

Ag Council Plans Second Agriculture Day for April 4

Scholarship Society Still Open to Juniors and Seniors

Aero Department Complimented By Haddaway at Meet

Annual Joint Banquet Held With CE Department In Sbis Hall Saturday

"You have made more history in the shortest time than any school of aeronautical engineering in the United States," Texas A. & M. College civil and aero engineers were told at their annual joint banquet in Sbis Hall Saturday evening by George E. Haddaway, of Dallas, publisher of Southern Flight aviation magazine.

The speaker, one of the pioneer civil aviation enthusiasts and an authority on aviation, paid high tribute to the accomplishments of the recently established school of aeronautical engineering at Texas A. & M. College. He made a plea that the government use the many thousands of civilian pilots and the private planes in the country "as errand boys for the armed forces," pointing out that there are many duties that can be performed by the civilian fliers.

Haddaway urged immediate establishment of Texas A. & M. College of aeronautical engineering research laboratory to supplement the war-endangered centers now maintained at Langley Field, Va., and Sunnyvale, California; pointing out the vulnerability of those places.

"This war is going to be won or lost in the air," Haddaway declared, "and it is imperative that we immediately set out to discover new theories of flight and aerodynamic principles that will enable us to build bigger, better, faster, higher-flying and heavier armed planes than our enemies."

Samuel J Parks, '41, At Turner Field Base

Second Lieutenant Samuel J. Parks, class of '41, of Dallas, Texas, recently reported to the Advanced Flying School, Turner Field, Albany, Georgia, for duty. He was formerly at the Barrage Balloon Training Center, Camp Davis, North Carolina.

He is a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School, Dallas and he received his Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A. & M. College in June, 1941.

Bill Lewis Ex-Captain Rifle Team Shoots Python in Dark

By Ken Bresnen
And then the Japs wonder why MacArthur is still holding them off in the Philippines! It is all very simple when you stop to think that there is more than one man there who can shoot like Bill Lewis, '40.

Several days ago Lewis and two other soldiers were on a scouting party when in the dark they came across a large python who seemed to be on a midnight marauding party of his own. The others became alarmed, but Bill in typical Aggie calmness simply said, "Step back a little boys, so I don't hurt you." Then, drawing his .45, he fired six shots into the dark.

When the snakes gyrations had ceased, they approached the carcass and one of the officers ventured to use his flash light even though it might have exposed the party to enemy observation. Six shots in the dark—six shots true to their mark. Of the half dozen holes in the hide of the big snake, three were dead center! They had broken his spinal column.

Shortly afterward, Mrs. Lewis, Bill's wife, received a letter from him telling that he had sent the

Meeting to be Held In CE Lecture Room; Committees Named

Membership in the Scholarship Honor Society has not been filled as yet, according to Jack Taylor, president of the club, and any senior or junior who can meet the requirements, but whose name has not appeared in the lists previously published, may still associate himself with the society by seeing Taylor, Room 328, Dorm 4, or A. J. Landua, Room 218, Dorm 7, today.

Required grade point average for members is as follows: Seniors, School of Agriculture, 2.12; Engineering, 2.23; Arts and Sciences, 2.25; and Veterinary Medicine, 2.05. Juniors must have the following averages to qualify: Agriculture, 1.95; Engineers, 2.57; Arts and Sciences, 2.37, and Veterinary Medicine, 2.01.

Those seniors who were members last year automatically continue to hold their membership if they pay their dues today or at the meeting tonight in the CE lecture room. This will be the last time that dues can be paid because plans are being made for a banquet. If dues are paid, the member is entitled to have his picture published in the Scholarship Honor Society section of the Longhorn by paying the 50 cent fee at the studio by Tuesday night.

Affiliation of A. & M. with national scholarship honor fraternities, a goodwill trip to other leading universities by an outstanding senior from each school, a banquet, and those whose names will appear in the Longhorn; all these matters will receive attention tonight at what will probably be one of the most important meetings this year, club officers said.

All members may order keys by placing a dollar deposit with Landua or the total amount of \$3.85.

Medals are awarded each year by the society to the outstanding freshman, sophomore and junior. This award is based purely on the student's grades, said Jack Lamberson, chairman of the medals committee.

