

Annual Press Banquet To Be Held In Sbis Hall Tonight

Angell to Make Principle Address;
Bolton Presents Keys, Watches to Members

Tonight the annual banquet of the Texas A. & M. Press Club will be held in the banquet room of Sbis Hall at 7:30. Press Club President Ed Gordon urges that all members attend, and invitations have been sent out through the first sergeants. E. L. Angell, executive assistant to the president will be the speaker of the evening.

Immediately after eating, keys and other awards will be given to various members by Dean F. C. Bolton, dean of the college. E. L. Angell, L. D. Boone, acting manager of student activities, and members of the teaching staff will also be present.

Three Ways City Residents Can Aid Local Defense Told

Tin Cans for Scrap, Water
Leaks, and Fire Alarms Are
Important Points of Defense

Three more definite ways in which the local residents of College Station can help in the civilian defense of this community are announced by L. D. Smith, business manager of the City government.

First, citizens are asked to separate all their tin cans from garbage which is placed for pick-up by the city truck. These cans should then be taken to the city tin scrap pile which is located at the east gate of the college across from College Hills. According to Smith many are already placing their tin cans in the pile, where the metal can then be sent to be used in defense production.

Next all water leaks occurring off the campus in College Hills, South Oakwood, College Park, West Park, or the North Gate area should be reported as soon as discovered to the City office. This will naturally reduce the mosquito hazard should the water collect, and will also prevent the loss of valuable water.

Third, is the problem of fire prevention and the cost of this to the city or to the tax payers in the city. The city government has an agreement with the College for the use of fire fighting equipment owned by the college and operated by a volunteer group who work in the B. & C. U. Department. The cost to the city for each call is \$25, and then also there is the loss of time from work of the fire-fighter besides the danger to lives rushing to the scene on a high-powered truck.

Citizens should cooperate in every way possible and use their discretion in reporting calls. Vacant lots should be kept clean and fire hazards around the home should be abolished. If there is a fire on a lot which is not dangerous to any surrounding buildings see that the fire is checked and do not turn an alarm in unless the fire becomes uncontrollable. Should a building be on fire turn in the alarm as usual. "Every person should cooperate in this movement which will be greatly appreciated by the city and the College as well," Smith said.

Walton, Bolton Go To Washington For Land Grant Meeting

Dr. T. O. Walton, president of the college, and Dean F. C. Bolton, college dean, are in Washington attending meetings of the Executive Committee of the Land Grant College Association and officials of the ROTC schools. Walton is attending the Land Grant meet, and Bolton is representing A. & M. at the ROTC meet.

According to E. L. Angell, executive assistant to the president, these meetings may not necessarily clear up the confused picture now confronting A. & M. students, but if anything important is arrived at concerning the status of students here next semester, Bolton would wire the news back, and it would be given to the Battalion and corps immediately.

"I would advise students to continue their work, and make plans for the next semester," Angell said. "Students who might be called out after the next semester starts should not worry about losing their money, because according to present college regulation, that which has not been used will be refunded."

Awards will be given to 87 members, all of whom have been actively engaged in working on any of the student publications. Watches will be awarded to Brooks Cofer, Battalion editor; Ken Bresnen, Battalion associate editor; Reggie Smith, Battalion advertising manager; John Longley, Langhorn editor; Harry Kunkel, Longhorn associate editor; Ray Terrell, Longhorn business manager; Jack Miller, Agriculturist editor and Ed Gordon, Engineer editor.

Third year gold keys will be given to six members, men who have worked for three years; silver keys will be awarded 36 men having worked two years; and first year keys will be given to 46 freshmen and sophomores who have worked one year.

All students taking active part in any student publication are members of the Press Club and are welcome at the banquet. According to custom, dates are not brought to the banquet.

After the banquet, the Press Club will hold a short business session in the lounge of Sbis Hall, during which next year's officers will be elected.

Singing Cadets To Sing for Third Time on Town Hall

Aggieland's Singing Cadets, under the direction of Richard Jenkins, will present their third annual Town Hall program Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in Guion Hall, Town Hall Manager John Lawrence said late yesterday.

