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Wanger Holds Contest for Word Picture of Aggie Spirit

Cavalry Weekend Brings Herbie Kay To Campus; Sat Horse Show, Polo Game Highlight Horsemen's Festivities

Upperclassmen Wear No 1 Wools; Show in Afternoon

Herbie Kay and his orchestra fire the opening gun Friday night in Sbisahall at 9:00 p. m. on a packed weekend for the Cavalry boys, their dates, friends, and relatives.

The uniform for the ball has been set as number one wool uniform for upperclassmen, and the winter number two for freshmen and sophomores. The hours for the ball are from 9 'till 1.

Saturday afternoon the annual cavalry horse show takes place as the highlight of the weekend's activities. This year the show will be an all military affair with no cillians allowed entry. Events for freshmen and sophomores as well as jumping events for juniors and seniors will be the feature attractions at the meet, along with several gag events, states Lt. W. G. North, Jr., Cavalry instructor.

Saturday night Herbie Kay and the boys will swing out again from the Sbisahall for a corps dance.

Polo will wind up what promises to be one of the gayest weekends of the fall social season, when the cadet poloists go into action Sunday afternoon at the polo field located on the south side of the old Cavalry Drill Field.

A&M Profs Conduct Defense Course At Prairie View Normal

Like A&M's short civilian defense courses, there will be a ten-day training course at Prairie View Normal School including instruction in aerial attack, was protection, incendiary protection, plant protection, and bomb disposal. Four A&M professors; Dr. W. A. Varvel, Dr. T. O. Walton, Jr., Professor Brook, and Professor Groneman are driving fifty miles to the school to teach various courses during vacancies in their class schedule at A&M.

Prairie View, a branch of A&M, is a co-ecolored school with a negro ROTC unit. The negroes are maintained in dormitories like any other college, while the colored members of the defense course are temporarily housed and fed by school facilities. They pay nothing but personal expenditure to get the government's civilian training course.

The training program comes under the eighth service command's chemical warfare service, headed by Lt. Col. Harold R. Brayton, stationed here. Captain S. R. McInnis, work secretary C. W. S. says the army officers and A&M professors work together to put over the courses, yet the C. W. S. is controlled by Washington, not the college. The eighth service command C. W. S. is stationed here because of the classroom and dormitory conveniences.

ASCE Meets At Hensel Park Tonight

The American Society of Civil Engineers will hold its last outdoor meeting of the season tonight at Hensel Park. Chapter President J. C. Denney announced that, as usual, the program will feature soft-ball and hot dogs. Transportation will leave the C. E. building promptly at 6:15 and all new and old Civil Engineering students are invited to be present.

A very important meeting of the Singing Cadets will be held tonight in Assembly hall. Ken Darby will be there to audition the club. Richard Jenkins strongly requests that all men be present.

Ag Eco Prof Makes Study of Houston Bank This Summer

Returns to College With Favorable Report About Efficiency, Services

Harley Bebout, assistant professor of Agricultural Economics, has returned to his duties at A. & M. following a summer employment with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston.

Bebout represented the School of Agriculture of the college in a cooperative training program under which a college staff member was given an opportunity to make a first-hand study of the bank's operations.

Bebout not only spent time working the various departments of the Bank, but also visited the various financial agencies which discount paper with the Bank.

In a report on his summer experience, Bebout said he had gained a most favorable impression of the services the bank is rendering to "Texas agriculture and of the efficiency with which the institution is administered.

Brazos Exes Try To Tell Movie Men What Makes Aggies

Rawlins Leads Discussion In Attempt to Understand Inner Workings of A&M

High point of the regular monthly meeting of the Brazos county A. & M. club Monday night was a discussion led by Jack Rawlins, director of "We've Never Been Licked", states E. N. Holmgreen, secretary-treasurer of the club.

Rawlins' purpose in attending the meeting was to determine just what it is that makes Texas Aggies, Aggies all their lives. Director Rawlins is trying to determine just why the Aggie spirit predominates the whole life of every Aggie past and present.

After this question was put before the meeting a general discussion was held on the subject, but strangely enough, states Holmgreen no one could actually give the reasons or tell why the spirit actually stays with the graduate all his life.

If anyone has any suggestions on the answer to this question, he might read elsewhere in this issue of The Battalion about a profitable contest along these lines.

Also during the meeting of the club, George Garrett, District Highway Engineers gave a report on the progress of the work on the new supplemental highway being built, and Charles Leighton, of the Engineering Experiment Station reported on the airport improvement project.

Battalion Magazine To Be Issued This Week or Early Next

The October issue of the Battalion magazine will be ready either the latter part of this week or early next week, John Holman, magazine editor announced today.