Committees were appointed at last Friday's meeting to make arrangements for the banquet and to plan the medals to be awarded this year. On the medals committee are Jack Lamberson, chairman, and J. T. Pesek and C. E. Wyatt. The banquet committee consists of Heywood Clemens, chairman, J. H. McAllister, Jack Miller, Walter Cardwell and Austin Nance.

Waterworks Meet Ends; Awards Made To Three Cities

Beaumont, San Antonio, And Lubbock Named For Outstanding Achievements

Examination of a dozen men for certificates as water plant operators last week brought to a close one of the most successful meetings of the 24 annual A. & M. College water works and sewerage short courses. The meeting was held under the auspices of the college, the Texas Division, Southwest Section, American Waterworks Association, the State Board of Health and the State Board for Vocational Education. Sessions ran from Feb. 9 through the 13, and the general theme of the meeting was the effect of the war emergency on water works and sewerage plant operations.

Officers elected included M. J. Salmon, Commerce, president; Roy Matthews, Albany, first vice-president; W. F. Hicks, Paris, second vice-president; W. N. Joiner, San Marcos, third vice-president; J. B. Winston, San Benito, fourth vice-president; V. M. Ehlers, Austin, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. E. H. Goodwin, Austin, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Awards for accomplishments during 1941 went to Beaumont for the city making the most improvements to its water works; Lubbock for the city making most improvements to its sewerage works and to San Antonio for the city treating its sewerage most adequately.

Honorary life membership in the Water Works Association for outstanding service were given to W. N. Joiner, San Marcos, and W. S. Mahlie, Fort Worth.

A F Chalk To Speak To Discussion Group

Alfred F. Chalk, Professor of Economics, will speak on inter-American trade to the Inter-American Discussion Group, tonight at 8 p.m. in room 124 Academic Bldg. The speaker will stress war time problems and possible solutions.

Professor Chalk is the second speaker on this week's program which has for its main purpose quick, intensive orientation into Pan-American history, geography, communications, peoples, military preparations, together with commercial, cultural and economic relations.

After this general preparation (including the students' own work on specific topics) a number of round table or panel discussions will be held. As soon as possible eight students will be selected to represent A. & M. College at the University of Texas in the District Extempore-Discussion contest.

College Employees Invest for Victory; Over 12,000 a Month

Fourteen hundred employees of A. & M. College, all pledged to invest a day's pay each month to purchase of Defense Bonds actually bought the equivalent of three days pay when salary checks for the month of January were distributed, it was announced by Dr. F. C. Bolton, dean of the college.

A total of \$40,500 in bonds were listed in the purchases, against a pledge to purchase approximately \$12,695 each month. Prior to this month A. & M. employees had invested more than \$100,000 in defense bonds, Dean Bolton said. At the present rate of purchase 10 per cent of total salaries paid are being invested in defense bonds and stamps.

Aero Research Support Given By Former Students

Tyree Bell Plans Center Comparable To Sunnyvale, California

At a meeting of the ex-students association here Saturday the former students pledged as their immediate objectives the establishment of an aeronautical engineering research center second to none in the United States.

"With one of the fastest growing schools of aeronautical engineering in the United States, and a fine airport nearing completion, the college should have, and its former students pledge that it shall have a research center comparable to those at Langley Field, Virginia, and Sunnyvale, California," Tyree L. Bell, of Dallas, president of the ex-students declared.

Another objective of the group will be to urge the government to give engineering, medical and other scientific students needed in the war effort the same military service status as those at West Point and Annapolis.

A recent survey of land grant colleges and state universities shows that the three semester plan as instituted here has been adopted by 11 institutions, and several others have this plan in process of adoption. A four quarter plan has been adopted by two universities and 15 other universities already on the quarter system of instruction have gone on a year-round basis of speed-up education.

Pre-Med Students Take Trip to Dallas

Twenty-three pre-medical students traveled to Dallas the past week end on an inspection trip to the Baylor medical school. They left by bus Friday afternoon and on their arrival were greeted by members of the medical fraternities of the school who acted as hosts to the group.

Friday night the Aggies who made the trip were entertained by the medical students in Dallas. Saturday morning the group was divided into two sections, one of which was shown the equipment of the school at the facilities of Baylor hospital. The other section watched an amputation of a leg performed at the Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

Those who expect to apply for admission to the Dalas school were afforded an opportunity to confer with the admission council of the school.

