

Freshman Ball Assured After Brief Uncertainty

Tux or Number 1 Uniform Will Be Reg; Seniors To Be Guests of Freshman Class

Enough tickets have been sold to assure the financial success of the annual freshman ball to be held tonight in Sbis Hall, states Charles McWilliams, president of the freshman class.

The time has been changed to 8:30 p.m. instead of 8 as was previously announced. Ticket sales in the dormitories ended last night but tickets will be available at the door for all those who failed to secure theirs previously.

Regulation uniform for the event will be the number one uniform with khaki shirts and black ties. Tuxedos may be worn if desired instead of the uniform. Dormitory 15 is being vacated for the visiting girls and the commandant's office stated that the first two floors were filled-terday at noon.

Curly Brient's Aggeland Orchestra will furnish music for the ball tonight. Seniors will be the guests of the freshman class.

Freshmen managing the dance are W. L. Moore and Cliff Whitehead co-chairman of the advisory committee; W. L. Terrell and Albert R. Orssinger, general ticket sales; McWilliams, chairman of the finance committee and M. A. Coulter and J. K. Oliver, decorations committee.

Agronomy Society Elects Officers For Next Semester

In the last business meeting of the current semester, the Agronomy Society met last Thursday night in the Agriculture building to elect new officers for the coming year.

Since there were only a few of the members of the society present at the meeting, only two of the officers were elected; there were Jack Barton, president, and Lacy Wheeler, vice-president. The remainder of the officers that will be left vacant by the graduating seniors in the club will be filled in an election which will be held at the first meeting of the next semester.

Other business included in the meeting was the showing of two motion pictures; the first of these were moving pictures taken of the Cotton Ball held last May 2. The second picture included scenes of the winners of the last cotton contest in their tour of Mexico. Winners of this trip were F. G. Colard, E. D. Wilmeth, B. A. Waddle, and G. C. McGouirk. R. C. Potts, instructor in the agronomy department, was also a member of the party.

Library Movies Review Life Of Peter the Great Tonight at 8

At seven and nine tonight in the Ashbury Browsing Room of the Library those who are interested are privileged to see what has been called by some critics the best historical movie ever made. Concerning the Russian movie, Peter the Great, it is only fair to say that there have been differences of opinion. One reviewer called it "raw, rude, crude, vulgar, obvious", but even he admitted that other had found it something more.

That the story of boisterous, lusty, dynamic Peter, the first of Russia, is interesting no one can deny. The movie, which runs to ninety-five minutes in length, begins with that period of Peter's life when he was making ruthless war with Sweden and instituting his weeping reforms; it ends with the birth of his son.

Peter the Great was born into a wild, uncivilized country in a wild, uncivilized age. In childhood he witnessed the savage murders of his kinsmen and everyday cruelties which left lasting effects upon his mind. He was subject to the kind of personal insecurity which produced bizarre actions and limitations. In the movie we see him dining on cucumbers and, after his European travels, in which he encountered such amazements as people eating meat and not throwing the bones on the floor, he returned to Russia to force all his people to drink coffee and all his men to shave their beards. In one scene he performs whole sale beard cutting upon a gathering of boyars.

With his roaring, outrageous personal actions went always his ambition for Russia. He built



Physical Exams For Seniors Set For Monday January 11

Graduating seniors and those who will complete their military science this semester, must take their final physical examinations before they leave January 16, stated Lt. Col. A. J. Bennett, adjutant.

Monday, January 11, the examining officers will be here and begin examinations. Seniors must report to their military instructor to get the exact date and hour for their physical, since it will be impossible to get all the examinations completed without a definite schedule, stated Col. Bennett.

Physicals must be completed by the 577 seniors who expect to go to camp upon graduation, added Bennett.

Election of New Officers Held At Press Club Meeting

Boesch, Keith, and Longley Elected To Positions At Meeting Following Banquet

Gus Boesch, A Coast Artillery, and junior advertising assistant on the Battalion staff, was elected president of the 1943 Press Club in a business session held after the annual banquet Thursday night in Sbis Hall. Jack Keith, A Signal Corps, was elected vice-president, and Joe Dan Longley, H Infantry sophomore, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Boesch will succeed Edwin Gordon, G Infantry and editor of the Engineer for the past year.

The Press Club is made up of all active members of any A. & M. student publication's staff. During the past year, the club played host to the Southwestern Journalism Congress.

Walton, Other State Officials Confer in Capital

Texas Secretary of State Lawson, Senator W. Lee O'Daniel, Dr. T. O. Walton, Dean F. C. Bolton, and Dean E. J. Kyle have been conferring this week with the war manpower board in Washington. O'Daniel and Lawson stated that the Manpower Commission's present plan is to abolish the R.O.T.C. set-up at A&M and substitute a more direct military training here; however, O'Daniel declares he is strongly opposed to such a change and has pointed out A&M's efficient supply of Army officers in the past.

