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Next Term Dormitory Changes Announced

Soph Ball Promises To Be Largest

Tickets Being Sold In Dorms; Number 2 Or Tuxedo to Be Reg

Advance plans and ticket commitments seem to indicate that the sophomore ball for this year will be one of the main social successes of the summer season, was the general consensus of opinion expressed by members on the arrangements committee for the prom.

An en masse ticket sale campaign was held last night throughout all the dorms to set the wheels rolling for a record attendance at a sophomore ball, stated Jack Orrick, Sophomore class president.

Frances Beasley and her orchestra will be the feature attraction at the ball and either the number two uniform or a summer tuxedo will be regulation for the dance, announces Bobbie Stephens Senior class social secretary.

Frances Beasley used to be the featured vocalist with Leighton Noble's Orchestra prior to her forming her own popular band in the South. She features a typical arrangement of instruments with accent on melody.

Three ramps of Puryear hall will be vacated for dates of the sophomores Friday and Saturday night, the price being 50 cents. Sophomores may sign up for rooms in Harry Boyer's office at Ross hall between now and Friday afternoon.

The price of the dance is \$1.10, stated Orrick and all sophomores are urged to buy their tickets from their representatives in each outfit, instead of waiting until Friday night.

R S Beard Enlists In Naval Air Training

Raphael Stevenson Beard son of S. S. Beard of Ft. Worth, Texas, has been selected for training as a Naval Aviation cadet and will be ordered to active duty shortly. He is a graduate of Commerce, Texas, High School, Class of 1941, and attended Texas A. & M. for one year.

Ag Eco Summer Excursions Give Cadets Agricultural Knowledge

A series of nation-wide agricultural field trips sponsored by the agricultural economics department has been recently completed. The excursions were led by Professor L. S. Paine of the agricultural economics department.

The first trip began May 18 and carried 21 Aggies throughout the eastern part of the country and into parts of Canada. The trip was completed by the 27th of June. The second trip was conducted entirely west of the Mississippi and extended from July 6 to August 15. Sixteen Aggies made up the second party, 14 of whom had accompanied the first trip.

The trips were made in the agricultural economics department's new bus recently purchased for the trip. The trips cost the boys \$142 each and a total of 14,000 miles were covered.

The purpose of the trips as Paine stated, was to "shorten the gap between college training and practical affairs. Business men the country over desire more experience from the men they hire. In most cases, however, the college graduate has had only limited practical experience and observations. He is thus handicapped when he enters upon his professional work."

General Fickel Makes Inspection Anent Air School

Officer Expresses Great Admiration for Manner Mess Hall Serves Corps

Major General J. E. Fickel, in charge of ground school training for this district of five states, with headquarters in Tulsa, Oklahoma was on the campus last Friday, making a preliminary inspection of the mess halls, dormitory accommodations, and class rooms as a possible station for some 2000 air cadets, said Layton, of the Engineering Experiment Station.

This was only a first inspection as there are members of his staff that are to be on the campus the middle of this week to pass on the impression that he received. General Fickel ate in the mess hall Friday and expressed no little admiration for the quality of the food and the manner in which it was served. He expressed the opinion that he did not think that it was possible to serve all the boys that he saw marching into Sbis at one time. When he went in to eat, he was very pleased with the conduct of the Aggies as a whole and the ability of the subsistence department to handle all of them at once.

General Fickel said that this inspection did not mean that any of his men would be stationed here in the near future, but that in case of an overflow of their facilities elsewhere, they could send men here for ground school training. At this time there is not such overflow, but they are trying to stay ahead of the demand and are preparing for any eventuality that may arise.

Shortage Causes Mess Hall to Cut Glasses

There will be only one glass put at each place in the mess hall due to several factors, stated J. C. Hotard, supervisor of subsistence of the dining halls, Monday.

The mess halls have enough glasses at the present time to put two to a place, but there is a critical shortage of glasses predicted in the near future, according to Hotard, and with an eye toward future needs and availabilities caused the present change to be made.

Which Way Did He Go, George? Or the Death of Br'er Rabbit

By Tom Journey

Br'er Rabbit is dead. One of the most colorful full military funerals ever to be seen on this, or for that matter any other college campus, occurred Sunday evening at the Chapel-Under-the-Stars behind Dorm one.

The Right Reverend Fish Belvin officiated at the beautiful ceremony at which a multitude of close friends wept at the sublime beauty of the services rendered.

The corpse of Br'er Rabbit, a right religious young mascot of Headquarters Company Signal Corps, was borne on the strong shoulder of four pall bearers accompanied by many weeping friends to the place of the burial for the sublimely eloquent last rights.

The service was taken by the pastor from that great book, that constant companion of all freshmen engineers, Drafting for Engineers, page 232.

Tears were flowing in the eyes of all without restraint as the classic words of the short sermon were wafted over the multitude: "The line of intersection of two surfaces is the locus of all points common to both. It is often necessary to..."

As these immortal words echoed

Correction Concerning Grades for Drafters Made by Registrar

In a story on grades that had to be made before a student inducted into service could receive credit for them which appeared in the Saturday Battalion, a mistake was made concerning the lowest grade that would be acceptable, the Registrar's office state Monday.

