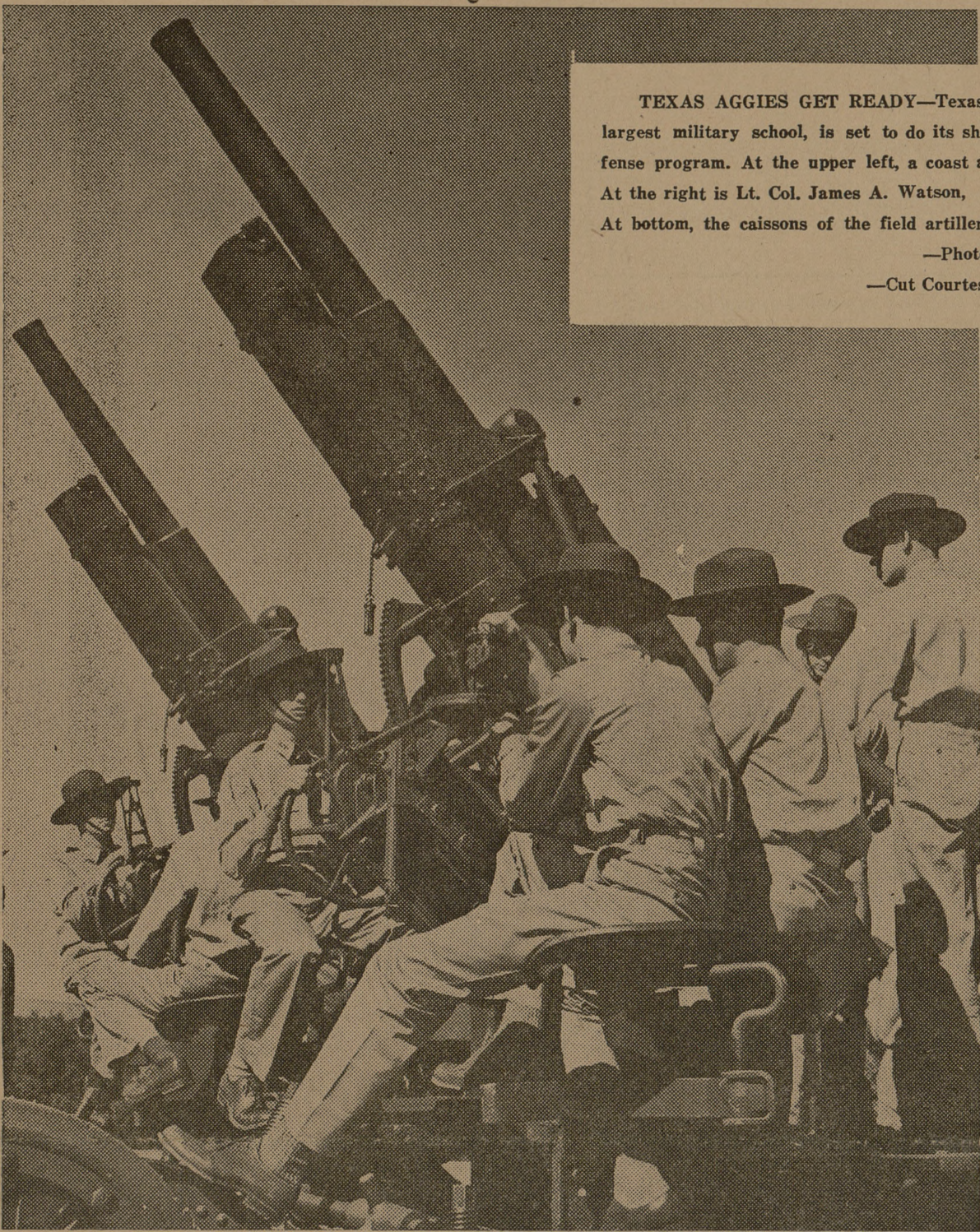


## A&M College Is Pushing National Defense Cooperation



TEXAS AGGIES GET READY—Texas A. & M., the world's largest military school, is set to do its share in the national defense program. At the upper left, a coast artillery unit is shown. At the right is Lt. Col. James A. Watson, popular commandant. At bottom, the caissons of the field artillery "go rolling along."

—Photos by Howard Berry  
—Cut Courtesy of the Houston Post



### \$18,000,000 Plant Trains US Officers

Details of A & M's Military Training Told in Houston Post

BY GEORGE FUERMANN  
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The facilities of the Texas A. & M. college are an integral part of the nation's current national defense program. The world's largest all-male military college, 4600 of its 22,000 graduates holding commissions in the United States Officers Reserve Corps, a physical plant valued at almost \$18,000,000 and an institution possessing seven branches of military training, the college is extending every resource to cooperate with and facilitate America's defense program.  
A land-grant college opened in 1876, A. & M. is Texas' oldest state supported institution. Since its birth, when the enrollment totaled 107, to 1940, with an enrollment of 6548, the college has required every student to take a  
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### Legal Clamps Halt Work On New Dormitories

Work on the proposed six new dormitories halted as a result of a legal misunderstanding with the state auditor. A meeting of the board of directors this coming Saturday will be primarily concerned with the situation.

