

Sweeping Changes to Effect Every Student Monday Second Semester Registration Gets Underway at 1 P. M.

ROA Ceases To Function For Duration

Senior Applicants As Junior Members To Get Money Back

All memberships in the Reserve Officers Association will be suspended for the duration of the war, according to an announcement from the national headquarters of the ROA received here this week. Since a great number of the members of the ROA have gone on active duty, it has been found advisable to suspend activities of the organization for an indefinite period.

Concerning junior members, the announcement said that memberships should not be accepted at this time, as there is not much that the association can offer them at this time.

All funds paid the ROA by members of the Senior Class for dues will be refunded to them by their respective regimental commanders.

Members of the organization in good standing as of February 1 will have their unexpired period extended by an equal number of months when the ROA resumes its work after the war.

Clean-up Campaign Is Planned for City

Fire Chief F. G. Brown today pointed out the necessity of an immediate clean-up campaign by College Station home owners as an essential aid in the civilian defense work being carried on under the direction of the local defense committee headed by Dr. C. C. Hedges, head of the Chemistry Dept.

Brown, in suggesting methods by which fire hazards could be reduced, pointed out that all vacant houses should be cleaned and padlocked, all yards cleaned and cleared of excess rubbish, and that all attics should be cleaned of all inflammables, unnecessary junk and other items which might prevent access to attics in case of fire or render the consequences of incendiary bombs more serious.

All residents of College Station and of the campus are urged by Chief Brown to take the precautions suggested, especially that of cleaning attics. Within a few days an inspection will be made by the local fire department of College Station premises to determine the existence of fire hazards.

At the present time an auxiliary fire force is being trained at bi-weekly meetings in the essentials of fire fighting.

Classified Seniors Stand in Lines For Last Time Today, Others Friday

Registration for the second semester will begin at 1 p. m. today and will last until 5 p. m. Saturday. Classified seniors will be allowed to register this afternoon provided they were classified at the beginning of the fall semester. They will not, however, be permitted to miss classes today.

Other classes will register tomorrow and all new students and old students returning for the second semester will register Saturday. The registrar's office announces that they expect about 300 students to come in the second semester who were not registered for the fall semester. Approximately 100 of these will be "Frogs" and will be distributed out among the military organizations on the campus by the military department.

Students will be held strictly to the schedule published by the registrar's office and no exceptions can be made. If any student fails to register at the time designated he can register from 3 p. m. to 5 p. m. tomorrow afternoon at which time all assignment cards can be secured from the booth at the Assembly hall.

Old students who have not registered in person by 5 p. m. Saturday will have to pay an additional matriculation fee of \$2.00 for late registration.

Freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors who were not classified in September will register in accordance with the following schedule:

Friday, January 23

R and S—7 to 8 a. m.
C, D, E, and F—8 to 9 a. m.
M, N, O, P, and Q—9 to 10 a. m.
G, H, and I—10 to 11 a. m.
J, K, and L—11 to 12 a. m.
T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z—1 to 2 p. m.

A and B—2 to 3 p. m.

There are four main steps to registration. Fees are to be paid first and then the student may secure his assignment card from the Assembly hall. After the student has secured the assignment card and followed the instructions printed thereon he should report to the commandant's table in the rotunda of the Administration building. He may then turn the card in to the registrar.

Engberg Teaches Program in Houston For Civilian Defense

V. L. Engberg of the Industrial Extension Training Service of A. & M. college has instituted a training program at Houston for plant managers, assistant managers, personnel men, supervisors and guards. The course will run for a period of six weeks having started January 19.

The subjects taught will include patrol methods, public-employee relations, discipline, courtesy and conduct, law enforcement methods, self-defense, care and use of police weapons, criminal law, sabotage prevention, fire prevention, elementary fire fighting, first aid, crowd control, care and presentation of evidence; reports and records and cooperation with law enforcement agencies.

Coast Artillery Signs Al Donahue For Ball March 21

Played Last Year At Senior Ring Dance, Vocalist Not Announced

The annual Coast Artillery Regimental Ball will feature the orchestra of Al Donahue on Friday, March 20, in Sbis Hall. Al Donahue and orchestra will also play for the corps dance to be held on Saturday, March 21. The vocalist to appear with the orchestra has not been announced at this time.

Last year's Coast Artillery Ball featured the orchestra of Bernie Cummins and the singing of Jeri Sullivan.

The plans for this year's dance are in the hands of Henry King of B Battery; Ed Monteith, H Battery; and Joe Stewart of C Battery.

This appearance is a recall for Al Donahue, since his orchestra accompanied by the vocalizing of Lee Keating, furnished the music for last year's Senior Ring Dance and the traditional ceremonies connected with this event.

