



Among the college graduates now enrolled as flying cadets at Randolph Field, "the West Point of the Air", at San Antonio, is Pelly Dittman, Aggie football star of last year, shown above in the backfield.

Aggie Among Former Football Stars Now at Randolph Field

"Time out" from flying airplanes to run through a few plays for Coach Field "Hurry-up" Yost, of Michigan, who visited Randolph Field, Texas, the Air Corps "West Point of the Air" recently. The galaxy of former college football stars, now flying cadets and future pilots for Uncle Sam's Air Corps, brought a sparkle to the veteran coach's eyes. Left to right in the forward wall are: Ed Huntington, former pass receiver at the University of Arizona; L. E. Behling, all-conference tackle at the University of Utah; Claude F. Evans, tackle at University of California when they defeated Alabama in the 1933 Rose Bowl classic; Paul E. Greiner, guard from Montana State College; Ed Cobb Jr., who understudied the mighty Ki Aldrich at

Deaf Mute Travels From Detroit To Houston On Bicycle To Ride Airplane

Edward Chatham of Detroit, Michigan, arrived in Bryan last Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock via bicycle and passed through College Station. Chatham said he had ridden the entire 3,828 miles en route from that northern city and is headed for Houston, where he expects to get relief from his affliction as a deaf mute. Doctors have told Chatham he might get relief at the sea-side atmospheric level and the contrasting atmospheric pressure he would get by soaring in an airplane to great height into rarer air, zooming suddenly to sea level. Chatham wants to hear and to take the airplane treatment at sea level. Being minus ample finances, he conceived the idea of riding from Detroit to Houston on a bicycle and "making his way" selling First-Aid

Noted A. & M. Graduate To Help Dallas Solve Its City Garbage Disposal Issue

A native Texan who applied himself at school and then went out into the world to put his ideas and training to practical use in some of the largest cities of the country now is helping Dallas solve its garbage disposal problem. And H. E. Burns, '06, the engineer and expert, hopes his plans will provide a permanent solution. Mr. Burns, has made garbage collection and disposal surveys for many cities. Topping his list of achievements so far were surveys and the designing of incinerators for Cincinnati, Chicago and New York City. Four years ago Mr. Burns designed two incinerators for New York City that are disposing of 1,000 tons of garbage daily. One of these plants is within a block of fashionable Riverside Drive and so efficiently does it operate that the nearby residents hardly know what it is. "Incinerators are like anything else," Mr. Burns said Saturday. "They can be efficient or they can be like the ones in Dallas that simply are burning pits that do a poor job. Where they are built properly, incinerators are the ideal answer to a garbage disposal problem." Dallas officials have agreed that an incinerator costing from \$200,000 to \$300,000 will be the tentative location made as soon as possible. Then, perhaps, funds can be found to erect the structure and eliminate much of the problem that arises here because of long hauls and most of all because of the smoke and odor that arises from the present North Dallas and South

Bandages. He sold a few in Bryan last week and then struck out for Houston, final lap of his tour. "I left Detroit three and a half months ago and have ridden my bicycle 3,828 miles to Bryan," Chatham wrote. "I hope to hear some day, then learn how to talk to other people like those I met along the way. I'm not in a hurry—I just take my time on the road. Now I only have a short 100 miles to Houston from here and feel better from far away north." Chatham is a youth, apparently about 22. He carries such baggage and supplies as needed strapped to the rear of the bicycle seat. His bicycle was "fully equipped" with headlights, tail lights, siren, even a floglight lamp. Aside from his admitted defective hearing he appeared to be in good health.

Friday, February 9 Set As Re-Registration Date

Registration To Be Finished On Monday, Feb. 12

Class Schedules To Be Issued By Registrar's Office Friday Afternoon Friday, February 9 has been definitely set as the official registration date for the second semester, according to an announcement made Wednesday by E. J. Howell, registrar. At this time all undergraduate students now enrolled at A. & M. and not included on the December 1st deficient list are due to register. Class schedules for the second semester will be issued by the Registrar's Office beginning Friday afternoon. On Monday, February 12, all graduate students, new students, and students who were included on the December deficient list and who have been given permission to reregister by their deans will register for the second semester. Estimates of the enrollment indicate that the total enrollment for the full year is expected to exceed 6,300 with 4,100 enrolling the first day of second semester registration. Formal class work for the first semester closes Thursday afternoon, February 1 at 5 p. m. and final examinations start Friday morning at 8 a. m. and last through Thursday afternoon, February 8. All grades are to be reported to the Registrar's Office before noon Friday, February 9 in order that grades may be recorded in the Registrar's Office and (Continued on page 4)

