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Wool, Serge Become Reg At 12 Today

Seniors May Wear Khaki Breeches For Formations, Drill

As a result of the sudden cold snap here at College Station, the regulations governing uniforms of the A. and M. cadets have been revised and will go into effect at noon meal formation today.

An official memorandum issued yesterday from the Commandants' office stated that at noon meal formation, Thursday, October 30, 1941, underclassmen will appear in No. 2 uniform consisting of woolen O. D. slacks and either woolen or cotton O. D. shirts, optional to the individual.

At meal formations only seniors will be allowed to wear woolen slacks, shirts optional, or bombay or woolen breeches with boots.

Woolen slacks for seniors include those gray elastic slacks that were adopted as part of the senior cadet's uniform.

From the headquarters reserve officers training corps comes the official memorandum prescribing the regulation uniform for drill.

Cadets will be required to wear No. 2 uniform with woolen O. D. trousers, cotton breeches when prescribed by senior instructors, and woolen O. D. shirts.

Seniors only may wear woolen O. D. trousers or bombay or woolen O. D. breeches with boots.

So far no orders have been issued that will prevent the wearing of the regulation bombay slacks that have been regulation wear up to this point for meal formations and drill, to classes and in other public places.

Hillel Establishes Loan Fund to Be Open to All Aggies

Through the generosity of Leo J. Gaber, prominent business man of Houston there has been established at A. & M. a new student loan fund predicted to help many Aggies over a difficult financial "huddle". The fund was named by the A. & M. Hillel Club "The Ernestine Gaber A. & M. Hillel Loan Fund" in honor of Gaber's mother.

While originally intended for members of the Hillel Club, in a spirit of appreciation the Club has voted to extend its use to every Aggie who has a bona fide reason for needing it.

The fund is to be administered by the Hillel Council in co-operation with Mrs. J. J. Taubenhaus of the college museum. All that is required of the borrower is that he make out an application (not a note) with one faculty reference and that the loan be paid back in one month. No interest will be charged. In order to benefit the largest number of students, no more than five percent of the fund will be loaned to any one individual.

Helen Jepson Presentation Hailed As Huge Success by Town Hall Audience

By Tom Leland
Helen Jepson, the second A. & M. Town Hall presentation of the season, proved to be a tremendous success, drawing an unusually large amount of applause and admiration from the corps last night in Guion Hall. Miss Jepson more than lived up to her great reputation as a glamorous Metropolitan Opera soprano and "1941 style prima donna."

Miss Jepson's program consisted of arias and songs which appealed to the interest of all music lovers. Such famous composers as Haydn, Schubert, Gounod, Debussy, Ravel, Massenet, and many other favorites were featured on the program.

She was able to create such a favorable impression because of her firm belief that a singer should never underestimate the taste of her audience, and also because of her familiarity with the musical tastes of the American public.

Brought up in an Ohio town, she

Aggie Clambakers



Featured attraction of the Aggie Clambake heard every Friday afternoon over WTAW is the Aggie Sextette. Here are four of its members engaged in a little hot live; they are left to right, Rusty Briant, bass fiddle; Charles Bickley, clarinet; Tommy Nelson, alto sax, and Bill Murphy, alto sax.

Clambake - A What-Have-You Where Anything Can Happen

By Tom Journeay

Clambake, picnic at which clams form the main dish—according to our venerable old friend, Webster! Clambake; a play, show, program, or what have you, during which anything or everything can happen (and usually does). That's the showman's definition of a clambake.

Perhaps by now you are wondering why all the definitions of clambake. That's the word used to describe one of WTAW's feature programs, The Aggie Clambake to be exact. This is a musical clambake put on every Friday afternoon for the entertainment of the Aggies, and no one else. It's a program that interests the Aggies and no one else. Matter of fact, it is the Aggies' program.

The clams start baking round about 4:30 and while they are cooking there's likely to be 'most anything happening. By about 5:30 they're done and so is everyone else!