Baptists Dedicate New Church Feb 22

The new building of the First Baptist Church at College Station is expected to be finished some time in February, according to the Reverend R. L. Brown, pastor. The dedicatory ceremonies have been set for February 22.

The new church is being constructed of brick, consisting of an auditorium with 1,000 seats and a two-story educational unit in the rear. Earnest Langford, head of the Architectural department of the College, is the consulting engineer working in collaboration with Ralph M. Buffington of Houston, the architect.

Dr. George W. Truett, for 45 years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, will be the speaker at the dedicatory ceremonies and will be the principle speaker during the A. & M. Religious Emphasis Week immediately following the dedication.

Executive Committee Takes Action

Calisthenics, Halting of Fish Details in Effect

Recognizing the need for reorganization on the campus in light of the present world situation, the executive committee passed the following statement of policy at a meeting yesterday afternoon:

"The present war emergency demands not only that every American put forth his best efforts in war preparation, but that we scrutinize our individual and collective efforts to see that they are applied most efficiently and with the least waste.

"The greatest contribution that this College and its student body can make to this war effort is in preparing a highly trained body of young men, well disciplined in mind and body and requiring the minimum of further discipline to take their places in civil or military life.

Military Training Intensified

"A. & M. men have always prided themselves on their patriotic military spirit; but a military training that was outstanding in peace times when men's primary objective was peaceful civil occupations, has become inadequate when the immediate purpose of every red-blooded American is to win this war. Men high in military circles—men who have time and again shown their friendship and their admiration for A. & M. men—have pointed out ways in which military training and discipline must be strengthened immediately if the college is to maintain that pre-eminent place in military training that it has always held.

"This will necessitate some changes, but we believe students and faculty alike are ready to make any sacrifice to help win the war.

Changes to go in Effect

"The following changes are regarded as imperatively necessary and are to become effective immediately:

1. The establishment of reveille exercises each week-day morning followed by 10 minutes of intensive physical drill. The exercises and drill will be under the supervision of company officers or housemasters and will be supervised by tactical officers and will be participated in by every undergraduate student living on the campus who is not excused for physical disability. All students shall be permitted to remain in bed until first call for reveille, and shall rise at that time.
2. Military discipline is based (See CHANGE, page 4)

Here's an Excuse For Those "C's" If You're an "A" Student

Baton Rouge, La. (ACP)—War exerts its ugly influence even unto scholastic averages of university students. One of the reasons why grades drop during times of conflict, Dr. E. K. Zingler, Louisiana State university professor of economics, says, is that students feel that an "A" student is just as likely to be shot as a "C" student. Increasing occupational opportunities and reduced morale of a wartime world also enter into the lowering of academic averages, he believes.

There's a bright side to the war picture for women students, Dr. Zingler points out, since it means the widening of their vocational fields.

FBI Tells College Station Men Of Community Defense Plans



To further College Station's determination to prevent civilian unpreparedness in case enemy bombs should fall on this community, Howard Lee, Garland Brown, A. P. Boyett, and Guy Boyett, have attended an F.B.I. sponsored civilian defense course given at Galveston on January 12 to 17.

The course was under the direction of M. D. Ford of Baltimore, Mr. Ford is an F.B.I. instructor in civilian defense who gave the men practical instruction in such vital things as air raids, police protection, bombs, fire prevention, etc.

These men who have received training in this course will use their information to instruct others in the community in matters of civilian defense.

Welty Explains Plan To Juniors, Seniors at Guion

Cadet Officers Held Responsible For Discipline of Underclassmen in Dorms

By Clyde C. Franklin

In a brief meeting at Guion hall last night Colonel M. D. Welty, commandant, outlined to the juniors and seniors who hold advanced Military Science contracts, a gigantic plan under which A. & M. will operate for the next few years.

Colonel Welty read to the members of the corps present an order which had a few minutes previously been handed him by the authorities of the college. He read the order and gave his interpretation of what the authorities had in mind for the college beginning next Monday morning at reveille.

No Fish Service

The commandant stated that the upperclassmen will have to make up their own beds, sweep their own rooms and run their own details. The order stated that there would be "no personal service in any form to upperclassmen."

Sophomores will not inflict any form of physical punishment nor will juniors and seniors as under the new order no cadet is authorized to administer any form of physical punishment. Offenses against regulations warranting punishment will be reported to the commandant on the regular demerit slips now in use.