Usually issued when the corps registers for the fall semester, this issue has been delayed because of the extra time involved in preparing a 40 page magazine, as compared with the usual 20 or 24 pages.

Featured this month will be an article giving the lowdown on other Southwestern college's female clientele, and some pertinent facts about the football team. Also in this issue will be social and football schedules for your bulletin board, as well as articles on Town Hall, the social season, and the usual supplement of fiction.



Furnishes Cavalry Music

Officers Speak To Corps Today About Procurement Board

Classes Dismiss at 3 PM; Frosh Assemble in Guion; Others in Assembly Hall

Information will be represented the Corps today at 3 p.m. by five officers representing the various armed services as a presentation board of the joint Army-Navy Marine-Coast Guard College Officer Procurement Program.

Freshmen and frogs will assemble at Guion hall for the addresses at 3:00 p.m. promptly, while the Sophomores and Juniors will meet at the Assembly hall, Attendance is compulsory for all under classmen and those upper classmen who do not have contracts are urged to be present.

Classes will be excused for all students at 2:50 for the talks. Two of the men are former Aggies. They are Lt. John Pierce, U. S. N. R., representing naval aviation, a former football and basketball player in the early twenties; and Jim A. Powell, U. S. M. C. representing the Marine Corps. Powell finished A. & M. in 1941 and went direct to the marines.

There will be no actual enlistments taken at the meeting today, but recruiting officers will be here on the campus in a week or 10 days, states Dean Bolton.

It is urged that all cadets attending the informational talks be at the meeting places promptly at 3:00 p.m.

After the talks on the various branches of the armed services, the officers will be open for questions in regard to enlistments in any of those branches.

Orchestra Leader Finds Talent; Holds Record for "Firsts"

By John Holman

When the Cavalry Regiment puts on its glad rags tomorrow night and trips lightly up the front steps of Sbisahall, they won't be going in for one of Hotard's suppers, but to do a little hotfooting to the sparkling rhythms of a lad called Kay—Herbie Kay to be more specific.

Although the slogan belongs to Sammy, "swing and sway" fits Herbie about as well as it fits Samuel, cause the boy really has a lot on the ball.

But just who is this Herbie Kay? Well, if you are walking around the campus this week-end and run into a real man in someone who looks like he should either be in the movies or playing left guard for the Green Bay Packers, look out, brother, you've run into Kay. Herbie is stacked up so neatly, that nearly every city he and his outfit visit makes him an honorary member of the local constabulary. Whether or not he has ever been a real policeman is a question for debate, but the fact remains that Herbie is a full-fledged keeper of the peace.

Ever since he organized his first orchestra while attending Northwestern University, where he was a member of Sigma Epsilon frat (but not a frat rat), he has become well-known for his ability in discovering and promoting promising new talent.

It isn't likely that many of the Cavalry boys, or the rest of the corps who will attend the corps dance Saturday night, know what a "firstologist" is, much less having seen one. Well, take a gander at Herbie Friday or Saturday night and you will behold the spectacle of a "firstologist".

He got the name stuck onto him by being the first orchestra leader to be honored with five record engagements at the swanky Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago; first nationally known name orchestra to play four consecutive seasons at the smart Meadowbrook Country Club in St. Louis; first prize winner in attendance records in orchestra leader popularity at the Texas Centennial Exposition; first leader to recognize the talent of Dorothy Lamour and Shirley Lloyd. Both have become stellar attractions in the amusements world.

First Prize Is Introduction To Anne Gwyne, \$50 Bond

Seeks to Capture Meaning of Being An Aggie; New Title Also Sought

For the best essay on just what the individual Aggie thinks is meant by "the Spirit of Aggieland," the producers of the Walter Wanger picture "We've Never Been Licked" will award prizes totaling \$75 and a personal introduction to the feminine lead in the film, Anne Gwyne, according to G. Byron Winstead, college director of publicity who is assisting the production staff on the movie.

"We want the boys to draw us a verbal picture of just what a Texas Aggie looks like, and they may do it in anyway they see fit. Funny happenings, jokes or pictures will be fine, just as long as they illustrate what going to school down here means to a boy," Winstead said.

First prize will be a \$50 War Bond and a personal introduction to Anne Gwyne which promises to be "more than just a handshake" according to those who will arrange the meeting. Second prize will be a \$25 War Bond. Both prizes will be personally presented by Jack Rawlins, director of the picture.