Baylor Twin Club Again To Be Host To Texas College Twins Convention

The Baylor University Twin Club is sponsoring again this year the Texas College Twins Convention, according to Lois and Louise Bailey, Baylor-coeds and presidents of the club. The twins are trying to get in touch with all twins attending A. & M. and are inviting them to attend the convention on the Baylor University campus April 5 and 6. A similar convention was held last year. "Baylor's host club this year is considerably larger than last year, and in the light of last year's convention experience, we look forward to a bigger and greater affair for 1940," the twins said. "We already are working on our program plans, and should be able to announce some definite things soon. Arrangements for meals and rooms for all twins attending have been made," they included in inviting all twins from A. & M. to attend. All twins attending A. & M. are requested by the twins to write the Baylor Twin Club as soon as possible, letting them know if they are interested in attending the affair this year.

U. S. Coast Guard Officer To Visit Here Feb. 13-14

M. A. Whalen, Ensign, U. S. Coast Guard, will arrive in College Station, on a tour through the colleges of the United States, in behalf of the U. S. Coast Guard, Tuesday night, February 13. He will present a movie and lecture on the Coast Guard, with particular reference to the Coast Guard Academy and the examination for entry, in the Assembly Hall on February 14. This examination is open to young men between the ages of seventeen and twenty-two years. The mental requirements are, in general, those necessary for admission to engineering colleges. The Coast Guard Academy is located at New London, Connecticut, where both an education and a career are offered to those who meet its high standards. The course of instruction is basically scientific and engineering in character. Annual cruises aboard modern cutters to European and South American ports give an opportunity to check classroom theories by practical seagoing experience. Anyone wishing further information regarding the Coast Guard Academy may secure it at room 101, Academy Building.

National Flower Show Tickets Put On Sale at A. & M.

Tickets for the National Flower Show in Houston went on sale Wednesday, January 24, at a reduced price of 45 cents, it has been announced by Mrs. L. L. Fouraker, chairman of the local flower show committee. It was explained that the price of 45 cents will remain in effect only so long as a limited number of advance-sale tickets lasts. After that, the regular gate price of 75 cents will go into effect. The flower show will be held February 28 through March 6. Advance ticket sales are being handled by organizations throughout Texas under the direction of Mrs. O. H. Carlisle, chairman of the woman's division of the flower show, with headquarters in the Lamar Hotel in Houston. C. Oliver Hoopes, landscape architect and installation chairman, announced that more than \$1,000,000 worth of flowers and flowering plants and trees will blanket a floor space of 72,000 square feet in the main auditorium of the Sam Houston Coliseum. A Holland-Dutch garden, replete with cottage, windmill and Dutch maids will form the central theme, with 25,000 tulips and hyacinths brought from Holland to give authenticity to the scene. Mr. Hoopes said that it is too early to give a comprehensive description of what the show will contain, but that early entries, which are reaching Houston from all over the country, include about 1,000 square feet of hydrangeas; a similar exhibit of cinerarias; about 500 square feet of gardenias; 1,000 square feet of roses of many kinds, including Polyantha and tea roses; 1,000 square feet of azaleas and camellias and several hundred square feet of orchids. Among other entries are an exotic Japanese tea garden and an elaborate rock garden. Extensive preparations are being made in Houston to welcome thousands of flower lovers and amateur gardeners from throughout the nation.

Two Hindu Students To Graduate Here

Among the candidates for master's degrees at A. & M. at mid-term are two students from India. Allahbachayo Kahn Fateh-khan Mir will receive his master's degree in horticulture, and Mortiram R. Thadani will receive his degree in economics. Kahn is from Sind, India. Boyd, Dallas, All-American football tackle, is another who will graduate on February 8, with a degree of bachelor of science in agricultural administration. Boyd is graduating ahead of his class contrary to the supposition that athletes are usually behind the class in their studies.