Calisthenics for All

Beginning Monday morning at reveille the corps of cadets will rise for 10 minutes of physical drill. The exercises and drill will be under the direction of company officers or housemasters and will be supervised by tactical officers. They will be participated in by every undergraduate student living on the campus who is not physically disabled. All students including freshmen will be permitted to sleep until reveille has been sounded. The students will then rise, dress, and form in designated areas for their exercises.

Acting under the orders of the authorities of the college, the commandant's office is charged with enforcing the rules of the superiors. Tactical officers will be directed to inspect when necessary.

Bleed Meetings No More

No so called "bleed meetings" will be held in the future between sophomores and freshmen. Only the organization commander may call or conduct meetings of underclassmen in his organization. No meetings will be called except to transact any business vital to the organization's well being. This is to apply to all classes.

Acting on Board's Order

Before beginning his speech the colonel stated that he would not express his opinions on the new order and that the order was not his own. Colonel Welty states that he will act under the direction of the board of directors to do what they deem best for the school during this period of national emergency. These steps, Colonel Welty said, will emphasize at A. & M. the proximity of the war to the student body.

The officials decided that under the old plan men were not being sent out of the college in a condition which would allow them to do their best for their country, Colonel Welty said.

WTAW to Present 'Aggie Hit Parade' Starting February 6

Plans for the new program to be started on WTAW Friday, February 6 have nearly been completed. The broadcast will be heard at 5 o'clock each Friday afternoon and will feature the giving away of theatre tickets to those who correctly guess the three most popular songs with the Aggies.

Parachute Troops Descend on Randolph

Randolph Field, Texas.—Parachute troops dropped on the "West Point of the Air" the other day, but old-timers yawned and went about their business.

The "troops" were just dummies, the occasion being the testing of a new shipment of parachutes, fresh from the factory.

Safety, of course, is the big reason behind the test. The silken mushrooms must be in perfect operating order before any Aviation Cadet or flying officer is permitted to wear them.

LAST ISSUE

This issue of The Battalion will be the last issue of the First Semester. There will not be a paper Saturday. The next issue will be published Tuesday, January 27.

A & M Cadets Who Can Not Complete Regular Schedule of Work Can Now Continue Technical Training by Taking Defense Courses Here

For young men not able to continue their regular college course and who as yet have not had sufficient technical training to equip them for work in Defense industry, it will be well to investigate the Engineering Defense Training courses that are to be offered at A. & M., beginning February 2. At mid-term each year a good many students for financial or other reasons find it impossible for them to remain in school for the second semester, and yet these students have not always had sufficient training in specialized fields to secure technical employment.

The colleges and universities of the United States produce from ten to twelve thousand graduate engineers each year, and the various

Federal government agencies estimate that war effort makes a demand for more than 100,000 trained men each year during the emergency. The defense courses sponsored by the U. S. Office of Education, and as given by A. & M. College, are especially designed for the furnishing of men needed in various types of defense industries.

At the present time, the Army and Navy estimate a very great need for not less than 150,000 men trained in the various fields of communications, principally that of radio. A. & M. is giving one such course, called Radio Communications, beginning February 2, which will last for twelve weeks and will equip the student with the necessary prerequisites to secure a remunerative job in the field of com-

munications. An allied course, Power and Electric Circuits, runs for a similar time and is also designed to fill a need for a growing shortage of men.

One of the largest phases of the National Defense effort involves construction and manufacture. Thousands of technically trained inspectors of ordnance and construction materials are needed, and the available supply of these men is practically exhausted. A. & M. offers one of the strongest courses in Materials Testing and Inspection of any school in the country. The course content is built up around the requirements stipulated for ordnance inspectors, and the students who have completed the first three of these courses have all been able to secure very remunerative jobs in

defense industry. In a good many instances students have been hired and placed on work before the conclusion of the course.

Still another field of activity, and yet one which is of as great importance as any in the defense effort, concerns itself with explosives. The course, Chemistry of Powder and Explosives, offered by A. & M., beginning February 2, lasting for eight weeks, trains the student for inspection work in shell loading plants, powder plants, and ordnance plants. The prerequisites for this course stipulates that a man must have had a minimum of two years of college chemistry.

For the men who have had very little college training, defense courses in Machine Drawing, Structural Drafting, and Architectural

Drafting are to be offered. In the past year A. & M. has successfully placed over seventy-five trained draftsmen in industry, and at the present time cannot supply the demand for draftsmen that is being made.

Complete details concerning all of these courses may be secured at Room 14, Civil Engineering building, and applications for registration may be made at that same place. When it is considered that the total cost to a student, including personal expenses and spending money, need not exceed \$100,000 it can be seen that the cost to the student is extremely cheap, considering what he receives in the way of gainful and worth while employment, which is also of vital interest to the National Defense Effort.