

Junior Class Decides to Keep Boots for Next Year

Seniors Pushing Show Situation

Committee to Talk to Briggs In San Antonio

Progress is definitely being made; prospects look good.

Pushing the current motion picture situation, the senior class committee met Monday night with Ben S. Ferguson, owner of the local Campus Theater.

At the meeting Ferguson was told of the committee's recent trip to Dallas and its two fold findings there.

(For a complete story on this trip and its results, see The Battalion of Thursday, March 20.)

Previous to this the committee, composed of W. A. Becker, cadet Colonel; George Fuermann, Battalion associate editor and Benton Elliott, president of the Engineering Council, conferred with Col. Ike Ashburn, executive assistant to President T. O. Walton.

Committeemen reported two results from these conferences.

First, the committee will soon go to San Antonio with Ferguson to confer with Robert Briggs, member of the A. & M. board of directors and long interested in the strife between the cadet corps and the motion picture industry.

"I'm willing to arbitrate this thing through the arbitration board set up in Dallas by the Government Consent Decree," Ferguson said yesterday afternoon. "If that's what the corps wants—and it sounds to me like a good thing—that's what it'll get," Ferguson added.

"The committee is definitely making progress," Becker said, "and for the first time we feel encouraged that there is some possibility that this thing can be successfully worked out."

Committeemen added that college officials and showmen connected with both the local theaters were cooperating with the committee and the corps in the undertaking.

Committeemen further stated that additional information would be released through The Battalion as soon as it is advisable.

Dr. Gammon Will Speak at First Evening Seminar Monday, March 31

Dr. S. R. Gammon, head of the department of history, will speak on "Why Latin America?" Monday evening at the first of four evening seminars on South and Central American countries at 7:30 o'clock in the chemistry lecture room.

In his address, Dr. Gammon will give information on the historical background of the Americas, and their political organization and diplomatic activities in recent years.

Dean E. J. Kyle will be the chairman of the evening's discussion.

Three more meetings will be held later to discuss further the subjects of South American natural resources, economic situation and culture.

The seminar programs are intended and scheduled to serve the interests of both students and members of the faculty. If sufficient interest is shown, they will be continued next year, according to Dean T. D. Brooks.

On April 15, Dr. C. L. Baker, head of the department of geology, will conduct a discussion of "Wealth and Poverty," dealing with the natural resources of the countries and their state of under-development. Dr. Baker has obtained much of the information which he will present in his lecture from original observations on his explorations in South America.

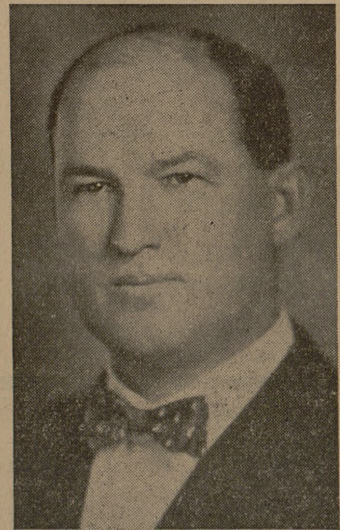
G. W. Schlesselman, professor of agricultural economics, will talk on the trade and economic situation of the Latin-American nations on April 28.

Formal Ceremonies to Be Held at Airport

Banquet Honoring Cashion to Be Held Monday Night; Walton, Rainey to Speak

Guests from all parts of the Southwest have been invited to attend a banquet to be held Monday night in the banquet room of Sbisahall honoring M. L. Cashion, secretary of the A. & M. College Y.M.C.A.

The banquet is being given by the Y.M.C.A. Cabinet in appreciation of Mr. Cashion's fifteen years of service on this campus. Speakers



M. L. Cashion

will be Dr. Homer Rainey, president of the University of Texas, and Dr. T. O. Walton, president of A. & M. College.

All A. & M. students, ex-students, faculty members and their families, and citizens of local communities are invited to attend. Student tickets may be obtained at the Y.M.C.A. desk, and non-student tickets may be purchased from Prof. G. B. Wilcox, Education Department; Mr. Ernest Langford, Architecture Department; Col. Ike Ashburn; Dean T. D. Brooks; and Mr. Judson Neff, Industrial Engineering Department, and Prof. Dan Russell, Rural Sociology Department.