The correction is as follows: Those students called between August 15-31 inclusive, will receive credit for those subjects in which their grades are "A" or "B". However, those men called after August 31 will receive semester credit for subjects in which their grades are "A", "B", or "C", courses within 4 months after ap- that all seniors will register Friday, September 18, with classes being suspended at noon that day.

and reached across the tearful throats, a thirteen gun salute was fired paying due respect in a most military manner, befitting all activities on this campus, to the deceased little chum, and his tender body was lowered into the ground.

The circumstances surrounding the death of Br'er Rabbit were indeed tragic. The little cottontail appeared in Daniel Boone's room one morning several weeks back and was immediately taken into the fold. It seems that Headquarters Signal Corps has in one of its

New Songs Written By Cadets May Be Entered In The Aggie Singaroo

Have you written new lyrics to a song already composed? Do you think maybe they're pretty good? Well, now is the time to find out.

Richard Jenkins, director of "The Aggie Singaroo" announces that original lyrics to melodies, or for that matter entirely new songs—both words and music can be entered in the contest.

"The Aggie Singaroo" is operating under the auspices of the Intramural department with their full co-operation. All the outfits are invited to enter the contest, the only regulations being that at least 15 men from each outfit must enter, one third of those being freshmen, a third being sophomores, and another third being juniors.

The winner will be treated to an ice cream supper and a free picture show. All outfits entering must have their entries turned in by Friday.

Former Student Leads Leatherneck Solomons Attack

Aggies were prominently represented when the Marines for the first time landed troops on the Solomon Islands, stated United Press reports yesterday.

Captain E. J. Crane, class of '38, led the first marine company to land on the Solomon Islands in the present campaign.

They landed on the West side of a Florida Island promontory which overlooks the island fortress of Tulagi, which the raider battalion was to assault half an hour later. They met no opposition at this point, but later in the day saw some heavy action, the report stated.

On the heels of this company were the waves of leathernecks as the main strength of the assault swept up the west side of a Florida Island promontory overlooking the island fortress of Tulagi.

Crane is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Crane of 2817 Rosedale, Dallas, and attended A. & M. for two years from 1934 to 1936.

The leatherneck captain was born in San Angelo, entered high school at Dallas and after studying in several cities was graduated in Houston and then attended A. & M. for two years.

He worked for a drydock concern in Galveston and while there enlisted in the Marine Corps reserve from which he was called to active duty on November 7, 1940, as a Second Lieutenant. He received his Captaincy at a later date after seeing active service with the marines.

Fort Worth Club Meets Tonight for Important Business

The Fort Worth club will hold a meeting tonight immediately after yell practice in the Academic building to discuss very important business, announced the club's president.

Cavalry, Coast, Sig Corps, Ordnance, QMC Involved

Regiments to Be Moved Will Be Required To Live Three to a Room in Most Cases

In order to make room for the increase in attendance expected next semester, several changes in dormitory assignments have been announced by the Commandant's office. These changes are necessary because of a probable 800 to 1000 man increase in enrollment and because the sailors and marines are occupying six dormitories normally used by students.

The Cavalry Regiment will move into Hart Hall on September 17 or 18, after the men have arranged individually to exchange and move into the rooms assigned. Two men

Specifications For Vanity Fair and Favorites Clarified

Deadline Set for September 15 for Favorites; Deadline For Club Section October 1

Editor of the 1943 Longhorn Johnny Longley announced today that all the pictures which are to appear in the Vanity Fair section are due September 15. The pictures both for Vanity Fair and the Senior Favorite cannot be submitted in any size, as previously announced, but must conform to the following standards, Longley said.

For the Vanity Fair, three pictures must be submitted in all—an 8 x 10 inch full length, formal dress; a 5 x 7 inch full length, sport or street dress; and a 5 x 7 inch close up. All the pictures must be glossy prints. Walter Wanger, producer of the motion picture featuring A. & M., will judge the Vanity Fair photographs.

Pictures for the Senior Favorite Section must be glossy print, 5 x 7 inch close ups. The charges will be \$3 for the Vanity Fair photograph, which includes a free picture in the Senior Favorites section; and \$1.50 for the Senior Favorites itself.

Reservations for club pictures must be made at the student activities office not later than October 1.

Officers Guides May Be Ordered This Week

Copies of the Officer's Guide can still be obtained from the Student Activities office, but as there are not enough orders to send off at this time, they are being held until more orders are handed in.

Soph Dance Leader



Francis Beasley, pretty young southwest Orchestra leader, who used to be featured on Leighton Noble's Orchestra, will grace the bandstand in Sbis Hall for the Sophomore dance Friday night. (See story elsewhere on this page).

Dallas Club Meets To Make Final Plans For Mid-term Dance

In a recent meeting, the Dallas A. & M. Club voted to have a dance at mid-term. The final arrangements for the dance which is to be held at the Plantation on September 22, in Dallas, will be discussed at a meeting of the club tonight at 7:15 o'clock in the "Y" Chapel, Tommie Pierce, president of the club, announced.

There has been a very noticeable absence of freshmen at the past club meetings which seems to be due to the fact that they do not think that they are members of the club. This is a misunderstanding, as any boy at A. & M. from Dallas is a member of the club and is urged to attend all the meetings he can, Pierce said.

All men that are planning to come to the meeting tonight for final arrangements are to be made at this time.

McDonald to Speak To AAUP Tonight

Representative W. T. McDonald will address the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the North Lounge of the Y.M.C.A.

The subject of his address will deal with the mechanism of legislative appropriations for Texas A. & M. College and other States supported schools, announced G. J. Samuelson, Secretary of the A.A. U.P. Chapter in this area.