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Aggies Invade Alamo City for Game Tonight

Colonel Welty Delayed, Will Not Arrive Until Middle of November to Take Post

Successor For Present Command Held Up Until First

Colonel Maurice D. Welty, the new commandant, has been unavoidably detained and will not arrive at A. & M. until the middle of November according to a telegram received by President T. O. Walton. He was scheduled to report for duty here on October 1.

Colonel Welty, who is on duty in Newfoundland, has not been relieved of his post and cannot leave until his successor from New York arrives the first of November.

On his arrival here, Colonel Welty will take the place of Colonel James A. Watson as Commandant and Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

A graduate of West Point Military Academy in 1910, Colonel Welty has attended the command and General Staff Schools and specialized in infantry and tank courses. He is also a graduate of the Army War College at Washington, D. C.

Lieutenant Joe E. Davis, assistant commandant and acting commandant since the departure of Colonel Watson early last summer, will continue to serve as commandant until Colonel Welty arrives.

Ft Worth Corps Trip Queen to Be Chosen Wednesday

The committee of Aggies to select the queen of the Ft. Worth Corps Trip will leave College Station Wednesday for Denton. The winning TSCW will be announced at the corps dance October 10.

Twelve beauties, three from each class, have been selected by the TSCW student body. One of these will be chosen as Queen of the A. & M.-TSCW corps trip. All 12 girls will be special guests of the corps at the Town Hall Concert and the Corps dance following the concert.

As in the past, the girl chosen will reign at festivities between the halves of the game and will also lead the dance at the official Aggie dance following the game. The Aggie sweetheart last year was chosen from the candidates in the Freshman class—Mary Margaret McCarthy of Fort Worth.

The task of deciding who will be the lady of the day will be taken over this year by a committee of 12 Aggies. Names of those on the committee will appear in the next issue of the Battalion.

Fish and Game Club Hears Davis

Dr. W. B. Davis, professor in the fish and game department, discussed the scientific aspects of biological explorations conducted throughout Southern Mexico this past summer by the fish and game department at the regular meeting of the Fish and Game Club Monday night.

A group of 13 students was led by Davis on their first field trip into Mexico. He described the various areas or life zones and the diversions thereof encountered between Laredo and Vera Cruz, Mexico. The vegetation, birds and mammals of each area were included. Many interesting specimens were collected on the trip illustrating differences between various biological regions adjoining the highway.

Davis exhibited a few specimens and of special interest were the pocket gopher which were two to three times larger than the pocket gopher found in this region. Several lizards three feet in length were collected along with a number of parrots taken by students.

In closing Davis mentioned that a similar trip is being planned for the coming summer.

Silence Reigns Where Aggies Ate Peanuts, Hissed Villians

By John May

At last the Assembly Hall has been stilled—there are to be no more feet propped over the balcony, no more peanut fights, and no more hisses as the villain stalks in, whistles when the heroine enters, and cheers when the hero beats the tar out of the villain. From a place which was once a center of such sound the Assembly Hall has been converted to a dusty deserted building which is used regularly

for Sunday school classes.

Almost a tradition at A. & M. is the Assembly Hall. Nineteen classes have occupied the center section as seniors and thousands of Aggies have gathered there to see movies, take examinations, and hold class meetings. It has been a center for Aggie pleasure and politics since 1924 and will long be remembered as an entertainment place.

Sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. the Assembly Hall was constructed in the fall of 1923 and started on its career of service to Aggies then. Early in 1924 it was opened and the first shows that were seen there were of the silent type.

One of the earliest recollections of the Assembly Hall was counting out loud the advertisement slides by members of the corps. This soon grew so noisy that the use of the slides were discontinued.

The pictures were originally shown only on Wednesday and Saturday nights, but as more and more Aggies began to attend, shows were given on Fridays and Sundays also. In 1931 sound equipment was installed. Attendance steadily increased and soon Tuesday and Thursday were added to the list of days on which movies could be seen.

About 1935 the Y.M.C.A. began offering shows daily and during the time since then this custom has been followed. During the summer sessions the Assembly Hall is used for all group meetings.

