

Yell Leader Replacement Election Held Dec 17

Brazos County Starts Hum Of Home Guard Machinery

Eight Air Observation Posts Set Up; Sabotage Investigated as Bombings Tried

Immediately on the outbreak of hostilities between the governments of Japan and the United States, Brazos County was fully organized for civilian defense against any emergency. Under the supervision of Judge A. S. Ware of Bryan, coordinator of civilian defense for Brazos County, eight aircraft observation posts have been established at strategic points throughout the county.

These observation posts are under the 3rd U. S. Interceptor command of the U. S. army air force. The posts are managed by carefully selected air wardens who have been ordered to remain constantly on the alert. These wardens communicate with the army air force and the Brazos County Civilian defense headquarters at the court house in Bryan in the case of any emergency.

Home Guard Organized
J. G. Chaney of the A. & M. mathematics department has been appointed emergency communications officer for the county to cooperate with the defense movement. The mayors of each incorporated city in the county are working in cooperation with Ware.

A trained unit of civilian home guards has been organized to a strength of 40 members and will soon be enlarged to its full enlistment of 60. Qualified members of the Boy Scouts have also been ordered on the alert for any emergency. In addition to these precautions, a fully equipped sound truck for public address is ready for use in the advent of a blackout.

Investigations Started
These defense authorities have already begun investigation of two attempts to destroy a railroad bridge and are conducting continuous observation of power plants, telephone lines, railroads, and other utilities to prevent any attempt at sabotage.

Rush at Ad Bldg Isn't Call to Arms

Those students who were recently called to the administration building to sign up as draftees are not registering for an early draft.

They are men who have already registered for the draft and have been deferred until a further date. They were called on to submit additional information to the draft officials in Washington so that their records may be better systematized and so that they may more accurately be assigned to the branch of service in which they would best be suited.

This added registering and the submitting of additional information to the draft board is in conjunction with the draft registration procedure that was begun long before the present crisis. These men are not subjects of an early draft.

'Remain In School' Profs Tell Students

Need is Technicians, Not Cannon Fodder, Faculty Poll Reveals

By Clyde C. Franklin
"Stay in school; students will be more valuable as technicians than cannon fodder," advise the faculty of A. & M.

Since the first notification of an attack on this country its citizens have done much serious thinking and many opinions of the situation have been formed.

Many members of the faculty think that the war will be a long one, but all think that students, particularly engineers, should continue their training.

Opinions and attitudes of faculty members in representative departments are printed below.

J. E. Breland
Mechanical Engineering Dept
"This is going to be a long war. Students should stay in school as men will not be considered slackers in this war if they are working for the good of their country at home rather than going to the Army."

F. R. Jones
Agricultural Engineering Dept
"A student should always keep uppermost in his mind the necessity for getting an education while the opportunity presents itself. At the same time, however, he should use his best judgment as to serving his country in time of emergency."

Dr. Roy L. Donahue
Agronomy Department
"I am Irish but rather slow to anger. When our citizens are bombed I am ready to help push away the invaders. I'm ready to do my part."

Dr. F. B. Clark
Economics Department
"We are in the war and must fight it out. We are not to blame for the present conditions as nothing which we have done in the last (See PROF'S POLL, Page 4)

Major Bennett Recalls Tour Of Duty at Post Bombed Monday

Bombs fell Monday on the Philippines where several A. & M. military instructors have been stationed, among them Major A. J. Bennett, '17, and Sergeant George Daisa. Stationed for five years in Corador Major Bennett recalls rather hazily the lay of the land there and states that there have been many changes since his departure in 1934. He served two tours there.

At the time Bennett was stationed there, there were four regiments of Coast Artillery along with all services of supply. Headquarters for the Commanding General of Manila and Subic Bay were located there. This post is now under the direction of General Geo. F. Moore who is under the Department Commander in Fort St. Ago. Bogio is some 200 miles from Manila and is a rest camp. Officers went there at least once a year to take advantage of the altitude and recreational facilities located there. A military school is also located there. Stotsenberg is on the way from Bogio to Manila and is the Cavalry and Field Artillery post.

