

# Juniors To Get Advanced Contracts This Semester

## Sophomores Are Allowed To Continue Studies As Usual

Seniors May Get Degrees; Non Reserve Contract Men Must Voluntarily Enlist

Contracts for Juniors taking advanced military science will be awarded this semester as they have been in the past, stated Dr. T. O. Walton, president of the college, last Sunday morning after receipt of a telegram from military authorities in Washington, D. C.

Present sophomores, those so classified on February 1, in the Enlisted Reserve Corps will be allowed to remain in school "in essential military colleges classified as such by the War Department." Texas A.&M. is one of eight such schools in the nation.

This action by the War Department indicates that students of A. & M. will be looked on in a little different light by the War Department, since this school is one of the "essentially military colleges" mentioned specifically by the War Department.

**Seniors To Complete Work**  
Distinct possibilities exist that seniors will be allowed to complete their work for a degree, was the third announcement made during the week between semesters.

"Although we have no definite assurance," stated President Walton, "from statements made recently by army authorities, I believe it entirely possible that, based on our program here, some plan will be worked out whereby present seniors will be allowed to stay a semester in addition to the one starting next Monday, February 1, in order to get degrees."

**Contracts Available Until Mar. 1**

Contracts in all military units of the college will be filled out until March 1, was the statement made by Lieutenant Colonel A. J. Bennett, adjutant of the Military Science Department. Contracts will be given to those students of good scholastic standing until the limited number of contracts available has been reached, since only a certain number of contracts in each regiment can be given. Besides being in good scholastic standing, a candidate for a contract must be a member of the Enlisted Reserve Corps, or be inducted in the army, and must pass a physical examination.

**Details Announced Soon**

The following statements apply to ERC in all ROTC institutions:

Only juniors who are members of the Enlisted Reserve Corps are eligible to accept advanced military science contracts. Special provisions are made whereby juniors who are not in the ERC may accept contracts by going through a procedure similar to that followed (See CONTRACTS, Page 6)

## Registration For New Semester Begins Friday

Registration of old students who were in good standing at the time of the November 14 report, will take place today (Friday) from 8 a. m. until 6 this afternoon. Senior cadet officers and first sergeants registered yesterday afternoon and new students will be signed up tomorrow, according to Acting Registrar H. L. Heaton.

Assignment cards will be released to all students from the front of the Assembly Hall in accordance with the following schedule:

Thursday, January 28, 2 to 5—All Senior Cadet Officers and First Sergeants.

Friday, January 29, 8 a. m. to 9—All students whose surnames begin with J, K, L.

Friday, January 29, 9 to 10—All students whose surnames begin with T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z.

Friday, January 29, 10 to 11—All students whose surnames begin with A, B.

Friday, January 29, 11 to 12—All students whose surnames begin with R, S.

Friday, January 29, 12 to 1—All students whose surnames begin with C, D, E, F.

Friday, January 29, 2 to 3—All students whose surnames begin with M, N, O, P, Q.

Friday, January 29, 3 to 4—All students whose surnames begin with G, H, I.

Friday, January 29, 4 to 6—All students who were unable to register at their regular scheduled time.

Saturday, January 30, 9 to 1—All new students will register.

Saturday, January 30—Old returning students and students granted registration permission by Deans and Executive Committee.

## Action Taken Here Toward Building Of Student Union

\$50,000 War Bond Given To Texas A&M by Former Students at Commencement

The second step toward the greatest long-range need of Texas A. & M., that of building a Student Activities Center or Union Building, was made last Friday night, January 22 at the sixty-seventh annual commencement exercises. William J. Lawson, Class of '24, Secretary of State, and president of the Association of Former Students, presented a \$50,000 war bond to the Texas A. & M. College from the Association of Former Students. This sum will mature when the war is over, and will launch the Student Activities Center. Right now the money is being used to buy bullets for our fighting men, which include over 6,000 Aggies.

The first step was taken last fall when the Ex-Students Association, working in cooperation with the Board of Directors of the College, reorganized their financial set-up, and established the Texas A. & M. College Development Fund. Ex-students and friends of the college were asked to make gifts of any amount to that fund, thus, this year's goal was reached the same night that 619 Aggies graduated from A. & M., and entered the United States Army in the pay of Uncle Sam.

The college architecture department will do its part in getting the Student Activities Center by letting students majoring in that subject draw up suggested plans of a building as a term project to be handed in.