Dean Kyle, now in Washington to confer with manpower officials concerning draft regulations for agricultural majors, is expected to return Monday with other officials.

Engineering Groups Hear Col Chevalier

Engineering School Dismissed at 12 For Address Wednesday

Colonel Willard Chevalier, vice-president of McGraw-Hill Publishing company and editor of Business Week, opened a series of talks to engineering students last night at the joint meeting of the A. S. C. E. and Aeronautical Science clubs.

On Monday night at 7 p.m. he will speak to the Student Engineering Council in an informal meeting. The attendance at this meeting will be restricted to the members of that council.

Wednesday at 12 a.m. the students in the school of engineering will be dismissed from classes to attend the lecture by Colonel Chevalier in Guion hall. The subject of this address will be "What Price Victory in War and Peace." This talk will be given to guide the students in what will be expected of them after the war and to guide present seniors while they are on active duty after graduation. Colonel Chevalier stated in a letter to Dean Gibb Gilchrist.

All engineering clubs on the campus will meet together in the Chemistry Lecture Room at 8 p.m. Thursday when he will again speak to those men who are interested in what he will be able to tell them of engineering in general and its application in the present war.

Colonel Chevalier's visit is sponsored by the Student Engineering Council and has become an annual event in the program of engineering students each year.

Walter Jenkins Guest Artist With Cadets on Town Hall

Singing Cadets to Present New Rendition of "Spirit Of Aggeland" Tuesday

Walter R. Jenkins, internationally known song leader and baritone, will be guest artist with the Singing Cadets when they appear on Town Hall next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. He will be accompanied by Herbert Rohloff, Houston pianist.

Jenkins has appeared before the corps before, leading the singing at Guion Hall assemblies. He is the father of Richard Jenkins, director of the Singing Cadets.

Musical director of the First Methodist Church in Houston, his reputation, according to Houston critics, has spread with his ability to direct choirs and glee clubs, and make arrangements for them.

His presentation to a Town Hall audience with the Singing Cadets marks the first time in the history of the Singing Cadets—Town Hall series that a guest artist has appeared with them.

Jenkins' program will include Handel's "Hear Me, Ye Winds and Waves", an "Land of Hope and Glory", by Elgar. This selection by Elgar is the vocal arrangement of the British coronation "Pomp and Circumstances" march.

Feature of the Singing Cadets' program will be an entirely new arrangement of the "Spirit of Aggeland" by Ken Darby, musical director of Universal Pictures, made for the picture.

Seeger Promoted To Master Sergeant

Technical Sergeant E. Seeger, of the cavalry department recently received a promotion to master sergeant. Master Sergeant Seeger has been actively engaged in the Cavalry instructional work here since 1919.

Bill Galloway Elected As Senior Class Valedictorian

Winner Receives 92 of 209 Votes Cast Also Has Most Perfect Grade Point Ratio

William J. (Bill) Galloway was chosen yesterday as valedictorian of the senior class receiving 92 out of a total of 209 votes cast in the election. William Adkisson received the second highest number of votes with 41, followed by Walter W. Cardwell 26 votes, William Bever, 14 votes, Spencer Roe Baen, 9 votes.

The ten seniors who have the highest grade point ratios in the class are as follows:

Name	Course	G. P. Ratio
William J. Galloway	ME	2.9922
William Adkisson	EE	2.7730
Earl C. Hartman	EE	2.6715
Jean G. Goppert	Aero	2.6667
William Bever	ChE	2.6622
Walter W. Cardwell	Agr	2.6160
John T. Pesek	AgEd	2.5938
Adolph J. Specia	CE	2.5615
Spencer Roe Baen	Eng	2.5827
J. C. Denney	CE	2.5500

Galloway, 20 years old, is a mechanical engineering major from Throckmorton and is a lieutenant colonel in A Field Artillery in the capacity of corps executive. During his college career he made one B which accounts for a 2.9922 grade point ratio instead of the perfect 3.000.

He is president of the Scholarship Honor Society, member of the Engineering Council and Y. M. C. A. Cabinet. He has won the Field Artillery Medal, the D. A. R. Award and the Scholarship Honor Society Award in 1940 and 1941. Galloway was also valedictorian of his class in high school in 1939. He is one of 21 men selected for this year's Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Watches were awarded to Brooks Cofer, Battalion editor; Ken Bresnen, Battalion associate editor; Reggie Smith, Battalion advertising manager; John Longley, Longhorn editor; Harry Kunkel, Longhorn associate editor; Ray Terrell, Longhorn business manager; Ed Gordon, Engineer editor; and Jack Miller, Agriculturist editor. Awards were given by L. D. Boone, acting manager of Student Activities.

Gold Keys were awarded to six staff members, men who have served three years on a publication staff; silver keys were given to 36 men for two years service; and first year keys were awarded to 46 men for one year's active part on any student publication.