At the present Freddie Nelson

and his "Gut Bucket Five" are the featured entertainers. The rest of the time is taken up by records of the newest vintage and the whole show is tyled to fit Aggie tastes, including the snappy introductions of the Hit Parade tunes of the week recorded by favorite bands and singers.

To see the "Gut Bucket Five" in operation is a show in itself. Maestro Freddie Nelson banging out the melody of jam tunes and occasional sweet ones on the black and ivory, Maxey Hervey tripping the traps with plenty of rhythm, Rusty Briant beating the doghouse, Dick Alston giving out with some hot licks on the trumpet, and Charles Bickley and Don Hackney huppling the melody with the saxes.

The Aggie clambake is a program devoted completely to the Aggies; it's their program to do what they want with. Chief chef for the Clambake is John Rosser, program director of WTAW.

Wilcox Named On Retirement Board

Professor George B. Wilcox of the education department was appointed last week to a six-year term on the Teacher Retirement Board by Governor Coke Stevenson to replace Dr. C. N. Shaver.

Wilcox was nominated by members of the teacher retirement system. He received over 40 per cent of the total votes cast, leading the list of nominees by more than 1,000 votes.

Ballots were sent to approximately 46,000 members of the retirement system. The three names receiving the greatest number of votes were then submitted to Gov. Stevenson. He selected Wilcox from the list as a member of the seven-man board.

Professor Wilcox is a past president of the Texas State Teachers Association.

Cowgirl Queen And Duchesses Sparkle Under Rodeo Spotlight

Beautiful cowgirl duchesses, a famous cowgirl queen, Aggie bronco busters and enthusiastic fans of the West's traditional principal past-time, all put together under the A. H. pavillion roof will again make up the annual Aggie rodeo.

The rodeo is sponsored each year by the Saddle and Sirloln club and will be presented this year on the 7 and 8 of November. Shorty Fuller of D Troop Cavalry will reign as king and as escort of Annabelle Edwards of Big Spring, Texas, who is to share the throne with Fuller as Queen of the rodeo.

The court of the chosen king and queen will consist of two dukes, Jack Taylor of 3rd Hdq. Field Artillery and David Shelton, Captain of C Troop Cavalry, along with seven cowgirl sponsors who are to participate in the cowgirl sponsors contest. The sponsors will be Elizabeth Miller and Billie Lou Thompson of Snyder, Texas, Jo Morris, Patsy Morris and Billie Marie Miller of Coleman, Texas, Nita May Boyd of Abilene, and Maxine Maier of Orange, Texas.

To the winner of the cowgirls contest will go a large silver loving cup presented by the Saddle and Sirloln Club.

Houston Is Site Of Latest A & M Course

Another defense training course was begun in Houston October 20 in Industrial Safety with an enrollment of 36 men. This is a course in a series being offered through the college to train men in jobs essential to the national defense program. A second course in Industrial Safety was begun Wednesday night.

J. T. L. McNew, head of the department of civil engineering and local director of the national defense courses, stated that plans are being made to start courses in hydraulics and strength of materials about the first of December. Both of these courses will be held in Houston.

Arkansas Special Assured; Team Send-off at Midnight Tonight

Campus Theater Swells Student Aid Fund by \$119

Money Accumulated Since Last March From Tax on Passes Issued by Show

Ben S. Ferguson, owner of the Campus Theater, announced Wednesday afternoon that he had turned over to the student aid fund \$119 as the proceeds from the theater's pass fund.

"This vastly helpful contribution is just one of several instances in which Ferguson has assisted the fund," former chairman George Fuermann, who received the check, said. "The aid fund committee, together with the cadet corps, is sincerely grateful to Ferguson for the contribution which, like all of the fund's resources, will be used entirely to aid cadets in need of physical assistance."

Last March the Campus Theater established a practice of adding a five-cent charge to all passes, the money being turned over to the student aid fund.

Although, now modified by the new federal defense tax, Ferguson announced that the practice would be continued.

Tom Gillis, new aid fund chairman, pointed out that work for the current year was rapidly progress-

ing and that an educational campaign would soon be under way in The Battalion under Fuermann's sponsorship.