Long the fond dream of both students and faculty, the Activities Center has been designated as one of the greatest needs of the corps. The Center is visualized as more than the purely social center common to the campuses of other large schools. These would be provided, but with added facilities to fit the needs of the nation's largest man's school.

An Activities Center visualized by the Ex-students of Texas A. & M. is a million and a half dollar building that would include at least 100 hotel rooms to facilitate accommodations for visiting parents and sweethearts of the Aggies. Also in the huge structure would be housed extensive physical education and intramural facilities, and various other recreational features which would include bowling alleys, pool tables, game rooms, ping-pong tables, music rooms, reading rooms, and new, comfortable furniture suitable to everyone's taste. Every effort will be made to make the Center the real heart of student life on the campus. (See STUDENT UNION, Page 6)

## New Course Added In Engineering School

Announcement of a new curriculum in industrial engineering has been made by the I. E. department, and consists of courses preparatory to positions in the administrative and managerial ends of industry.

Those interested in such a course should see Professor V. M. Faires or Hall Logan in room 308 Petroleum building.

## Kokernot Is Elected Editor Agriculturist

At a recent meeting of the Agricultural Council, Bob Kokernot was elected editor of the Agriculturist for the coming semester. Those present at the meeting were: W. L. Hahn, Saddle & Surlain Club; Jack Barton, Agronomy Society; Jake Hodges, Agricultural Education Society; Don Olson, Agricultural Engineering Society; and Ray Boyles of the Accounting Societies.

## John Mullins Leads 1943 Cadet Corps

Keith, Corps Executive Parker, Assistant

John Mullins, K Infantry, will be Cadet Colonel, commander of the corps, during the next two semesters. His home is in Carrizo Springs, Texas and he was a sergeant major on the corps staff last year.

Second in command, listed as Corps Executive, is Jack Keith, C Signal Corps, whose home is in Houston. Keith is also Associate Editor of the Battalion and a member of the Scholarship Honor Society, and the Ross Volunteers. Assistant Executive is Travis S. Parker, F Field Artillery, of San Antonio.

Lieutenant Colonels, heading the seven regiments are as follows:

Jack H. Barton—Infantry.

Jack W. Tynes—Field Artillery.

Frank N. Walker—Cavalry.

Douglass E. Broussard—Coast Artillery.

Daland M. Griffiths—Engineer.

Helmuth Sommer—Signal Corps.

Albert O. Lacy—Composite.

On the corps staff, Robert J. Orrick is Sergeant Major, states the adjutant's office.

Vacancies that exist in various offices will be filled early in the next semester, and will be announced in a supplementary promotion list by the adjutant's office.

Promotions listed in the order that came out late yesterday are contingent on classification, and enrollment in the proper military science course next semester.

## New Course Added In Dairy Husbandry

The Dairy Husbandry Department is offering a new four-year course beginning this semester called Dairy Bacteriology. The course is open to all freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who are majoring in dairy husbandry, or some branch course of that department.

The demand for technically trained men in the field of dairy manufacture is such that the War Man Power Commission has authorized deferment of men engaged in such work.

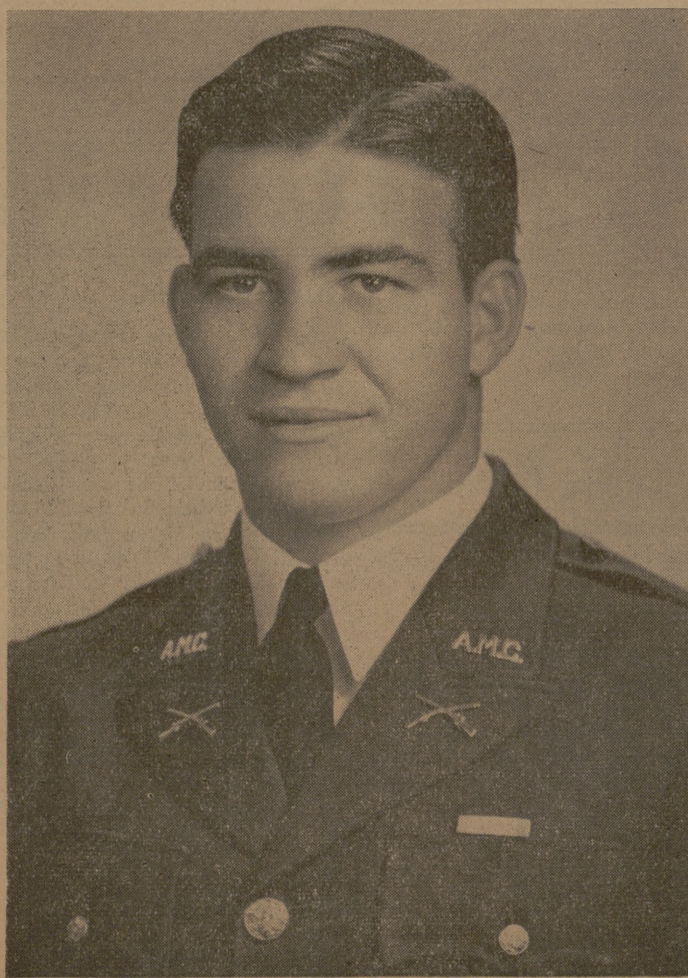
The present regulations concerning deferment of college students provide, among other things, for the deferment of students majoring in bacteriology who are within four semesters of graduation. Therefore, a four-year course, majoring in bacteriology, will be offered by the Dairy Husbandry Department beginning this semester.