Angell, speaking on student publications, told of the place and purpose of the student newspaper, magazine, and annual on the campus. He pointed out that work on student publications were of definite value to the student, and an integral part of the college student's life. He classified students on publication staffs into three categories—the "eating" (at the annual banquet) variety, those interested merely as a pastime, and those interested in the work as a profession.

A business session was held after the banquet, and Gus Boesch was elected 1943 president of the club; Jack Kieth, vice-president; and Joe Dan Longley, secretary-treasurer.

Battalion Magazine Issued Next Week

January Battalion magazines will be out on time this month and will be issued sometime next week, announces John Holman magazine editor. The magazines will be issued from the mailing room in the basement of the administration building.

Col Carrico, Former Senior Cavalry Instructor, Transferred

By Tom Journey
A real cavalryman. That's the finest compliment that could be bestowed on Lieutenant Colonel H. E. Carrico, past senior instructor of the Cavalry unit at A. & M.

Colonel Carrico was formerly the commanding officer of the famous 311th cavalry the outfit that awards the horsemanship trophy yearly to the cavalry troop that shows most proficiency in horsemanship.

Incidentally, Lieutenant Colonel Carrico was here in May 1941 to personally make the presentation of the 311th horsemanship trophy to the winning troop. He came here

three months ago from Santa Fe, New Mexico, heading the Cavalry unit here.

He was formerly Cavalry Instructor for the first military area and then in the recruiting service at Santa Fe prior to his service here.

A graduate of the Cavalry school at Fort Reilly, Kansas, and the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Lieutenant Colonel Carrico has had wide training and experience as a cavalry instructor.

He is now stationed at Fort Bliss near El Paso, since leaving here this week.

Woe Is Us! Girls Are Writing For Batt Again! Run for Your Life!

Ed. Note—The following plan for the preservation of Aggie traditions seems to be the most beautiful yet offered, and at the same time, offered by yet the most beautiful—five Randolph-Macon Womens College girls. Randolph-Macon is located in Lynchburg, Virginia, has but a few hundred selected student.

At long last the Texas Aggies have discovered their sponsoring organization for the "duration" While the Victory Belles over the nation devote their Saturday evenings to chasing doughboys' blues away; the U. S. O. debutantes entertain Uncle Sam's gobs and "situation-well-in-hand-ers" (otherwise known as the Marines), and the brave, brave WAACS and WAVES push overseas, the Texas Aggie, since gas rationing and the New Regime, has had only the inspiration of a box number at TSCW and local 400ers to carry him through.

At exactly 3:33 yesterday afternoon, a volunteer representation from R. M. W. C. (the "Run-Men-Women-Coming institution for young ladies in Lynchburg, Va.") appeared in the Battalion office to offer to relieve the present almost unbearable situation.

They propose to take the Aggie traditions which must necessarily die if the Army takes over here, take them into the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, and there pet them, mother them, and foster them until such time as Aggeland can once again call them home. So, in short, the Randolph-Macon girls just want to "borrow" our customs until they can be of use to us again.

The magnanimous offer was presented in a patriotic effort to lay loyal Aggie's minds to rest during the strenuous days ahead in OCS and on the battle fronts of

Fort Worth Mothers Contribute \$10 To Reading Fund

Fort Worth A&M Mother's Club has recently donated \$10 to the Student General Reading Fund, said Dr. T. F. Mayo, Librarian.

Mayo said he wished to express his appreciation to the Mother's club for their generous gift and by means of the Battalion notify the corps of their donation, which makes possible enlightening reading material which the corps would otherwise be unable to obtain.

the world. In short, it embodied a plan to accept and keep intact the pre-war traditions of Aggeland and preserve them for the post-graduation classes. Our man-muscel environment left to the wiles of a tea-sipping Virginia school for young ladies?? (Don't laugh boys, the Batt staff also threw up their hands in hoor!) But—(Battalion Scoop No. 135697)—The gals actually proved their "strength" to "take it" and keep it!

Fifty years of college life based on a tradition known as Odd and Even Spirit (which involves nothing short of fire-and-water fighting, extensive "tree" maneuvers a hell-week that apparently incorporates the best features of the old Aggie "bring those fish up right" program, and that fast-vanishing college precedent Senior preference are the qualifications Randolph-Macon girls have to offer.

This delegations campaign provides for the establishing of certain non-hostess tables in each dining room to preserve the age-old Aggie mess-hall "shoot the sawdust; deal one; please sir, mister, may I have some cush sir," Slanguage fast dying at Aggie—(See GIRLS, Page 4)

New Junior Yell Leaders Elected Wednesday



Pictured here are the two sophomores who were elected junior yell leaders in a record fourteen-minute joint session of the sophomore and junior classes in the Assembly Hall Wednesday night. At the left is Dan Kuykendall, D Troop Cavalry, and on the right is Joe Pettit, A Infantry.



Completing tonight's program will be The Man Without a Country and Three in a Shell Hole.