Recently returned from a four-day tour of the Houston area, during which they won acclaim from all who heard them, the 110-voice all-male glee club was scheduled to appear before Town Hall audiences March 15, but due to unsettled conditions the program was jumped to January 12.

Their program will be in two parts, the first of which will consist of religious and classical selections. The latter portion will be military airs and novelty selections.

Feature of the evening will be a new five-part arrangement of "The Spirit of Aggieland" made for the Singing Cadets by Ken Darby, musical director for Universal Pictures. According to Jenkins, "You've never really heard the 'Spirit' until you have heard this arrangement. You may be inspired by the Band playing it, or at final review, but as a beautiful piece of music, it can stand alone in this fine arrangement."

Although definite plans have not been completed, a guest artist will appear with the Cadets Tuesday night. Also to be featured is a musical-background narration similar to the one presented on the Showtime broadcast a few weeks ago.

Jenkins said that this year's Singing Cadets are by far the best group ever assembled on the campus, that the voices are more evenly matched, and together will make this one of the outstanding Town Hall presentations of the year.

Ag Engineers Will Hold Meeting Tonight

The last meeting of the student branch of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers for this semester will be held in the Ag Engineering building tonight, January 7, at 8 o'clock.

Every member of the A.S.A.E. is urged by the club's president, J. W. Otto, to be present, as a former senior in Ag engineering will speak on something of interest.

An election of officers for the next semester will be held during a short business session after the talk.

Kuykendall, Pettit Elected Yell Leaders

Colonel Chevalier To Speak at Aero, C E Clubs' Banquet

Annual Affair Will Be
Held Friday in Sbis Hall;
Tickets Available Today

Colonel Willard Chevalier, vice-president of McGraw-Hill Publishing Company and editor of Business Week, will be the chief speaker at the annual banquet of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences and the American Society of Civil Engineers to be held Friday, January 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the banquet room of Sbis hall.

These two student organizations are holding their banquet jointly this year so that more students might have an opportunity to hear the speaker. Rocky Sutherland, Senior class president and representative of the A.S.C.E. on the Engineering Council, will introduce the speaker and act as master of ceremonies. Prizes will be presented to outstanding students, and officers for the next school session will be elected.

Tickets for the banquet may be obtained at the Aeronautical engineering office, C. E. office, or from either of the club presidents.

Nancy Swinford Sings for Crowd Of Twelve Hundred

Mrs. Nancy Swinford, noted Houston soprano, sang Tuesday night in Guion Hall before a Town Hall audience of approximately 1200 persons. She was accompanied by Ernest Hoffman, conductor of the Houston Symphony orchestra.

Her program, in two parts, included purely classical selections in the first half, and lighter, semi-classical songs in the second half.

Singing as soloist with the Houston and Lake Charles symphony orchestras, Miss Swinford's power and brilliance have won her praise from prominent music critics in Houston, Lake Charles, and other southern cities.

Red Cross School Convenes Friday At Headquarters

A Red Cross Nursery School will be opened at the Red Cross Headquarters at College Station Friday morning, January 8th. The hours will be from nine to twelve a.m. Children from the ages of two to six will be supervised and entertained according to the requirements of age groups. Mrs. Nat Edmonson has been appointed Nursery School Chairman of the Red Cross and she will be assisted by mothers of the children who are attending the Nursery School. Mrs. Joe Davis and Mrs. Edmonson will be in charge this week. This project will be continued Friday morning of each week as long as it seems advisable to those in charge.

This is a cooperative project instituted by the Red Cross for the benefit of mothers who would like to help the Red Cross meet the surgical dressing quotas on schedule. This work is lagging because of insufficient help, and it was thought that those mothers who spend their mornings in a struggle between housework and keeping an eye on the youngster, and possibly their neighbor's youngster, would welcome an opportunity to give some much needed help to their country and have their children cared for at the same time. Fresh cotton dresses, smocks, overalls, aprons, or blouses with a washable covering for the hair are the acceptable forms of dress. No jewelry or nailpolish is worn and hands must be washed before entering the room. There will be supervisors to instruct in the making of the dressings.