Blond Bombshell Bamboozled - Sees Corps in Mess Hall

Ina Ray Hutton, the famed "Blond Bombshell of Rhythm," was the feature guest at old Sbisla Hall for noon yesterday.

A rousing reception given by the fish who stood up and yelled at the announcement that she was present, gave Ina Ray the thrill of her life as she lunched with the sixth corps headquarters.

Her short visit to A. & M. yesterday was not her first visit as Ina Ray invaded Aggeland with an all-girl orchestra five years ago for a concert appearance.

Noon Yell Practice Delays Formation

The noon meal in both mess halls today will be delayed about 10 minutes for the purpose of hearing the radio broadcast of the yell practice to be held in San Antonio from 12 noon until 12:15.

Radio Station KTSA of San Antonio will present the fifteen minute broadcast over their regular frequency. However, for the benefit of those who do not have a radio available, the broadcast will be picked up and transmitted over a loudspeaker at the top of the Academic Building.

Eastern Panhandle Club Plans Activities

Hervey Walker, elected president of the Eastern Panhandle Club at its first meeting Tuesday night, and members of the club are now working out plans for future activities and their annual Christmas dance.

Other officers of the club are Austin O'Neal, vice president; Gene Caperton, secretary-treasurer; and Pat Trew, reporter.

The club meets on the first Tuesday of each month and all boys from Childress, Memphis, Wellington, Shamrock, McLean, Wheeler, Miami, Canadian, and surrounding towns are eligible to be members.

Gilchrist On Washington Trip For Defense Meeting

Dean Gibb Gilchrist is in Washington, D. C., this week attending a meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Engineering Defense Training.

As one of the nine members of this committee appointed out of the U. S. Office of Education Dean Gilchrist will assist in making recommendations and suggestions on the ways of promoting defense training in the colleges of the country.

The opening session of the meeting was held at the Interior Building in Washington Wednesday morning. Dean Gilchrist is expected back next Wednesday.

The Dean has been a member of the committee since last fall and as a result of his work several new defense courses are being offered at A. & M.

CLUBS NOTICE

All requests for allocations from the Student Activities fund should be filed with the Student Activities Office, 126 Administration Building by October 10. Application blanks are now available for making your requests.

Dots and Dashes ... W T A W and Battalion Take to Ether Waves for 6-a-Week Newscast

If it's flash news that you're looking for, you can start and stop with the Aggie's radio station W T A W.

With Graham McNamee's approval and operating under Winchell's plan, Aggeland can now be treated to their own self-styled headline news in the form of a daily newscast.

The first in this series of broadcasts was heard on W T A W one week ago today. And from now until June there will be a newscast at 11:55 a.m. every day except Sunday.

The new radio program has been made possible through the cooperation of The Battalion, W T A W,

and the public speaking department of the College.

Carrying out the announcer's chores on a regular schedule of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday is junior editor of The Battalion, Charlie Babcock. Program announcers for Monday, Wednesday, and Friday will be arranged in the future by the public speaking department. However, mention must be made that Irving Dietz conducted the program Wednesday with Norman Snapp in the driver's seat Friday.

Along the same vein, yet not to be confused with the news broadcast is the traditional Aggie Clambake, a W T A W feature which hits the ether waves every Friday at

Assembly Hall Presents Final Showings Tonight

Feature This Evening Screened One Time Only; No Sunday, Monday Shows

The Assembly Hall will flash the last motion picture of its career on the screen tonight. If plans work out according to schedule, the "old opera house" will close down tonight after only one showing, states J. G. Gay, associate secretary of the Y.M.C.A.

If the moving gets under way tomorrow as planned, the regular Sunday free show and the picture scheduled for Monday will not be given. The moving to Guion Hall will continue through Monday and Tuesday, finishing up in time for the regular Tuesday and Wednesday feature which will be screened for the first time Tuesday night.

The new fireproof projection room and the box office at Guion Hall have been finished for several weeks, but the delay in moving was caused by a late shipment of equipment. The present Guion Hall, with its maroon and white curtains, will be further beautified with new draperies between the main auditorium and the side aisles, draperies over the balcony windows, a new screen, a new system of stage lighting, and heavy carpets on the aisles.