Trouble arose several weeks ago when the state auditor was dissatisfied with the method in which the board was planning to handle the bond issue that is to help finance the new structures. This week's meeting will reconsider the plan and a hasty remedy for the situation will be sought.

Contracts for the new dorms were let soon after financial assistance from the R. F. C. of Washington was arranged for. Alfred C. Finn of Houston is the architect and the Bellows Construction Company is in charge of the actual construction. However, now that difficulties have arisen, Bellows has halted all work.

In the original contract it was planned that the dormitories would be completed and ready for occupancy by the beginning of the 1941 fall term.

It is not known whether the delay will cause construction to be behind schedule or not.

### 374 Seniors Make Junior ROA Application Here

Three hundred and seventy-four seniors in advanced military science have filed applications to become junior members of the Reserve Officers' Association, R. L. Elkins, president of the Brazos County chapter of the Reserve Officers' Association, announced today.

Last year 437 seniors were junior members, "The number of applications is smaller than the total of 437 last year," Elkins said, "but applications are still being taken." Seniors may pay the cost of membership at the table where they will receive their next commutation of subsistence. Application blanks may be received from Elkins, Room 302 Academic Building.

The regular dues of R. O. A., which are \$3 per year, have been suspended for all junior members, and a fee of 75 cents has been substituted to cover the cost of "The Reserve Officer," official publication of the organization. The magazine which is published in Washington, D. C. is issued each month.

### Saturday Afternoon Classes Are Scheduled to Make-Up for Early Leave

In order to make up classes that were missed as a result of the early dismissal for the Christmas holidays, the regular Monday morning schedule will be followed on the Saturday afternoons of January 11 and 25.

This information was issued from Dean F. C. Bolton's office late yesterday afternoon.

The official notice is herewith repeated:

"As was understood at the time classes were dismissed early for the Christmas holidays, the extra days missed are to be made up as follows:

"1. On Saturday afternoon, January 11, an extra Monday morning schedule will be operated; that is classes scheduled for 8 a.m. Monday will report at 1 p.m. Saturday. Those classes scheduled for 9 a.m. will report at 2 p.m., etc.  
"2. On Saturday afternoon, January 25, an extra Monday afternoon schedule will be operated.  
"3. The schedule for the first semester examinations will be

changed so that instead of the present schedule the examinations will begin at noon Saturday, February 1 and will continue until noon Saturday, February 8. A detailed schedule of the examinations and the procedure for registration for the second semester will be issued from the Registrar's office."

The examination schedule and details concerning next term's registration will appear in the next issue of the Battalion.

### Battalion Staff Holds Meeting Tonight at 7:00

A meeting of the editorial staff of The Battalion newspaper will be held in The Battalion office in room 122 Administration building at 7 o'clock tonight.

Purpose of the meeting will be to reorganize the editorial staff and to make plans for the rest of the current year.

It is imperative that all junior editors and junior staff members attend this meeting.

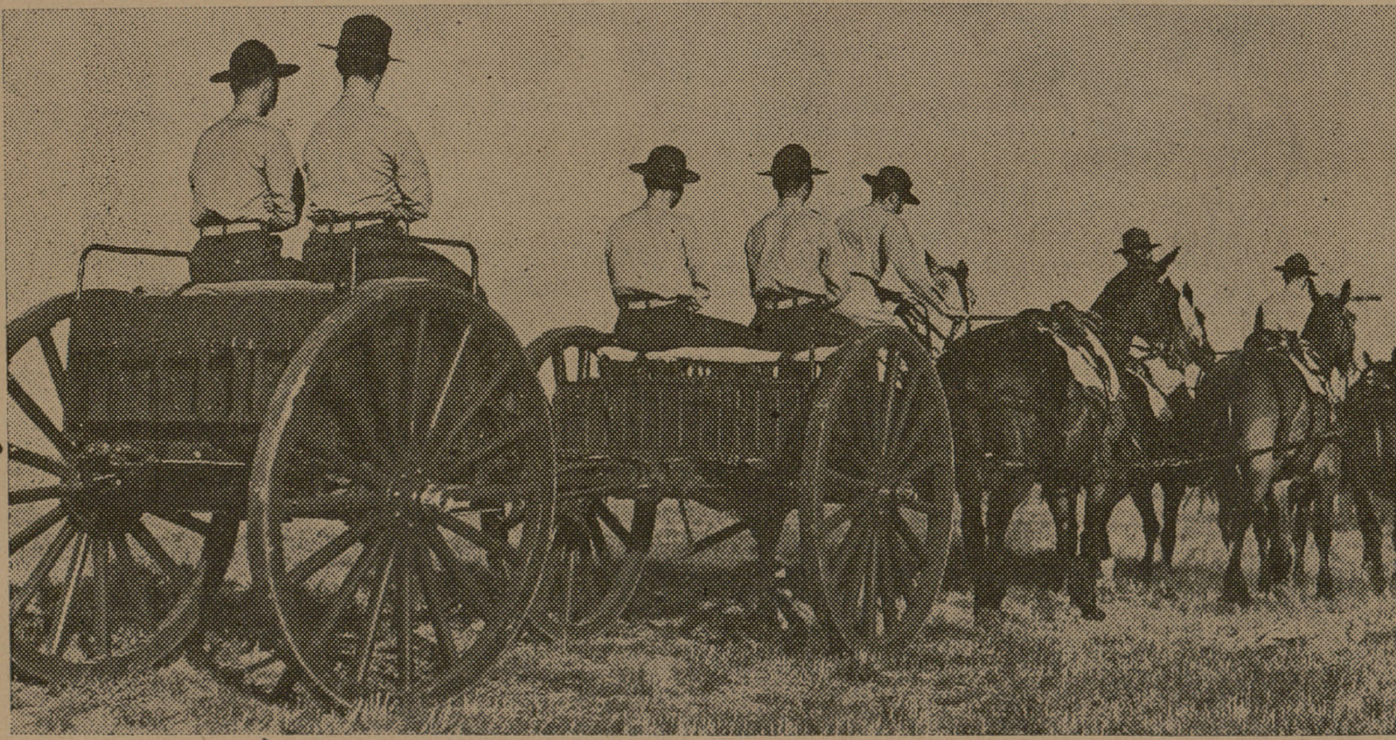
### First In History-- Eagle Pass Boys Organize Junior A & M Club