All Aggies should enter this contest, as Wanger, Rawlins and their staff are anxious to capture the real meaning of the spirit and traditions behind A. & M. states Winstead. No limit has been set as to the length of the entries, and they will not be judged on grammar, spelling, or form. Judges will be Wanger, Rawlins, E. E. McQuillen, of the Former Students Association, and E. N. Holmgreen college business manager.

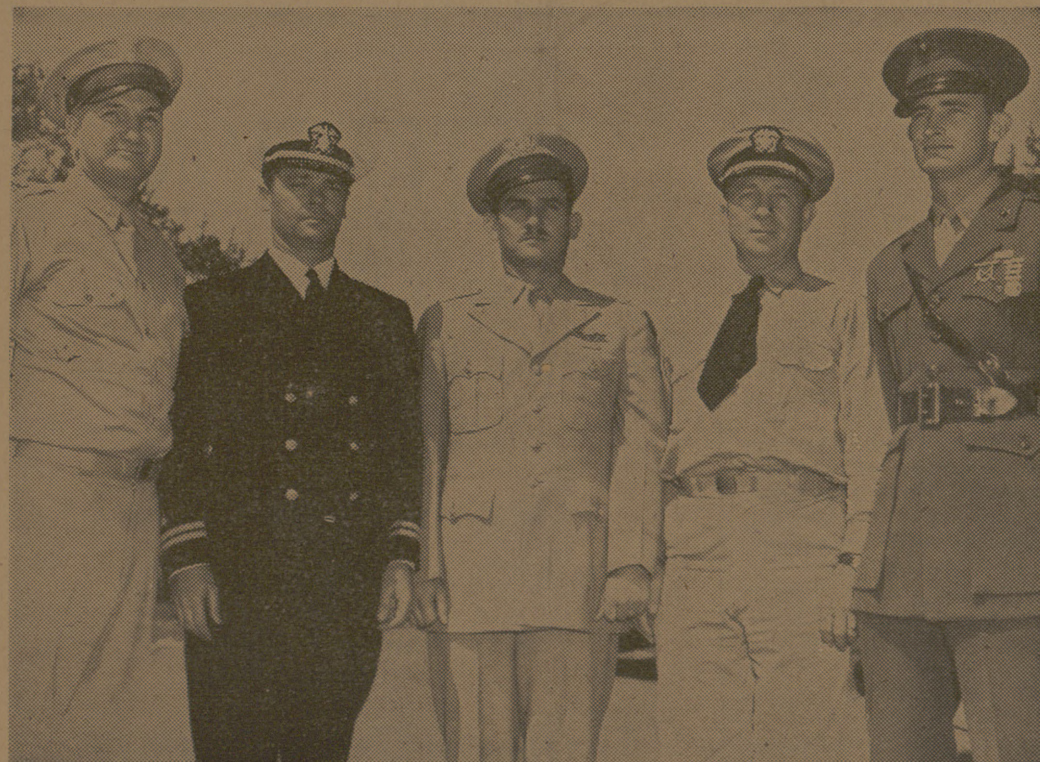
Winstead stressed the fact that everyone should enter this contest, not only for the prizes but also to aid the movie-makers in instilling the spirit of Aggieland into the film so deeply from the first, that when the climax is reached everyone in the audience will be able to realize its full significance.

The present title of the picture, "We've Never Been Licked", is not satisfactory, but has been used so far because no better one has been suggested. All those entering the contest should also pick a title and put it on their entry papers somewhere. This will not figure in the judgement, but will be of great assistance to the producers.

Entries should be delivered in person to the publicity office on the fourth floor of the Administration building, and as Rawlins and his staff are returning to Hollywood next Wednesday, entries should be in well before that time. However, this does not close the contest and entries will be accepted after that time.

Typing and neat appearance do not count against any entry, but will facilitate reading.

Tell Aggies How to Get Commissions



Above are shown the officers who will address the corps this afternoon about the College Officer Procurement Program. From left to right they are Capt. C. A. Linthicum, USA, representing the army; Lt. Maurice Angly, USNR, representing the navy and coast guard; Lt.

Mason Harrell, USA, representing the army air corps; Lt. John A. Pierce, USNR, representing the naval air corps, and Lt. Jim P. Prowell, USMC, representing the marine corps. Prowell and Pierce are both ex-Aggies.

Leading Southwest Newspapermen Will Address Convention

Maj Crown of New Orleans Speaks on "Newspapers and War"; Texas Ex. on History

Journalism students of Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma will be entertained by two of the Southwest's finest newspapermen during the 16th annual meeting here of the Southwestern Journalism Congress and Students' Press Club October 15-17.

Major James E. Crown, editor of the New Orleans States, will speak on "Newspapers and the War"; and Silas B. Ragsdale, editor of the Galveston News and Tribune, will speak on "After 25 Years".