Special National Defense Courses To Start Tuesday

Special national defense courses in machine shop and welding will be offered at A. & M. April 1. Classes in both courses will meet five days each week until July 1.

Students in the machine shop must be between the ages of 17 and 24, inclusive, and not now in school. They must be physically fit and mentally able to learn the calculations required in a machine shop.

The machine shop course will be in session from 3 to 10 p. m. Welding classes will also start April 1 and meet five nights each week from 10 p. m. to 4 a. m. until July 1. To be eligible for this class applicants must be at least 18 years old, physically fit, and mentally able to learn and do welding jobs. They must also have had at least one year of experience in some metal working occupation.

The purpose of these courses is to qualify men for work in national defense industries.

Those interested should write Prof. C. W. Crawford, department of Mechanical Engineering, Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas, giving age, previous schooling, and work experience.

Chem Engineering Curriculum Changed

A change in the curriculum for chemical engineering students has been made, according to an announcement by Dr. J. P. Lindsay, head of the chemical engineering department yesterday.

The summer course in industrial chemistry, known as 400s, has been dropped from the curriculum, and courses in the industrial processes of chemical engineering will be added to it in the near future, Dr. Lindsay stated.

The summer course in chemistry came between the sophomore and junior years during the last six weeks of the summer school session, and was dropped so that students might take advantage of the opportunity to obtain jobs in plants, and make contacts that will be of value to them later after graduation.

Bonar Law, Senior Student, Killed Thursday

Bonar Law, senior student at A. & M., was found dead late Thursday afternoon at the foot of an oil derrick about a mile from Alvin, Texas.

He apparently had taken a short cut through the Hastings oil field while on his way to his home in Alvin. When his car stalled in the mire of mud, Law climbed the nearby derrick to get his exact location and fell to his death.

Law was a petroleum engineer major and a member of Company E, Engineers.

Surviving the youth are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Law of Alvin; three brothers, Wayne Law of A. & M., Joe Law of San Antonio, and Brady Law of Alvin; and two sisters, Mrs. A. H. Robertson of Miles and Mrs. J. D. Lindsey of El Campo.

Silver taps were observed last night by the entire cadet corps.

Twelfth Annual Engineer Regimental Ball Is Big Success; Carlsen Plays

Members of the Engineer Regiment and their dates danced last night to the music of Bill Carlsen and his orchestra in the main dining room of Sbisahall, honoring the juniors and seniors of the regiment at the twelfth annual Engineer's Ball.

As the background for the decoration, the Engineers' "Castle" was prominently displayed and accented by lights. The guidons of the six companies of the regiment flanked the bandstand. The regimental colors and the United States flag were also displayed.

Favors for the ball were in the form of a locket with the castle superimposed on the front with space on the inside for engraving, a heart-shaped pin and a pin with the Engineer insignia superimposed.

Members of the dance committee who were in charge of arrangements were Jimmy Griffith, C. K. Voith, Stanley Smith, Bob Wright, Steve Kaffer, Edgar Waring, John McGhee, James V. Gilliland, Robert Hudson, Edward Rogers, Lee Housewright, Jr., and Edward Tschoepe.

Carlsen and his band have become prominent as a dance attraction in Chicago and throughout the middlewest. In Chicago, Carlsen has had repeated engagements at the Aragon and Trianon ballrooms and the Edgewater Beach Hotel during the past three years.

Carlsen will play for the corps dance in Sbisahall tonight from 9 until 12 also.

Spring Is Motif of Hillel Club Dance Tonight

The twenty-first annual spring ball of the Hillel Club will be held tonight from nine till twelve in the banquet room of Sbisahall.

The dance will follow a banquet for the members, their dates and out of town guests at the Aggeland Inn at 6:30. Morris Lichenstein, president of the Hillel Club, will be the toastmaster.

Gerry Rolnick, who is in charge of the decorations for the dance, said that the theme for this year's affair is different than those of the past in that the motif is one of spring. Around the entire floor there will be a picket fence with entwined ivy and other plants.

A lover's seat beneath an arbor be the most important feature of the decorations of the south wall. Behind the bandstand there will be a large dummy rabbit against a background of lattice work and plants.