Each mother will take her child or children directly to the upstairs rooms where the nursery school will be held. Every effort will be made by those in charge to maintain the room.

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To the Corps:

Due to the failure of the War Department to work out final plans for the utilization of the facilities of colleges and universities for the training of men for the war effort some students' parents seem to be confused with regard to whether the students of this College will have an opportunity to go ahead with their program of academic training. Some have raised the question whether boys who have not entered the College should enroll for the coming semester. They seem to feel that the War Department contemplates taking over the College completely.

These viewpoints are based upon rumors of which we do not know the source. There has been no disposition of which we have knowledge upon the part of the War Department to take over this institution. Our counsel to parents, students and prospective students is that they continue to carry on because while the institutional authorities may find it necessary to make adjustments to meet situations as they arise, the College will continue to operate. Classes will be continued the next semester as they have in the past, therefore students and parents should not hesitate, in our opinion, to go ahead with plans for securing academic training that will enable the student to make his largest contribution to the war effort.

If and when decisions are made by those in authority that affect the students in this college, the students and their parents will be promptly notified of these decisions.

T. O. WALTON,
President.

Plans For Fish-Frog Ball Gain Impetus; Transportation Worry

By Bill Jarnagin

In spite of a slow start on ticket sales, the Freshman Ball is now expected to be very successful. Ticket sales and prospects have picked up considerably; however the transportation situation is hindering dates somewhat.

As a personal plug for the event, fellow freshmen, let's keep in mind that the traditional Freshman Ball is our greatest affair of the year and has always offered plenty of color and entertainment. In the past the fellowship and spirit of this night has been incomparable. As all of you know, we drop handles at the ball and really cut loose for a big night. The seniors will be our guests, so let's all turn out to show them we can stick together too. If you don't have a date, grab a Bryan 400 or your roommate and come along.

Tickets are on sale in every dorm. If your dorm's representative happens to come around when you're not there, go to him for a ticket as soon as possible. Since no dancing is allowed on Sunday, the dance must end at 12, midnight, which has caused the freshmen to select 8 o'clock as starting time. Tuxedos or number one uniform may be worn by all. Dorm 15 will be open for dates from Saturday afternoon at 3 till Sunday noon, announces Charles McWilliams, president of the freshman class.

Freshmen helping manage the ball are: W. L. Moore and Cliff Whitehead, co-chairmen of the Advisory Committee; W. L. Terrell and Albert R. Orssinger, charge of tickets in general; Charles McWilliams, charge of finance committee.

Funeral Services for Mrs. O. E. Beezley will be held in Santone

Funeral services for Mrs. O. E. Beezley, who died Sunday night at Camp Livingston, La., where Col. Beezley is stationed, will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Porter-Loring funeral home in San Antonio.

The Beezleys are remembered by a number of friends of this community as he was connected with the Military department for a number of years before being transferred to Louisiana. Col. Beezley was senior instructor for the Field Artillery regiment while here.

Cattleman's Ball
To Be Held Saturday

Members of the Saddle and Sirloln Club and the Cream and Kow Klub will hold their annual Cattleman's Ball Friday night, January 8, in the Sbis Hall Annex, with the Aggeland Orchestra furnishing the music.

New officers of both organizations will be introduced at the dance, according to Wilbur Hahn.

Election Over in Fourteen Minutes Only Fifty Attend Joint Meeting;

Dan Kuykendall, D Troop Cavalry, and Joe Pettit, A Infantry, were elected new Junior yell leaders last night by a joint meeting of the sophomore and junior classes in the Assembly Hall. Only about fifty persons showed up for the election and it was over in exactly fourteen minutes. This sets a new record for the low spot in student representation at an important election, and the high mark for shortness of session. Gordon Brin was the defeated candidate.

Unusual about the meeting was the lack of interest and attendance, and the quiet, peaceful atmosphere that prevailed. Previous student assemblies election have been madhouses of confusion and racket.