Under Major Crown's leadership the New Orleans States has made remarkable growth and has played an important part in State, National and Civic affairs. While owned by the New Orleans Times-Picayune, the States works independently of the parent paper, and runs it a close second in the area it serves.

Ragsdale, a graduate of the University of Texas school of journalism 25 years ago, has spent his entire newspaper career under one employer, beginning as a cub reporter and rising through all of the editorial positions to editorship. The Galveston paper last year celebrated its 100th birthday, and Ragsdale was the guiding force in issue of one of the finest and most complete anniversary editions ever produced in Texas.

John Longley, editor of the Longhorn, A. & M. year book, is president of the organization, and will be official host to the visiting student journalists from Baylor, Hardin-Simmons, Louisiana State university, Oklahoma A. & M. college, Mary Hardin-Baylor college, Southern Methodist university, Texas as Christian university, Texas State College for Women, Texas Tech, Tulane, University of Oklahoma and University of Texas.

Dr. John Ashton, of the Rural Sociology department, heads the Southwestern Journalism Teachers group, and will be host to that organization's representatives in attendance.

Purpose of the conference is to allow journalism students and student publications workers to gather and exchange ideas. A complete program of entertainment has been arranged for the visitors to the campus, including attendance at the Southwest Conference football game between the Aggies and the TCU Horned Frogs October 17.

McClellan Mothers' Club Pledges \$100 Toward Furnishings

One hundred dollars has been pledged by the McClellan County Mother's club toward the YMCA lounge and furnishings. Gordon Gay, Bill Galloway, Steve Kaffer, and Brooks Cofer went to Waco last Friday to address the club and discuss future plans and details.

Houston Club Meets To Discuss Dance

There will be an important meeting of the Houston A. & M. club in the YMCA chapel immediately after yell practice tonight.

According to Chuck Chalmers, president of the club, plans for the Christmas dance will be discussed.

Herbie Kay and his orchestra will be available for an hour concert Saturday night in Sbisahall from 8 to 9 o'clock if there are enough students who will attend.

Should you desire to hear Kay's Orchestra for the admission price of a 25 cent War Stamp, fill in the blank below and turn it in to your first sergeant.

I intend to buy a 25 cent War Stamp Saturday night as the price of admission to the Herbie Kay concert. (Turn in to First Sergeant)

Chinese Scholar Will Speak Here Saturday, Sunday

War Refugee Points Out War Needs of Students In China, Other Parts of World

Homer Chin-Chen Loh (pronounced Law), who has himself had experience as a war refugee student and who is admirably fitted to serve the cause of student war relief, will be a visitor under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. Saturday and Sunday. He is a fine interpreter of the situation of Chinese students to their fellow-students in this country. He has a possessing knowledge of the needs of student war relief in other parts of the world.

Loh holds an LL.B. degree from Soochow University. Since coming to this country in 1939, he has been a student at Crozer Theological Seminary; and with a Crozer fellowship he has also studied at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1941 he received his M. A. degree there in the field of Sociology. He holds an Oriental Certificate from Crozer Seminary. During the past year he has done a substantial part of the study necessary for the doctorate.

During his college years, Loh was chairman of the YMCA at Soochow university and he has been President of the Chinese Students' Club of Philadelphia. His inter-collegiate experience has been broad. He was a student delegate to the Christian Student Conference in Japan in 1930, and he has attended many intercollegiate gatherings in this country. He has been a leader in conferences and assemblies and has served as a camp counselor in Pittsfield, Mass.

His marked speaking ability and his attractive personality combined with his experience and knowledge of student relief to make him an excellent representative of the World Student Service Fund, states M. L. Cashion, YMCA secretary. Loh will speak in various churches Sunday.

Enrollment Breaks All Time Record

Registration at A. & M. not only was beyond expectations but set a new all-time enrollment record for two semesters starting June 1 when 7671 students enrolled in the college, Registrar H. L. Heaton announced Wednesday.

The increase of 693 students over the 6978 registered for 1941-42 school year was a gain of approximately ten per cent whereas most of the schools in the country are showing a decrease in enrollment.

Largest gain was made in the School of Engineering and the gain there came mainly from students enrolled in aeronautical engineering.

A total of 5333 students were in school the first semester, June 1-Sept. 19, and for the current semester there are 6481 now attending classes. The total head count, or different individuals enrolled for the two semesters gave the 7671 record mark.

Saturday Last Day To Drop Courses

Final day for dropping of courses and registration for new courses will be Saturday, October 10, it was announced today by the office of the registrar.

After that date, students will not be allowed to register for new courses or drop courses without penalty.