Junior Engineer Positions Are Open

The government is urgently in need of junior engineers in all branches of engineering, Dean Gibb Gilchrist, head of the school of engineering, learned in a letter received from the United States Civil Service Commission.

There is a serious shortage of eligibles on the junior engineer registers and the Commission is again calling the attention of any engineering graduate or candidate for an engineering degree in February, to government opportunities in federal service.

Anyone who is interested in the offer of the Civil Service Commission may secure application form and form cards which are on file in the office of the Dean of Engineering as long as the supply lasts.

Subsistence Lists To Be Sent in Soon

The list of those seniors taking advanced military science who earned pay this summer will be sent to the headquarters of the Eighth Corps Area at San Antonio by the end of next week, Captain Bennet, adjutant, stated yesterday.

Mississippi Valley Cadets Organize Club

The recently organized Mississippi Valley Club of A. & M. has as its aims to promote a general feeling of fellowship, and to form acquaintances with the boys of that area according to John Hardin, newly elected president. There are approximately 25 members in the club.

Brazos County Club Announces Membership Drive

Meeting Monday Night is Scheduled As Enrollment Booster

A membership meeting of the Brazos County A. & M. Club will be held at the Bryan Country Club at 7:30 p. m. Monday evening. Decision to hold the meeting was made by the Board of Directors of the club, H. L. Heaton, secretary-treasurer announced.

All present members and those who have not yet joined are urged to be present at the Monday meeting. Any former student of A. & M. who has not yet joined the club may do so at this meeting or may make application and pay their annual \$1 membership dues to Jocko Roberts of the Experiment Station or any member of the membership committee.

This is to be a membership meeting and an effort will be made to increase the size of the club membership. At the present time 180 men have joined the club voluntarily. A goal of 400 has been set for the enrollment.

A letter was received and read at the last meeting from the Washington, D. C. A. & M. Club. The club invited all Aggies to visit them when in Washington. Their regular meeting date is the eighth day of each month.

The nine chairmen of standing committees have been requested by the board to call meetings of their committees and plan their year's work and make reports on their program at the membership meeting.

Chairman Roberts of the membership committee is already working on his list of 454 eligibles for membership in the local club.

English Profs Make Progress

The Texas A. & M. college department of English has been increased from 27 to 30 men since the 1940-41 session, two members have returned from leaves, three new men have been added and four resigned, Dr. George Summey, Jr., announced today.

Dr. Fred E. Ekfelt of the English department received his Ph. D. degree at the University of Iowa on August 1. Dr. A. H. Sakowitz, member of the staff from 1936 through 1938, returned after receiving his Ph.D. degree at Harvard university. Dr. William A. Owens, on leave for graduate study, received his Ph.D. degree at the University of Iowa in June.

Members of the 1940-41 staff who spent all or part of the summer in graduate study or library research were John L. Coulter, Jr., W. A. Hall, L. F. Hauer, John Q. Hays, E. D. Hedgecock, Carroll D. Laverty, A. S. Limouze, Byrd L. Priece, Frank W. Powell, J. C. Watson, Kenneth A. Spaulding and Karl E. Elmquist, who spent a total of twelve weeks in preparation of a bibliography of military cryptography for the Liberty of Congress.

Those resigning were C. W. Wilkinson, who accepted appointment at the University of Illinois; Richard M. Weaver, to continue studies at Louisiana State University; George D. Stephens, to do graduate work at the University of Nebraska and E. K. Spahr, to enter private business at Austin.

East Texas Select Watson as President

The East Texas A. & M. Club at its second meeting of the semester Tuesday selected Joe Watson to serve as its president this year. Other officers elected at the meeting include D. R. Sutherland, vice president; Tom Lanier, secretary; Bob Bruce, treasurer; and M. M. Woolfen, social chairman.

Students living in and around the East Texas oil fields are invited to come to the next meeting of the club which will be announced in the mess halls. A dance is being planned for the Christmas holidays.