Sergeant George Daisa, retired, was stationed in the Philippines from October 23, 1911, to January 1912 and went to China with the 15th Infantry that same month staying there until April 1914 where he was stationed at Fort Wm. McKinley. When he was sent on into China he was stationed with Japanese, Germans, and Italians to watch the railroad from Tientsin to the sea and keep it (See BENNETT, Page 4)

Ole Army Gets the Spirit



Ole Army got the spirit starting Sunday afternoon when news of war with Japan broke out. The Aggies took the news in characteristic cadet style, grinned, and settled back, prepared to do their part when needed. The lighter side of the crisis came in for a session at A. & M. as was witnessed by the sign above. In the two lower pictures Aggie fish stage a mock war with Japan as the victim. On the right a spy is executed and on the left fish infantrymen put up an anti-aircraft defense with brooms. —Top photo by Ralph Stenzel, others by Jack Jones

Specially Designed Walks to be Laid In New Dorm Area

P. G. Walton Halls Will Also Benefit by Concrete Work Extending to Sbis

Rainy weather need not phase the cadets who will occupy the new dormitories which are being constructed on the northeast corner of the campus as the walks in that area are designed to eliminate necessity of wading through water, according to F. A. Lewis, representative of Alfred C. Flinn, architect of the building.

The walks will be crowned in the middle and will have curbs and gutters on both sides. Iron grates will be used at intersections to further eliminate the water. The walks will be either concrete or asphalt.

Residents of the Post Graduate hall and of Walton hall will also benefit by the new walks as they will extend from the new dormitories past those halls to Sbis hall.

Bids on the walks which will be over half a mile long, will be let on Friday December 19. They are expected to be completed by the last of February. All walks will be 16 feet wide with the exception of the military walk replacing Henderson street which will be six feet wider.

There will be no drops at the ends of the walks, as they will be sloped to the streets in accordance with requirements specified by the military department.

Buildings in the area are in the last stage of construction. By the first of the year Lewis expects all the work will be confined to the inside except for the landscaping and the work on the walks.

WTAW Changes Broadcast Schedule

The WTAW newscast, "The Town Crier," has been lengthened in order to be able to furnish this area with more of the local news. The program which formerly began at 11:55 and lasted until 12:00 noon, will now begin at 11:50.

"The Town Crier" brings the latest news of interest to residents of Bryan and Brazos county reported by Conrad Bering and College Station and A. & M. news reported by a member of The Battalion staff, and other miscellaneous announcements.

The weather forecast usually given has been discontinued in accordance with new regulations imposed by the United States Navy since the outbreak of hostilities with Japan.

Hold on, Sabotage Sleuths; Aggie Japs Are American Citizens

From the first announcement of the hostilities between America and Japan, every Aggie has been on the point of frothing at the mouth to get started on that "Tokyo corps trip" and give our Nipponese neighbors the trimming of their lives. Nevertheless, Aggies, don't let that spirit turn you into amateur sabotage sleuths and spy catchers as far as the Japanese students at A. & M. are concerned. These students have been investigated by Brazos County defense authorities and all have matriculated at the college as American citizens; so let's save that fight for the Japanese army.

19 Exes Graduate At Randolph Friday

Out of a class of 254 aviation cadets to be graduated tomorrow from Randolph Field, 19 cadets are ex-Aggies. The class of 254 student pilots represent 37 states and Canada, 135 colleges and universities.

The graduates who attended A. & M. and the respective classes are as follows: Jake L. Wilk Jr., '40; John Tyson, '42; Howell P. McCorkle, '43; Franklin D. Low Jr., '41; H. M. Locker, '41; Richard G. Hill, '41; Burgain G. Hayes, '40; Charles C. Halton, '42.

Raymond J. Berger, '41; Jack S. Griffin, '41; Bobby M. Goodwin, '42; Robert S. English, '42; Herschel E. Ellis, '42; Donald W. Corley, '40; Albert L. Chase, Jr., '40; Rimmel R. Cowan, Jr., '43; Daniel A. Story, '41; Howard N. Sturkie, '39; and Paul J. Stach, '41.

Vanity Fair Deadline Dec 18, Editor Warns

The deadline for all Vanity Fair and Senior Favorite pictures for this year's Longhorn is Dec. 18th. There are definitely no exceptions, Editor Russel Heitkamp said yesterday.

Reservations for club pictures must be made by December 20th. These reservations must be turned in to Ben Hancock, 128 No. 4, or Jack Grantham, 107 No. 10. An application blank must be obtained before making club reservations.

Navy Wants 250 Texas Radio Men Within Sixty Days

Only High School Degree Required; Candidates Sent To California for Training

An urgent call for radio technicians, repairmen, and maintenance men was issued today by the United States Navy, with the announcement that qualified candidates may be enlisted as radiomen second class in the Naval Reserve.

Texas and the Eighth Naval District has been assigned a quota of 250 men for this branch of the service out of a nationwide total of 1,000 men within the next 60 days.

Candidates for ratings must be high school graduates and must hold or have held a Class A or B license. However, in the absence of these qualifications, a man must be actively engaged in technical radio work.