Sid Smith, president of the Junior Class, Stewart Cartwright, secretary-treasurer of the Junior Class, Billy McKenzie and Shorty Booth, senior yell leaders next year, and a few other juniors conducted the meet.

"This beats anything I've ever seen around here. I know everybody is mixed up about the war, and some were at the basketball game early, but I have never thought I'd see as little interest as this displayed in an election as important as this one," said Cartwright, commenting on the lack of attendance.

All three candidates made short talks to the voters, and a vote was immediately taken. Each man was allowed to vote twice as two men were to be elected. It was unanimous for both the elected.

Because of the utter lack of juniors at the meeting, no junior class meeting was held after the election.

Ring Dance Tickets Go on Sale Friday Noon in Ross Hall

Those Buying Tickets
Will Receive Free
Corps Dance Ducats

Tickets for the Senior Ring dance and dance will go on sale Friday noon in the cadet corps headquarters in Ross Hall. Seniors buying both of these tickets will be given a corps dance ticket free, which will otherwise cost the usual \$1.10.

Barney Rapp will play for the Senior Ring dance Friday, January 15, and the corps dance Saturday, January 16. Also Rudy Wright, vocalist, and the New Englander's Glee Club will entertain the dancers.

Rocky Sutherland, president of the senior class, has appointed Ed Gordon head of the committee board and invitation committee; John Lawrence head of the program committee; Adolph Specia, head of the banquet committee; Jack Baird, head of the Favors committee; and Moffett Adams, head of the decoration committee.

Group Hospitalization Semi-Annual Premium Of \$7.00 Is Now Due

The semi-annual premium of \$7.00 for the group hospitalization and surgical reimbursement insurance of college employees for the period beginning January 23 is now due according to J. Wheeler Barger, secretary. Please mail checks to "Group Hospitalization Plan, Faculty Exchange."

Signal Corps, Cavalry Stage Combination Problem in Field

By Tom Journey

"Baker from east. Message for commanding officer, First Cavalry Squadron. Attack at zero hour." "Cast from Baker, Roger."

Thus for the first time in the history of A. & M. military training, close cooperation was attained between two different branches in actual field maneuvers, as two Cavalry troops engaged one another with two signal companies supplying the communication as a supporting arm.

The maneuvers are taking place this week and next week out on the Brazos bottoms, southwest of the campus. The Cavalry troops are split up into a red and a blue force one group mounted, one dismounted each with its attached signal communication troops.

Seniors Must Take Final Physical Exams January 16

Board Will Arrive
On Campus January 11;
Will Examine 577 Srs

Seniors who will complete their military science this semester must take their final type physical examination before they leave on January 16, stated Lieutenant Colonel A. J. Bennett, adjutant.

The Board of Examining officers will be here next Monday, January 11 for the purpose of beginning the exams, stated the adjutant.

Seniors must report to their senior instructor to get the exact date an hour for their individual physical, stated the adjutant, since it will be impossible to get all the examinations completed without a definite schedule and strict following of that schedule.

Those 577 seniors who expect to go to camp on graduation are the ones that must have finished the examination to be allowed to go to camp, added Bennett.

Valedictorian Of Senior Class Will Be Elected Friday

Balloting for valedictorian of the senior class will be held Friday January 8 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the rotunda of the academic building. The selection will be made from the ten seniors having the highest grade point average for their four years in college.

No list of those eligible is available for publication at this time. Ballots will be used in the election and will be given to those eligible to vote on request. These seniors who have senior rings or who are entitled to them will be given a ballot. All seniors are urged to vote in the election of one of the most important officers in the senior class, stated Rocky Sutherland, president of class of '42.

Dr Kimball Talks To I E Club Members

Thursday night, January 7, at 8:30, the Industrial Education club will have its regular bi-monthly meeting in the Engineering Shops Building.

Feature attraction will be a lecture by Dr. T. F. Kimball, professor of Industrial Engineering at A. & M. He was formerly Dean of Engineering at Cornell University, Ithica, N. Y.