Although Fuermann was unable to release the aid fund's balance with the addition of the Campus Theater donation, he announced that Gillis would prepare a mid-semester financial report to be released in the Battalion at an early date.

The fund's next meeting will be held the first Tuesday in November and at that time the names of the two new junior representatives will be announced.

Community Chest Drive Starts Mon, Lasts for Four Days

College Employees Asked To Contribute Half Day's Pay; Brazos Budget \$4,925

The annual College Community Chest drive will be held for 1941-42 on the first four days of November. The Community Chest collectors funds for various charity, health, and civic organizations in the community of College Station and Brazos County. By making this collection, the college prohibits all other soliciting other than that by schools and churches.

Through the generous response to the committee's appeal for funds in past years the pro rata contribution solicited from each employee of the college has never exceeded the equivalent of one day's pay. However, the budget for 1941-42 presents a considerable reduction from that of last year; therefore, the committee is asking that every employee contribute a half of one day's pay. In computing the amount of one's contribution, college employees are asked to divide their total salary by 720. From these funds, the club feels that all reasonable requests for aid can be met.

The Community Chest budget for this year is \$4,925, a reduction of almost one fourth of last year's budget. Approximately 49 per cent will go to charity, 27 per cent to civic organizations, and 24 per cent to college welfare.

Famed Bengal Guards Abandoned by Backer Millionaire H L Stark

The Bengal Guards, famous drum and bugle corps marching unit of the Orange, Texas high school, are no more. Mr. H. J. L. Stark, millionaire, philanthropist sponsor of the unit announced to the girls Monday night after their regular practice session that he was removing his sponsorship of the group because he had heard rumors of an impending strike.

Thousands of Aggie fans saw the Guards perform in the Sugar Bowl on New Year's day of 1940 when A. & M. played Tulane. The girls accounted for themselves so well that they were invited to march at the Arkansas U. game in College Station last fall where they again thrilled the spectators with their precision drill and music.

CE Students to Go To Fort Worth Meet

Eighteen senior and junior civil engineering students decided at a meeting Tuesday night that they would attend the fall meeting of the Texas section, A.S.C.E. which will be held in Fort Worth, October 31, through November 1.

The society will meet in Monterey Friday and Saturday at which time several geological papers, including one prepared by Turner, will be read. The remainder of the trip will be spent in a geological study of Cañon de las Cortinas.

Train Tickets Available at Ten AM; No Ducats for Sale in Little Rock

Enough students have decided to ride the train to Arkansas to make a special possible. Juniors, seniors, and 132 members of the Aggie band will follow the members of the football team who will leave tonight on a regular train about midnight. The Aggie-Arkansas game will be played in the Little Rock High School stadium in Little Rock, Arkansas, Saturday afternoon.

As has been the tradition in the past the Corps will go to the station to see the team off. A short yell practice lead by Skeen Staley and J. O. Alexander, senior yell leaders, will be held.

Tickets for those students riding the train will be available at 10 a.m. this morning and those students who bought tickets but have not received theirs can get them in Harry Boyer's office in Ross Hall after that time.

The football team will return on the train leaving Little Rock at 1 a.m. Sunday. Coaches will be added to the train carrying other members of the corps to carry the team. This train will return by noon Sunday, leaving for the game Friday at 7 p.m. The band and student train will arrive in Little Rock at seven-thirty a.m. Saturday, Lieut. Joe E. Davis, assistant commandant stated.

Authorized Absences
Juniors and seniors wanting authorized absences can secure them by showing their ticket to the game and filling out a pass to be stamped in the commandants office before leaving. These passes are good from Friday noon until Monday.

Tickets will be on sale until 4 p.m. today but there will be no student tickets available in Arkansas. The band will be seated in individual seats in section G South which is the student section of the stadium. Captain R. L. Roberts, Infantry, will be the tactical officer in charge of the trip.