Accepted candidates will be sent to a naval training school at Los Angeles and may be, by the officer-in-charge of the school, recommended for ratings up to and including chief radioman. Enlistments in this branch of the Naval Reserve, known as Class V-6, are being taken at all Navy recruiting stations and sub-stations.

Say, Bud, Tell me Somethin';

Alabama's Crimson Tide Boasts One of South's Finest Schools

By Charles Babcock

Alabama—the name of a great state and great university, the Aggie's opponent in the Cotton Bowl. And when "great university" is mentioned, reference is not made to the Crimson Tide football squad, a team that has been in the Rose Bowl five times in the last 15 years.

But not detracting any glory from Alabama's fine gridiron giants, the campus at Tuscaloosa is the home of one of the finest universities in the South. Standing as one of the oldest, most comprehensive, and most historic institutions of higher learning, the school was established in 1820 and was first opened to students in 1831.

Tuscaloosa, a city of 25,000, is an ideal college community which affords an unusual combination of rural and urban characteristics. Once the state capital, it is an educational, religious, and industrial center.

Petitions Signed by 200 Must be in by 3 pm Monday

Nagle Resignation Leaves Position Open; Winner Eligible for Head Job

Replacing Jack Nagle as junior yell leader will be the business of the junior class at a meeting in the Assembly hall Wednesday, December 17, at 7 p.m. Tom Gillis chairman of the student election committee announced yesterday. Nagle was forced to leave the post to go into the army.

In order to be eligible for the election, the prospective candidate must present a petition signed by at least 200 names by 3 o'clock, Monday, December 15, to the Student Activities office, room 126, Administration building and pay a 50 cent filing fee.

All Juniors May File
Any member of the junior class may file for the election. The yell leader elected will be eligible to participate in the election for head yell leader next spring.

Members of the student election committee present at the meeting yesterday afternoon included Tom Gillis, chairman; Dick Hervey, president of the senior class; Warren Ringgold, vice president of the senior class; Austin Nance, vice president of the junior class and secretary of the committee; Vance Carrington, vice president of the sophomore class; Edward Roeder, vice president of the freshman class; H. L. Heaton, registrar, and Joe Skiles, director of student activities.

Resolution Passed
The resolution passed by the committee concerning the resolution (See ELECTION, Page 3)

TSCW Seniors Help Decorate Y

Nine T. S. C. W. seniors will visit the campus tomorrow and Saturday to inspect construction on the student lounge at the Y. M. C. A. They are members of the interior decorating class of the fine arts department at T.S.C.W. The class has taken the decoration of the lounge as a project and will make suggestions about the furnishings, Preston Bolton, member of the student committee, said yesterday.

Construction of the lounge is now in progress. Exterior brickwork is being done at the present. The Building and College Utilities department holds the contract for the work which will cost \$17,000.

Two solariums are being built at either end of the lobby and two lounges will be created in the lobby. The telephone booths will be moved to the south wall and the present Y.M.C.A. offices will be moved to the hall below the stairs. The offices in the rear of the chapel will be moved to the second floor parlors.

Wishes Of US, College In Agreement

War Dept Only Wants Volunteers Who Will be Drafted

A call for volunteers into the army has been made by the War department. The A. & M. college officials have advised all students to remain in school as long as possible but the wishes of each party do not conflict as it would seem.

Only Eligible Draftees
The War department wants only those men who are eligible for the draft, who do not have contracts, and would therefore be drafted into service eventually. They are not asking for men who are eligible for commission or ineligible for the draft because of age.

Those students possessing contracts or who are ineligible for the draft are asked by the college to remain in school as long as possible in an attempt to complete their college career.

Recruiting Service
Captain W. H. Culbertson of the Recruiting Service at Houston, and Corporal C. C. Roberts were on the campus Tuesday for the purpose of informing those students only who are eligible for immediate draft of the advantages of volunteering for service now. No attempt was made to enlist any man who might be exempt from the draft because of contracts or under age.

According to Captain Culbertson, there is a decided advantage in enlisting before being drafted. You may select the branch of service in which you wish to serve and in many instances select the foreign service you desire.

Every Aggie an Officer
Captain Culbertson's purpose in coming to A. & M. was to interest students eligible for the draft in enlisting in the Air Corps or one of its immediate branches. "Every (See RECRUITING, Page 3)

BATTALION MAGAZINE ISSUED TONIGHT AT 7

The December issue of The Battalion Magazine will be issued in the mailing room in the basement of the Administration Building between 7:00 and 7:30 tonight.