DRAMATIC CLUB TO BE FORMED HERE TONIGHT

Club Will Present Two Plays Second Semester All students interested in the formation of a student dramatic club at A. & M. for the production of around two plays during the second semester are being invited to meet tonight at 7:15 p. m. on the second floor of the library in the office of Dr. T. F. Mayo, librarian. The movement for the beginning of the club has been started by students alone, and Dr. Mayo offered his office as a meeting place after it was learned that no other library room would be available at that time. It is planned by those who are interested in the club's formation to have the activities directed by students and to invite faculty members and campus residents who are interested in dramatics to aid in the productions. All matters pertaining to organization, control, plays to be produced, and so on are to be in the hands of the students. A. & M. has been without a dramatic group here for several years, the last attempt being the College Little Theater, which was composed in large part of faculty members, and which merged with the Bryan Little Theater a few years ago. Professor C. O. Spriggs of the Department of English and Professor J. J. Woolkett of the Department of Modern Languages have been invited to attend tonight's meeting. While it is not expected that any serious work can be done until after the beginning of the second semester, tonight's meeting is expected to indicate the interest the student body has in restoring dramatic activities to the A. & M. campus.

NEW COURSE IN FISH AND GAME TO BE OFFERED

The Department of Fish and Game will offer a course in Pond and Stream Improvement this spring term, Dr. W. P. Taylor, department head, has announced. It is the purpose of the course to study plants and animals that have a bearing on the production of fish in farm ponds, tanks, and small recreational lakes. Methods of conducting stream surveys will be studied and put into practice. There will be a continuation of the cooperation of this department with the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission on the stream survey work in Kerr County so that members of the class may acquire actual experience in biological stream survey work. A rowboat and other equipment for studying aquatic life, recently acquired by the department, will facilitate class study of ponds in the vicinity of College Station.

NEW PHONE SYSTEM TO BE INSTALLED HERE

City Council Acts On Zoning Plan At Special Session

The City Council met Monday night in a special called session to act on the zoning ordinance and other items of business. Among other things accomplished at the meeting was the adoption of the ordinance recommended by the Zoning Commission in regard to the zoning of College Station with such changes as noted on the map and the wording of the ordinance. The purpose of the ordinance is to regulate and restrict the density of population, use of buildings, industry, and to promote the general welfare of College Station. Those making up the Zoning Commission are E. W. Steel, chairman; Ernest Langford, W. R. Horsley, V. M. Faires, and Guy Boyett. The council also let the contract for the city garbage collection for this year. Beginning shortly garbage will be collected twice each week by city employees.

Rhodes Elected Biology Club Head

J. C. Rhodes, veterinary medicine student from Kilgore, was elected president of the Biology Club Monday night. He succeeds R. M. Colquitt Jr., president of the club last year. Other officers elected were Robert S. Crawford, vice-president; G. D. Mackenzie, treasurer; and D. C. Thurman Jr., secretary. Outgoing officers are: Bill Murray, vice-president; A. W. Erck, treasurer; and Preston Dobyne, secretary. Dr. Charles LaMotte remains as counselor and Dr. C. C. Doak as advisor. The club has expressed pride on its record during the past year in which it bought and has completed payments on a sound motion picture projector. The club was able to earn money for buying the projector by presenting educational pictures at the Assembly Hall with the help of E. L. Angell, head of student activities. The projector will be rented to other clubs and departments on the campus and a member of the Biology Club will operate it.

MILITARY CHECKS TO BE ISSUED NEXT WEEK

Military commutation of subsistence payments for members of the first and second year advanced Reserve Officers Training Corps at A. & M. will, in all probability, be made during the early part of next week, according to an announcement made Wednesday by Colonel George F. Moore, Commandant and P. M. S. & T.