This course will offer an opportunity for any sophomore who is interested in this field of work. It will qualify men finishing this course to fill a number of positions in the field of technical dairy science that cannot be supplied at the present time. The demand for men trained in this field is acute now, and it will be more acute within the next few years.

In addition to subjects in dairying, and those science courses supporting them, the new curriculum provides for a liberal choice of electives.

Any freshmen, sophomores, or juniors interested in this course should consult with some member of the Dairy Husbandry Department before registering for classes this semester.

Cadet Colonel for 1943



Shown above is John Mullins, K Infantry, who will lead the cadet corps this year. Mullins is from Carrizo Springs, and is majoring in mechanical engineering. He succeeds Walter Cardwell as leader of the corps.

## Longhorn Mailed To Seniors, Others Not Coming Back

Yearbook Will Arrive About February 5; Extra Copies Available

Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Longhorn staff and the Student Publications Department, the Longhorn did not arrive before the close of last semester. The annual will be mailed to the seniors and those students who did not return to school this term. The Longhorn will arrive about February 5, said Marvin McMillan, Longhorn editor for the 1944 yearbook.

Students not intending to remain in school this term should come by the Student Activities office in the basement of the Administration building and fill out a student publication blank, giving their name and address. For those who do not want the Battalion mailed to them next semester, a \$1.25 will be refunded to them by turning in their blue Battalion card to the Student Activities office.

Those who would like to have an annual, and have not paid for it as yet can get one by coming by the Student Activities office, and paying \$5. They may obtain the Longhorn as soon as they arrive. There is only a limited supply of these extra copies, so in order to get one please come around as soon as possible, said McMillan.

## Batt Staff Meeting Held Tuesday Night

All students interested in working on the Battalion newspaper or magazine are urged by the editors to be present at the first staff meeting of the new semester to be held Tuesday night, February 2, at 7:15 in the Battalion office (basement of the Administration building.)

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors interested in journalism are especially urged to attend as several positions on the staff are open at this time.

## College Opens 68th Session Next Monday

First Winter Opening Sees Major Changes

Texas A. & M. College opens its sixty-eighth annual session Monday morning according to the wartime schedule of year-round classes. This is the first time in the history of the school that a regular session has been opened during mid-winter, and is a result of the speed-up plan put into effect in February of last year.

Due to the fact that many students here last semester are now liable to induction either through the Enlisted Reserve Corps or the Selective Service, and because high school mid-term graduating classes are small, a total enrollment of only about 4000 cadets is expected this semester, with all but 300 of them returning old students.

New students will register today, and beginning Monday will be entered in a program of orientation designed to make him familiar with the college and its workings, although the program will not be a complete "freshman week" because of the lack of new students.

Old and new students alike will go to class for the first time on Monday, as the old students registered Friday. Cadet officers and first sergeants completed their registration Thursday afternoon so that they might assume control of their organizations and help any others that might have difficulty getting registered or established.

This session will mark the first time in — years that the cadet corps has numbered less than 4000 students and several of the dormitories, in the past filled to overflowing, have been temporarily closed.

Classes will begin at 8 a. m. instead of the 9 to 6 arrangements

## School Wide CQ and Planned Study Highlight New Regime

Twenty Minutes of Mass Calisthenics Will Begin Each Two-Hour Period

For the first time in the sixty-seven year history of Texas A. & M., such measures as a six day week, supervised study, and compulsory physical education have been added to the school's operation.