Those who made the trip were: T. A. Carlile, Thomas Collins, Jack Connor, Lloyd Darwin, Sol Forman, J. E. Green, Giles Fort, Wm. Jones, R. G. Jordan, Fred Kelle, Jack Levine, Tom Long, B. W. London, C. E. Murtha, Irving Murland, Maurice Nethery, Wm. Ozier, J. R. Raney, W. F. Robinson, Tom Sparks, Jim Stinson, George Willeford and Jack Williams.

Registration Of Local Boards Completed Monday

Students and Local Residents Sign Up In Administration Building

A final count of the number registered yesterday showed 1179 for the college. Of these, 888 were students and the remainder were local residents.

Registration under the selective service act was completed last night at nine o'clock. It has been estimated by those in charge that over a thousand students and local residents registered in the Administration building. Exact figures had not been tabulated at the time of this printing.

All men who were born on or before 31, 1921 and who had not passed the age of 45 were required to register. Students were urged not to cut classes, but to register during their off periods.

Facilities were provided for the registration of local residents and members of the college staff as well as for cadets so that no one would be required to leave the campus. All those other than cadets who had to sign up, were registered on the ground floor of the Administration building.

Students registration was conducted by members of the student body who were stationed on the first floor of the same building.

Tractor Exhibition Postponed Because Of Inclement Conditions

The tractor demonstration scheduled to be held this week at the main experiment station one-half mile west of the campus has been postponed till Wednesday, Thursday and Friday because of rainy weather. The demonstration is sponsored by the Agricultural Engineering Department under the auspices of the Bull-Stewart Company.

Students and others interested in seeing these free demonstrations of modern farm methods are invited to do so on any one of the days most convenient. Sound equipment will be provided so that all who attend may follow the program regardless of what part of the field they are in.

Iguana Owned by Tex Lynn Proves to Be Enjoyable Pet

By Clyde C. Franklin
"A reluctant dragon" is what Tex Lynn's roommate said of Lynn's pet iguana. This iguana is one of several large tropical American Lizards of which the iguana is the best known. These animals reach a length of five or six feet, Lynn's being a middle one about three and a half feet long.

Lynn caught this lizard which he calls Neiwah about 300 miles south of Mexico City on the Pacific coast. While visiting there last year he and an Indian guide were going up a river in a dugout canoe

and spotted the reptile on the bank of the stream. They immediately made for shore and managed to catch the lizard by throwing a hot over his head.

Neiwah diets on raw meat and bananas mostly, probably because these are most like his native diet. He has spent most of his college career under the radiator where he finds a simulated tropical climate. Ordinarily he remains in his haven quietly but when excited he runs savagely across the room and lashes at his antagonist with his tail. His tail carries quite a punch and Lynn finds boots con-

Mothers Day Visitors Will Be Invited to See Exhibits

Cooperation Stressed by Members of Ag Council at Meeting to Plan Annual Event

Students, mothers, dads, and visitors will have the opportunity for visiting exhibits of the Second Annual Agriculture Day which will be held April 4, it was decided at a meeting of the Student Ag Council in Dean Kyle's office at 5 o'clock yesterday. This motion was carried unanimously before the committee.

There will be a consolidation as much as possible of the exhibits of all the Agriculture clubs. The secretary of the council is to advise all clubs to submit their programs for the Ag festivities by March 1.

The annual Mother's Day review will be held April 5, Easter Sunday, this year as there is such little time between Mother's Day and the Final Review which will be held May 16. This will enable many visitors and parents who could not otherwise attend both of these big days to see the exhibits and the review on the same weekend.

The council suggested complete cooperation with the Engineers, whose annual day will also be held April 4.

The programs for the Ag Day will be printed in the March issue of the Agriculturalist. Additional programs will be printed for the guests of Ag Day.

The Annual Former Students Reunion which will be held April 10-11-12 was also discussed at the meeting. Five exes from each Agriculture club will be guests of the clubs at a program to be held Friday night, April 10. Each club is to have a program for this meeting. Three alternates were selected by each club.

On Saturday afternoon there will be a baseball game for the exes from the different Agriculture clubs. Fifteen Agriculture clubs will be represented at the homecoming.