New \$200,000 Dial System To Connect Bryan And College

Intercepting Board To Be Installed; Work Will Be Finished Here June 1 Dial telephones will be installed at College Station and Bryan this year, according to an announcement made by M. C. Atkins, manager of the Southwest Telephone Company with district headquarters in Bryan. Work will be complete at College Station about June 1, Mr. Atkins said, and the system will be cut over about June 15. Work in Bryan will begin between July 15 and August 1 and the system here will be cut over about October 1. The cost of the new dial system will be approximately \$40,000 at College Station and \$160,000 in Bryan. At present there are forty dial telephones at College Station. In all there will be about 2,500 telephones to be changed in both places. The cost will run approximately \$30 for each. At present there are twenty trunk lines between Bryan and College Station. There will be twenty more built. Trunk lines will be built to serve College Hills Estates, College Park, Beverly Estates and North Oakwood Addition. All equipment is being purchased from the Automatic Electric Company, originators of the automatic system. Kellogg quiet dial telephones will be used. (Continued on page 4)

Film on "Money At Work" Shown Here

More than three hundred people came away from the lecture room in the Chemistry Building at A. & M. recently with a better understanding of banking and the gathering of news because of having seen the film, "Money at Work" and the talk of Henry Oliver, vice-president of the State National Bank of Houston. This film was sponsored by the Economics Club of the college. Roy Caldwell, president of the Economics Club, introduced John M. Lawrence Jr., vice-president and cashier of the City National Bank, of Bryan, who introduced the bank officers and employees and the speaker, Mr. Oliver. "Money at Work" is built around the newspaper business because it was found that the newspaper field presented the desired parallel because of the close kinship between the gathering and disseminating of news and the bringing together and investment of funds by the bank for the best interests of the community. The film opens in the New York office of the Associated Press in the Rockefeller Center and takes its audience through the scores of departments and facilities of the vast cooperative and non-profit organization with all of its world-wide ramifications in gathering and distributing news to the office of the treasurer. Here the audience is told in moving picture the story of how payments by banks are made, one by one (Continued on page 4)

"I'd Rather Be A Texas Aggie" Tops Aggie Hit Parade; Published in Sheet Music Form

By George Fuermann You've been waiting for it—now it's here: Jack Littlejohn's already popular song, "I'd Rather Be A Texas Aggie," has been published and is now on sale locally and will soon be available throughout the state. But it wasn't as simple as all that. There's an interesting story to relate in respect to the birth of Jack's latest song. The seed was planted last summer when Jack was hitch-hiking to Denver, Colorado. One of the men who gave him a ride was a former student and, before long, the conversation naturally turned to A. & M. "I'd rather be a Texas Aggie than a student of any other college in the world," the 'ex' declared—and his words 'stuck' in Jack's memory. The seed sprouted late in August when Jack had returned to his home in Tulsa. It was while Jack was miscellaneously improvising

at his piano one afternoon that the tune came into being. "I just ran into the tune accidentally," he said, "but it seemed to have possibilities so I put it on paper and then forgot about it." And he almost forgot about the song permanently too, but just before last October's Aggie-Baylor game, the Aggieband Orchestra decided to pay a musical tribute to A. & M.'s team at the corps dance that night. Jack was called upon to write the song and, as a result, out of the dust came the yet-untitled song which he had "run into accidentally" a few months earlier. And there's a story in itself about the writing of the words. While riding the bus to Fort Worth for the T. C. U. game Jack wrote the words on a paper napkin and several Aggies tried singing it. The arrangement written for the song's first playing at the Baylor corps dance was dedicated to

the A. & M. football team and, since that first playing, "I'd Rather Be A Texas Aggie" has been an almost unparalleled favorite with Aggies everywhere. So words and lyrics by Jack Littlejohn "I'd Rather Be A Texas Aggie" takes its rightful place among Aggieband's already well established songs: "The Spirit of Aggieband," "The Aggie War Hymn," and "There Shall Be No Regrets." And here are the words to the chorus: I'd rather be a Texas Aggie, A mean so and so. Than be from any other school, And rolling in dough. I'd rather be out on the highway, A-thumbin' a ride. Than have Miss Greta Garbo, For my blushing bride. (Continued on page 4)

\$200,000 Dormitory To Start at Baylor

WACO—President Pat M. Neff of Baylor University has announced that construction will begin immediately on a \$200,000 dormitory for women, the nucleus of which sum is the gift of friends of the university. The new structure will be four stories high and will accommodate 168 girls. The \$30,000 site was given to Baylor by the people of Waco. The building will be third girls' dormitory on the campus. Some 125 girls were refused admission to the dormitories last fall because of lack of space.