our campus and get a close-up of our cadet corps. Never during the history of the college has there been such an opportunity to impress upon the people of Texas and neighboring states the genuine hospitality, greatness and worth of our school and our student body.

Our facilities will, quite naturally, be overtaxed in trying to accommodate this huge gathering, but that gives us an even greater opportunity to help and to serve our visitors and to show them the "Spirit of Aggieland."

We, as students, fail to realize fully the impression visitors form of our courtesy or lack of it; so let's do everything

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Many Events Are On Schedule For Days Preceding Holiday

Freshman Game, Bonfire And Dance
On Wednesday; Dedication Of New
Dorms, Varsity Game On Thursday

Probably the busiest and most history-making day-and-a-half ever seen on the campus will begin here on Wednesday afternoon and will close late Thursday night as the last of the 6,000 students leave for their respective destinations.

The Aggie Fish and the Texas University Shorthorns, freshman teams of the two schools, will begin the Thanksgiving program Wednesday afternoon, in a preview of the varsity clash to follow the next afternoon. The fray will take place on Kyle Field if the weather is dry.

Wednesday night after supper, the annual bonfire rituals will be held. The largest bonfire ever built here, one on which the 2,000 freshmen have been laboring for over a week, will be set off, and in its glow the last regular yell practice of the year will take place. Coach Norton will introduce the seniors who are to play their last game for A. & M. on Kyle Field the next day. Other members of the team will also be introduced, and each of them will say, in a few words, exactly what he intends to do to Texas University on the following afternoon.

Following the bonfire, cadets and their dates, as well as visiting students from the University, will attend the Bonfire Dance, which begins at 9 p. m. Tommy Littlejohn and his Aggieland Orchestra will play for the occasion.

On Thursday morning at nine o'clock, one of the oldest traditions of A. & M., the Elephant Walk, will take place. It will extend from the Y. M. C. A. along Military Walk to the old mess hall and back, as in former years. The seniors, boots and spurs on, shirt-tails out, will march in single file, in a twisting line which portrays the last journey of an old or wounded elephant, that realizes he is of no further use to younger members of

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TWO DANCES ON SCHEDULE FOR AGGIES, VISITORS

Tommy Littlejohn To
Play For Bonfire Dance
And Thanksgiving Prom

Gala Thanksgiving holiday spirit will reign at the colorful Bonfire Dance to be held in Sbis Hall Wednesday night and the Thanksgiving Prom Thursday night. Mingled with the cadets will be thousands of visitors—University of Texas students and coeds, returning ex-students, and hundreds of others here for the classic Aggie-Longhorn tilt. Gay football crowds and spirit of the Thanksgiving holidays will make these functions by far the most colorful of the fall dance season.

The Bonfire Dance will be held Wednesday night following the bonfire and will last from ten to one o'clock. The Thanksgiving Prom will be Thursday night from nine till twelve.

Tommie Littlejohn and his Aggieland Orchestra will be featured on both occasions, playing swing music in the same manner that has been so pleasing in the past. In addition the new hit song by Jack Littlejohn, "I'd Rather Be A Texas Aggie," which has proved a dis-

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NORTON, TEAM WILL SPEAK AT TRADITIONAL BONFIRE WED. NIGHT

Following the last regular yell practice of the season on the Y steps Wednesday night, the largest bonfire in the history of A. & M. will be set off on the drill field where the fish have been working for 10 days.

Coach Homer Norton will address the corps, telling them what to expect on Kyle Field Thursday afternoon. After his own address, Coach Norton will introduce the eight seniors who will play their last game, as well as the other members of the squad. Each of these men will tell the corps just what he is going to do to the Longhorns the next day.

The seniors playing their last game Thursday are Joe Boyd, all-American tackle; Cotton Price, back; Herb Smith, end; Joe White, end; and Bill Audish, back, all of whom have lettered for the last two years; Bill Duncan, end, who lettered last year; Frank Wood, back; and Gus Bates, end.

Senior yell leaders Bodie Pierce and Bert Burns will make a last appeal to the cadet corps to support the team, though this will probably be unnecessary. Junior yell leaders Buster Keaton and Fools Bland will also take their turn on the stand, preparing for next year when they will take over the reins and lead the Aggie yells for a year.

As the huge bonfire becomes only a pile of embers, and the last yell dies away, the Aggies and their dates and guests will adjourn to the old mess hall for the annual Bonfire Dance.

Season Tickets Will Be Good For Symphony Concert

Contrary to a rumor now in circulation, the Houston Symphony Orchestra will appear at College Station under the auspices of Texas A. & M. Town Hall on December 12, and season tickets for the same will be honored. It is believed that the rumor is based on the fact that they could gain admission to mission prices was set up by the Student Activities Committee, which caused many people to think that they could gain admission to the performance only by paying at the door.

The prices will be as follows: For students, either of A. & M. or high schools, 50 cents; for adults attending the performance with a holder of a season ticket, \$1.00; for other single admissions, \$1.50. All who pay \$1.00 or \$1.50 will sit in the reserved seat section.

The reason for allowing season ticket holders to take guests for \$1.00 is that the management wishes to make a concession to those who have supported Town Hall from the beginning of the season, and who have guests they would like to have attend the concert.

Prices stated above are for the concert only and not for the rest of the year.