Aim Set for Two Straight In Year's Only Night Fray

Moser, Spivey, Zapalac, Webster In Starting Backfield Against Javelinas

By Mike Haikin
Battalion Sports Editor

The Texas Aggies, 36 strong, aided by some 2000 members of the cadet corps, will attempt to make it two straight tonight when they take on Coach Bud McCallum's A. & I. Javelinas in their "second invasion" of San Antonio at the Beautiful Alamo Stadium.

Coach Homer Norton plans to start the same lineup which faced Sam Houston last week. Derace Moser, Marshall Spivey, Willie Zapalac, and Jake Webster will be the Aggie starting backfield, but they are scheduled to get plenty of help from those reliable reserves—Lec Daniels, Tom Pickett, Cullen Rogers, Bobby Williams, Andy Andricks, and "Bama" Smith. Daniels and Rogers, who combined to ignite that spark which set the cadets off on a scoring spree last week, are destined to see lots of service before the night is over.

In the line, there will be Jim "Rosy" Sterling and Bill Henderson at ends, Les Richardson and Ray Mulholland at guards, Martin Ruby and Euel "Fats" Wesson at the tackle posts, and Dub Sibley at center. Supplementing them will be

The commandant's office has again reminded the cadet corps that the official uniform for today's game in San Antonio will be the number one with white shirt.

The number two uniform may be worn at any time on the trip with the exception of the ball game.

Boots Simmons, Harold Cowley, Roy Bueck, Wayne Cure, Bob Tulis, Jack Swank, Leonard Dickey, Art Mercer, Weldon Maples, and Leonard Holder.

Hopes Are Clarkson
As for the Javelinas they will put all their hopes on the shoulders of Stu Clarkson, one of the greatest centers ever to come out of the Lone Star State. He is going into his last season after making all the conference honor teams, and making many All-American mentions. Much will depend upon this boy to strengthen the middle of the Hog line, which will certainly get its test against the speedy Aggie backs.

Along with Clarkson in the Hog line, which held Tempe to a scant yardage last week, will be Klosters and Dowgiello at tackles, Maris and Gardes at guards, and Arnold and Jensen at the terminals.

Johnny Vargo Starts
In the backfield, Coach McCallum plans to start off with Johnny Vargo at the wingback post, Vernon Gillespie in the tailback (See AGGIES HOPE, Page 3)

R L Freeland Takes Reins of Spanish Club

Robert L. Freeland will lead the Club Español de las Tres Americas for the coming year as a result of an election held at the first meeting of the club Wednesday night. Other officers elected are Harvey Cordua, vice president; "Happy" Goodman, secretary-treasurer; and W. J. Hamilton, Jr., club reporter.

Late Club Entries by Presidents Continue to Lengthen Official List

The names of the officers of the various clubs on the campus will appear in the Battalion from time to time. The following is a continuation of the list which appeared in the October 2 issue.

Biology Club
President—Robert S. Crawford, Jr.

Vice-President—Marvin M. Pearson
Secretary—Harry Trodler
Treasurer—Harold Holdeman
Social Secretary—H. O. Borgfield
Faculty Sponsor—Dr. Charles LaMotte

Boxing Club
President—William Hammersley
Vice President—Gus Link
Secretary-Treasurer—Don Griffin

Beaumont A. & M. Club
President—Dick Crutcher
Vice-President—W. F. Oxford, Jr.
Secretary-Treasurer—Charles L. Babcock, Jr.

Cryptography Club

President—Harry Gill
Vice-President—George Hoskins
Secretary-Treasurer—Dan Lansdon

Reporter—Jack Kieth
A. & M. Czech Club
President—Joe Hornak
Vice-President—Joe Lichnovsky
Reporter—Jimmie Mendl
Secretary-Treasurer—Robert Skrabanek

Social Chairman—Fred Kallinz
Colorado County A. & M. Club
President—Fred P. Kallina
Vice-President—Henry Hasse
Secretary-Treasurer—Joe Lichnovsky

Reporter—Robert Wells
Social Chairman—Teddy Danklefs

Del Rio A. & M. Club
President—Earl E. McChesney
Vice-President—William Brennan
Secretary-Treasurer—Harold W. (See OFFICIAL CLUB, Page 4)