Band Finance
Money for sending the band is being given by four sources; these are the student activities fund, the student concession fund, the athletic department, and the news stand. The news stand is making arrangements to give each of the students on the train coming back Sunday morning two ham sandwiches and one cheese sandwich on the train. This will be done because there won't be a chance for the cadets to buy breakfast Sunday morning.

Geology Students, Profs on Mexico Trip

F. E. Turner, J. F. Smith, and L. Toulman of the A. and M. Geology department, accompanied by students Paul Graham, Arthur Matson and Charles Nuel left Wednesday afternoon for Monterrey, N. L., Mexico, where they will attend the thirteenth annual field trip of the South Texas Geological Society.

'Chattanooga Choo Choo' Choo Chooes to No 1 of Aggie Hits

The Aggie Hit Parade became a fact at Saturday's corps dance when Topsy Pearce began in earnest a campaign to determine the likes and dislikes of his dancers in order that he might know what and how to play to best suit the Aggies and their girl-friends.

His system functions around a "Request Booth" which he sets up in front of the bandstand. Here dancers may come at any time during a dance and make requests for the band to play various tunes. In addition there are several boys who work in connection with the booth, circulating among the dancers, interviewing them as to their favorite tunes and other preferences. This information is compiled, and the results are the Aggie Hit Parade.

Too, the results of each corps dance poll will be carried in The Battalion column, Backwash. And there, in a nutshell is the Aggie Hit Parade.

Interviewers who obtained the information for this week's Hit Parade include Gene Copeland, Dick

Gillis, Staley Visit TCU; Present Flag At Chapel Program

Strengthening of Relations Object of Trip; Apologies Extended for Flag Incident

Strengthening the relationship between the T.C.U. student body and the A. & M. Cadet corps, Cadet Colonel Tom Gillis and Head Yell Leader Skeen Staley appeared before a chapel meeting at T. C.U. Wednesday morning to present to the Fort Worth school a new banner to replace the one destroyed by several Aggies on the corps trip.

Gillis and Staley were the guests of Colby D. Hall, dean of the university, and M. E. Sadler, president of the university, during the early part of the morning.

Ronnie Brumbaugh, president of the T.C.U. student body, introduced Gillis, who gave a brief talk, and in turn Gillis introduced Staley. Gillis and Staley both explained that the actions of the few Aggies did not necessarily express the sentiment of the entire corps. Apologies were extended for the incident, and the hope was mentioned that the new banner might stand as a symbol of a fine relationship between the two schools.

Sonora Mothers Add \$110 to Fund For Library Books

Dr. Thomas F. Mayo has received a contribution of \$110 for the library general reading fund. The contribution was made by the A. & M. Mothers' club of Sonora, Texas.

The general library reading fund is used by the library for the purchasing of books and various classical records for the library. These books and records are purchased after being recommended by the Student Library Committee, a group of Aggies.

For the past four years this fund has been receiving contributions from various Mothers' clubs all over the state.

Weirus, George Ogden, and Dick Crutcher.

Jitterbug and hep cats are on the way out at AggieLand according to the poll taken. Seventy per cent of all people interviewed indicated a preference for sweet music rather than swing. Among the boys sweet music was even more popular, getting a vote of 75 per cent.

But when it came to selecting a favorite tune, the dancers were somewhat inconsistent. Numerous interviewees who claimed to prefer sweet music, gave their favorite tune as "Chattanooga Choo Choo" which is definitely a swing tune. And in face of the decided preference for sweet music, the fact that the aforementioned tune was selected as the universal favorite by both boys and girls does seem strange.

The favorite tunes as told the Hit Parade interviewers at the corps dance were in order "Chattanooga Choo Choo," "I Don't Want to Set the World On Fire," and "Jim." Others receiving quite a few votes were "Elmer's Tune," "You and I," and "Yes Indeed."

DEADLINE FOR JUNIOR PICTURES	
Oct. 28 thru Nov. 1—Infantry.	
Nov. 3 thru 6—Composite Regiment.	
Nov. 7 thru 11—Cavalry.	
Nov. 11 thru 14—Coast Artillery.	
Nov. 17 thru 20—Engineers.	