Lichenstein has been in general charge of the dance plans and has been assisted by Harold Hausman, chairman of the banquet committee, Phil Golman, E. M. Rosenthal, Manny Smith, Buddy Kaufman, Pincus Brounes and Rolnick.

Ground to Be Broken on \$229,000 Project

Formal ceremonies will be held at the Easterwood airport today in conjunction with the breaking of ground for actual work on the new \$229,000 improvement project which was approved by the state legislature this week.

Gibb Gilchrist, Dean of the A. & M. Engineering School, received a telegram Thursday morning from State Representative W. T. McDonald of Bryan which read: "The Airport bill, number 147, passed the house this morning." Bill number 147 is known as the A. & M. Airport Bill, and after passing the house and being signed by the Governor, it will enable the college to own and operate Easterwood Airport. The college will also be able to acquire additional land through condemnation by the right of eminent domain.

One hundred men will report for work today on the project which will be financed by W. P. A. grants of \$131,030 with supplements of \$75,000 obtained from the C.A.A. and \$23,000 appropriated by the A. & M. Board of Directors.

A "go ahead" order was received by Dean Gilchrist from W. P. A. Headquarters of Texas early this week. This followed the receipt of a formal certificate of necessity from the United States War Department several days ago.

With the improvements to be made, including two runways one mile or more in length, the airport will qualify as Class 3, which is of the first rank.

The airport has been dedicated by the Board of Directors to Jesse L. Easterwood, a former A. & M. student from Wills Point, Texas. Jesse Easterwood, well known to all A. & M. students and staff from 1906 to 1909, served with the United States Navy Aerial Service during World War 1, being attached to the Royal Navy of England and making bombing trips over the German lines. He received the Navy Cross as a token of gratitude from the English government.

Extension Service Directors to Make Good Will Trip Soon

Extension Service directors from 17 states will hold a conference with high officials of the Mexican Ministry of Agriculture at Monterrey, April 2, H. H. Williamson, Texas Extension Service director disclosed Thursday.

Preceding the Monterrey meeting the directors will meet in San Antonio on March 31 for a conference on administrative matters.

The meeting at Monterrey, which is primarily a good will cultural exchange trip, will be held under the sponsorship of the National Extension office in cooperation with the Department of State.

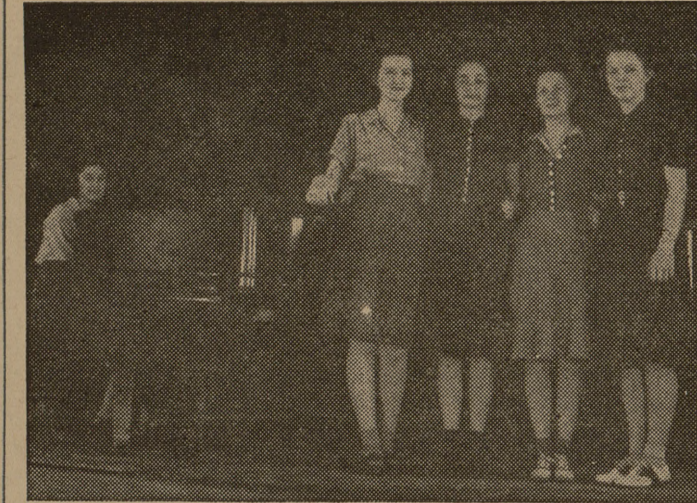
The conference aims at a mutual cooperation and a better understanding of border agricultural problems.

Also attending the San Antonio and Monterrey conferences will be M. L. Wilson, director of the National Extension Service, U.S.D.A., Washington; Reuben Brigham, assistant director; and Charles A. Sheffield, Extension field representative for the Southern States.

Of the 17 directors attending the conferences, 14 will be from Southern states and three from Western states.

H. H. Williamson, director of the Texas Extension Service and George E. Adams, vice-director, will attend from College Station.

Graduate Club Entertainers



Pictured above is the college girls' quartette of Southwest Texas State Teachers College which will sing at the Graduate Club dance tonight. Left to right are Mattie Sue Speck, accompanist; Charlotte Rugele, 2nd soprano; Emalu Alexander, 1st soprano; Doris Germane, 1st Alto; and Martha Bretzke, 2nd alto.