Classes will be held from 8 a. m. Monday morning until 4 p. m. Saturday afternoon, including not less than 25 contact hours of classroom study, laboratory and practice, and five hours of physical training. In so far as practical, all classes are being arranged to be over at 4 p. m. every day; this is exclusive of some laboratory periods that cannot be worked in schedule to be over at 4 p. m., and will continue until 5 o'clock.

The physical training will be broken down into two two-hour periods of supervised physical training a week, and another hour will be devoted to a campus-wide, class-wide intramural schedule, the details of which are being worked out at present.

The two two-hour periods of supervised physical training will probably include a rotating plan whereby students will take different phases of exercises at each of the periods; such exercises might include running the commando course, cross country running, touch football, swimming, tumbling, or other forms of supervised exercise. Each period will probably start with 20 minutes of calisthenics for all. (This is more fully explained on the sports page.)

"These measures are necessary to satisfy War Department requirements on essentially MC Colleges (Military College) of which Texas A. & M. is one, and the success of the new program here will be a deciding factor in the future of A. & M., and of its students in the war effort," declared Dr. T. O. Walton, president of the college.

Call to quarters will be at 7 p. m., and taps, with lights out for everyone will be sounded at 10:30 p. m.; Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday nights are the exceptions to this, since call to quarters will not be sounded until 8:30, with taps and all lights out at 11:30. Call to quarters Saturday night will be at 12 midnight.

## Walton Confers With Paul McNutt And Claude Wickard

Dr. T. O. Walton left Tuesday for Washington, D. C. to attend a very important meeting Thursday with Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, and Paul V. McNutt, War Manpower Commission Head, at Wickard's request.

The purpose of the meeting as revealed by Dr. Walton before his leaving for the nation's capital, is to arrive at a workable plan whereby college agricultural students can obtain deferment from military duty to remain in school on the basis of their course of study. There is a very real need at the present for trained agricultural experts to man the nation's farming industries to feed the united nations' troops.

"There is every indication at this time," stated Walton, "to indicate that some steps will be taken to allow agricultural students in good standing to remain in school and complete as much of their work leading toward a degree as possible."

used for the last two semesters. Resumption of the 8 to 5 arrangement is for the purpose of allowing time in the afternoon for other duties.

12 midnight, and taps at 12:30 a. m. The cadet corps commander, corps executive officers, regimental commanders, and troop, company, and battery commanders are allowed to leave their lights on 30 minutes after taps each night.

Call to quarters will be strictly observed by students of all classes each night, unless excused in writing by the commandant. This includes all students working as janitors, mailing clerks, and others who are working their way through school. These students may secure permanent passes from the office of the commandant for permission to continue such jobs. Men working on the student publications may also obtain such permanent passes as requires them to continue their work.

Students may secure passes from the officer in charge of quarters to study in the library during call to quarters. Such passes must be countersigned by an employee of the library, and filed with the officer in charge of quarters on the student's return from the library.

Absolute quiet and conditions conducive to study will be maintained in the dormitories during call to quarters, and between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4 p. m. Each student will designate on the schedule of classes posted on his door a minimum of five hours per week for study, exclusive of Sunday and call to quarters.

After the last call of the day all students except those scheduled for intramural activities for that afternoon are free to visit on or off the campus within a radius of five miles until call to quarters.

With proper authority students may secure passes through the commandant's office from 3 p. m. Saturday afternoon until call to quarters at 8:30 p. m. Sunday night. This includes Juniors and Seniors.

Student privileges will be forfeited when any student receives more than 50 percent of his demerits in any semester. Upon receipt of two-thirds of his demerits, the student's parents will be notified of his standing here in school. Any man who receives his limit of demerits will appear before the Discipline Committee.

Tour duty will be suspended, and demerits may be reduced only after a student receives 50 percent of his demerits, provided he goes one month without receiving any demerits. He then will be given a credit of 10 demerits in order that his privileges may be restored.

Day students are subject to the same rules and regulations as the dormitory students. All day students apprehended on the streets of Bryan or College Station during the hours designated as call to quarters will be subject to disciplinary action.

Seniors are reminded that boots are non-regulation, and will not be worn on the campus. Exceptions to this regulation will be cadet officers assigned to mounted organizations, who may wear boots during hours actually devoted to mounted military instruction.

Seniors are further reminded that senior officer's hat cords will be worn by cadet officers only.

Approved technical clubs, and all other clubs may hold meetings on Wednesday night only, and all meetings must be concluded by call to quarters.