History was made recently in Eagle Pass when 12 future A. & M. students met and organized the first "A. & M. Junior Club" in the nation.

Gathered around the discussion table at the home of young Mebane Stafford where Charles Carson, Arthur Flores, Billy Howard, John Carson, Billy Williams, Reggie Bevan Jr., Billy George, Mebane Stafford, Jerry Grossenbacher, E. K. Taylor Jr., Bruce Thomson, and

After a statement of their aims and purposes, these young but fierce supporters of A. & M. elected Reggie Bevan Jr. for president, Mebane Stafford for vice-president, and Arthur Flores for secretary-treasurer.

The constitution adopted for the A. & M. Junior Club is as follows: "This club was formed for boys who will stick by A. & M. at all  
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### Economists Attend Meeting In New Orleans

Representatives from A. & M. composed one of the largest groups to attend the joint session of economics societies at New Orleans during the holidays.

Thirteen men from the college proper, Extension Service and the Experiment Station attended the joint session which was made up of the annual meetings of the American Economics Association, Southern Economics Association, American Farm Economics Association and the Econometric Society.

These annual meetings are held by representatives from the economics departments of the leading colleges, universities, state and federal research agencies, who assemble for the purpose of evaluating the previous years work in economics and to orient themselves for future work.

Men from A. & M. who participated  
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### \$50,000 AAA Building Goal Surpassed

College May Still Lose Building; Other Cities Bidding Strong

More than the \$50,000 needed for a fire-proof building to house the Agricultural Adjustment Administration offices at College Station has already been raised by the residents of College Station and Bryan, the committee which was in charge of the work has announced. The drive for funds started after the authorities of the A.A.A. notified the citizens of College Station and Bryan that the state offices would be moved if a large fire-proof building was not furnished by July 1, 1941. A committee was appointed from College Station and Bryan and they began canvassing both towns in an effort to raise this necessary amount to construct the building.

Even though the money is raised, it is not certain whether the offices will remain at College Station, because several other cities

of the state have made offers to the state committee to move the A.A.A. offices.

The lease on the building at College Station will expire July 1, 1941, and the new building would have to be ready by that time. The estimate of the cost of the building  
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### Jan. 11 Deadline For Longhorn Club Pics

Reservations for club pictures for the 1941 Longhorn must be in by Saturday, January 14, according to an announcement issued by Longhorn Managing Editor Morton Robinson yesterday. A deposit of five dollars must accompany each reservation in order to hold it.

The rate for pictures is \$25 for a full page or \$13 for a half page. The money should be turned in to the Student Publications Office in room 126, Administration Building or to Orville Allen or Boyd Ray in room 423, Dormitory No. 10.

### Appointment Of 4 Board Members Awaits Inaugural

Four vacancies on the board of directors are due to be filled following the inauguration of Governor W. Lee O'Daniel on January 20. These vacancies occur as a result of the expiration of the terms of President F. M. Law, vice-president Walter G. Lacy and Joe Utay this month and the death of Henry C. Schuhmacher last fall.

Law, who is president of the First National Bank of Houston, has served on the board for more than a quarter of a century, and during the past 16 years has been the board's president.

Utay is probably best known to the present group of students at A. & M. for his work in procuring  
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