Ira Lee Sullivan To Speak Monday; Admittance Is Free

As a free presentation of Town Hall, Ira Lee Sullivan, formerly of the Royal Air Corps, will speak at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening in Guion Hall, Paul Haines, student manager of Town Hall announced yesterday.

This program is free to all students and no tickets are necessary for admission, Haines added.

Sullivan is native Texan, having been born in Hillsboro, and attended Hillsboro High School.

After receiving a year's training at Randolph Field, Sullivan went to Canada and joined the Royal Canadian Air Force. From there he went to England and became a member of the Royal Air Force.

Sullivan had ten months of actual flying service with the R.A.F. and during that time made 32 trips across the English channel. Ten of these trips were over Germany proper, and while making them Sullivan bombed both Berlin and Hamburg.

Singing Cadets to Give First Complete Program Before Corps Monday, April 7

The Singing Cadets of Aggeland will give a program at Town Hall Monday night, April 7. This will be the first time in the history of the four year old singing organization to give a complete program before the corps. This will also be the first time that any A. & M. organization has ever given a program in Town Hall.

This organization has become well known throughout the state for its appearances before former students clubs, A. & M. mothers clubs, high schools, and civic groups. Only three weeks ago the club returned from a very successful trip where they made appearances at Conroe, Houston, Port Arthur, and Beaumont. The club will make another trip to north Texas the 28, 29, and 30 of April, where they will make appearances at Tyler, Palestine, Greenville, and Denton.

It has been the policy of the club to divide their programs into two distinct parts; one half consisting of stirring military marches and the other half of light humorous songs. The first half of the Town Hall program will begin with "The Spirit of Aggeland," followed by "Fair Land of Freedom," "Stout Hearted Men," "The Drum," "Marines Hymn," "Dance, My Comrades," and "Strike Up The Band." The last half will consist of "Shortnin' Bread," "Old McDonald," "Mosquitos," "Cielito Lindo," a solo, by Gabino Fajardo of Peru, accompanied by the club, "La Caracha," a solo by Xavier Fernandez accompanied by the club, and special numbers.

(Continued on Page 4)

Confuse Issue of Ice Cream Slacks

Must Retake Vote To Decide Which of 2 Plans Class Wants

Because of a misunderstanding concerning the exact uniforms which it would be possible for next year's senior class to wear, it is necessary that the Junior Class meet again at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon in Guion Hall to make another and final decision on the uniform to be worn.

The two plans for uniforms for next year which will be acceptable are the following two and no others:

1. Uniform for seniors: Cap, coat, breeches, boots, spurs, and slacks as now. Optional in addition one pair of light grey slacks, to be worn optionally with boots and breeches at reviews and drill. Uniform for juniors: Cap and coat as now. Two pair light grey slacks. Shirts of light grey color worn by army officers.
2. Allow the entire uniform situation to remain exactly as it is at present.

At its meeting the members of the junior class are to decide which of these two alternatives they would rather have as the official uniform for next year. These are the two plans as presented in Thursday's Battalion and are the only two possible.

The misunderstanding as to the uniform which the seniors might wear grew out of a conversation between the representatives of the junior committee and the commandant held Thursday afternoon immediately preceding the class meeting. After this conversation, the representatives understood that it would be possible and presented to the classes the two plans as outlined above with one addition to the second plan. The addition was that seniors might get to wear light grey slacks or boots or their O.D. serge slacks at drills or (Continued on Page 4)

May 16 Is Date of Farm Land Short Course

The Third Annual Texas Farm Land Association Short Course will be held at Texas A. & M. College May 16-17 with 100 persons expected to attend, Dr. Ide P. Trotter, college agronomy department head, has announced.

Speakers during the course will be drawn from the staffs of the college, the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and other outstanding agronomists and economists.

There will be no charge for the course other than for the banquet which will be held in the Sbisahall banquet room on Friday night, May 16.

Fish, Game Students Make Inspection Trip

Doctor William B. Davis of the Fish and Game Department, accompanied by six students, left yesterday on a trip to the Arkansas Game Refuge on the Gulf Coast in Aransas County. The students taking the trip were Rudolph Peterson, Bryan Glass, Forrest Patterson, Lyle Davis, Harold Alexander, and Linton Robertson.

Doctor Davis and Linton Robertson are helping James Stevenson, manager of the refuge, make a survey of the mammals on the refuge.