Tickets for Sophomore Ball Available in Halls

Tickets for the Sophomore Ball are available from representatives in each hall. All Sophomores who are planning to attend the dance Friday night in Sbis Hall are urged to purchase their tickets at once, according to Bob Phillips, president of the class. Tickets are priced at \$1.10, couple or stag.

Ross Volunteers Go to Marlin For Patriotic Program

Governor Coke Stevenson Speaks at Rally Stressing Patriotism and Defense

Around 30 Ross Volunteers went to Marlin last Saturday to act as an honor guard for Governor Coke R. Stevenson when he spoke there on a Town Hall program the theme of which was patriotism. Governor Stevenson's talk was on national defense.

A saber arch was formed for the governor and his party when they entered the Marlin High School gymnasium. The R. V.'s made the trip in private cars and a bus furnished by the college and had supper at the Marlin High School before going to the program.

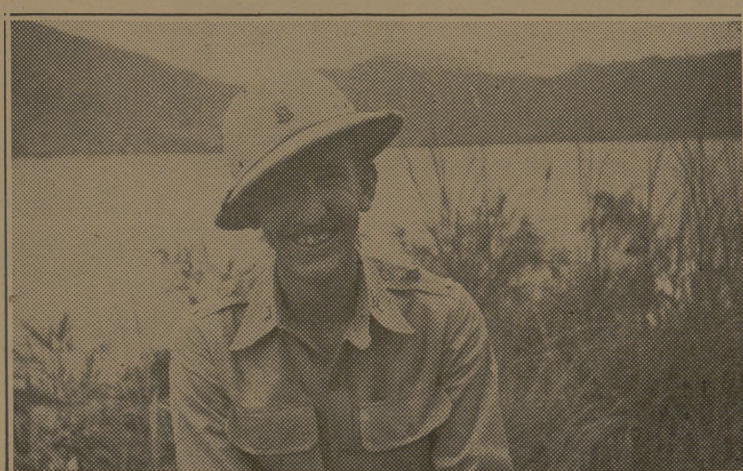
After the program the R. V.'s were entertained at the Fall Hotel in Marlin. During the course of the evening various leaders of civic groups were asked to pledge the support of their group in national defense at which time Louis Kerchville, captain of the R. V.'s, and Tom S. Gillis, cadet colonel, made short speeches.

L M Thompson On Duty at Fort Benning

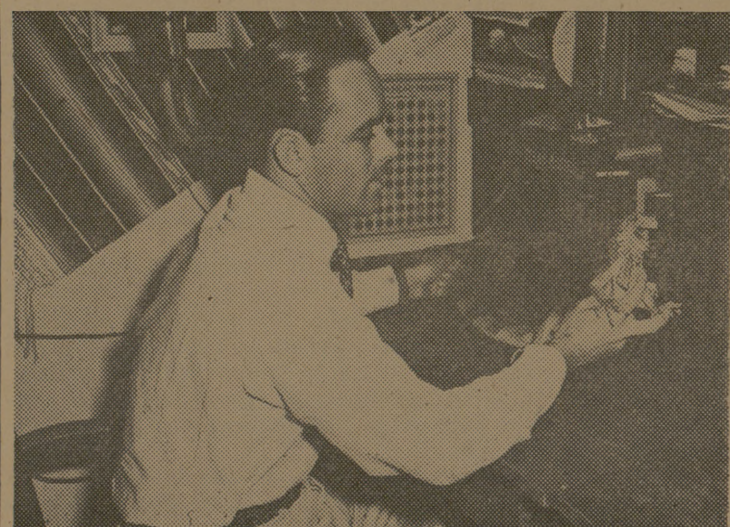
Lieutenant Louis M. Thompson, class of '32, of College Station, is now a member of the Infantry School's Rifle and Heavy Weapons course at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Lt. Thompson was a winner of a cotton contest and a tour of Europe. Later he taught in agronomy at A. & M.

Mrs. Thompson, son, Louis Milton, Jr., and daughter Margaret Ann, are now residing in College Station.



Lieut. Bill Lewis, '40, is on duty with the Coast Artillery Corps in the Philippine Islands, where he proved his training on the A. & M. pistol team was not wasted by any means, as he killed a large snake one night while on duty.



Tex Lynn and his pet iguana, Neiwah, are shown at Tex's desk in a familiar pose. Neiwah was captured on the coast of Mexico last summer and lives in Lynn's room, subsisting on a diet of raw meat and bananas.