



Classified Juniors May Buy Their 1945 Senior Rings

Longhorn Staff Begins Work on Annual for 1944

1500 Copies Sold To Date; Price Advances to \$5.00 on February 22

Marvin McMillan announced to the Battalion yesterday afternoon that there positively will be a Longhorn this semester. Very near 1500 copies have been sold in advance up to date.

Most of the organization commanders have returned their receipt pamphlets, therefore all students who wish to pay for a Longhorn may do so at the Student Activities office in the basement of the Administration building.

Starting Monday, February 22, the Longhorn price will advance to \$5, but those who have already paid their \$4 will not have to pay any more.

Organization commanders who have not yet turned in their Longhorn receipt books are requested by the staff to turn them in to Harry Saunders, A-6 Walton hall, in the old area, and in the new area to Marvin McMillan, 317, dorm 9.

The Longhorn staff wishes to express its appreciation to the organization commanders and the corps for making a 1943 Longhorn possible, and they seriously intend to do all they can to give the corps the best annual possible, stated the editor, Marvin McMillan, to the Battalion.

Plans Made To Enable Students To Obtain Shoes

Number 17 Ration Stamp Available From Mess Hall When Needed By Cadets

Cadets may obtain their number 17 stamp, the stamp needed to purchase a new pair of shoes since the new shoe rationing program went into effect last week, and a certificate stating that the individual's war ration book is filed in the dining hall, according to an announcement made yesterday afternoon by J. C. Hotard, supervisor of subsistence.

Those desiring to purchase a new pair of shoes, should go to the business office of Sbsia dining hall and ask for their number 17 stamp. Along with that stamp they will be given a certificate stating that the war ration book is at the dining hall and being used for the students' sugar ration.

"It is necessary for students to have the certificate since shoe clerks have been instructed they must have the whole war ration book before honoring the number 17 stamp," stated Hotard.

The stamp and certificate will be honored at any shoe dealer, Hotard declared.

Camera Club To Start Activities

The College Camera Club will begin activities for the current semester tomorrow night, February 17 in the Y.M.C.A. chapel at 7:00 p. m. at which time officers will be elected.

The Club has at its disposal an equipped darkroom, a Solar 4x5 in. condenser type enlarger. Membership is extended not only to Aggies but also to any person living in the vicinity of College Station or Bryan who is interested in some phase of photography whether that interest be in darkroom work or merely the clicking of a camera shutter on Sunday afternoons.

Bell County Club Holds Meet Tomorrow

The Bell County Club will have its first meeting of the present Semester tomorrow night at 6:45 in room 205 of the Academic Building.

All boys from Temple and surrounding territory are urged to attend as officers will be elected at this meeting. Also plans for the semester will be outlined and other important points concerning the club will be discussed.

College Loses Howard Berry To Naval Air Corps

Eleven Years as Staff Photographer Completed; Founder of Camera Club

Howard Berry, staff photographer for the Agricultural Extension Service, has been called to active service and will report to the naval photography school in Pensacola, Florida, March 1.

Although assigned to the Ag Extension Service, Berry's work has included the publicity department, athletic department, and the college in general.

Berry majored in entomology at Mississippi State College, where he was a free lance photographer. He liked his hobby so well that he took it up for his life's work instead of entomology.

Since he has been at A. & M., he has had pictures published in Collier's, Saturday Evening Post, Time, Look, Newsweek, Country Gentleman, and many other national and local magazines and newspapers. Most of his publications have concerned A. & M.'s military science department, the athletic department, and agricultural research reports.

Here at A. & M., Berry sponsored the College Camera Club, and took active part in most of the meetings. He helped the club obtain room in the tower of the Petroleum Engineering building for a darkroom.

"I am looking forward to life in the Navy and expect to learn all I can about naval photography. I sincerely hope the College Camera Club will continue its work and expand in the years to come. When the war is over, I hope to return to my job here at A. & M.," said Berry to the Battalion yesterday.

Agronomy Grads Get Officer Commissions

James E. Frierson and E. L. Whiteley, both graduates of A & M and Agronomy majors, visited Dr. Ide P. Trotter Monday morning on the way to their first assignment as officers. They were recently graduated from Officer Candidate Schools.

Frierson was inducted at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, Dec. 3, 1941. He served eight months in the Hawaiian Islands and entered OCS in November. He is now a 2nd Lt. in the Medical Administrative Corps.

Whiteley was doing graduate work in Pasture Improvement at North Carolina State before being inducted. He was admitted to OCS after some time at Camp Wolters, Texas.

Naval Air Corps Calls Geology Prof

Another member of the A. & M. College faculty, Dr. F. E. Turner, of the geology department, has been ordered to active duty with the armed services.

Dr. Turner has been commissioned a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy and ordered to report to the Naval Training Station at Hollywood, Florida, March 13. He said that he expected to be assigned to cartography work after entering upon active duty.

Enrollment Of 250 Arrives For Water Works Meet

Delegates Housed In Vacant Ramps of Hart; Banquet at Sbsia Tonight

Two hundred and twenty-seven delegates have registered with the twenty-fifth annual Water Works and Sewerage Short Course being held at A. & M. College under the auspices of the American Water Works Association, State Board of Health, State Board for Vocational Education, and Texas A. & M. College, according to J. H. Sorrels, assistant professor of municipal and sanitary engineering.

Sorrels further stated that more delegates to the school were coming in and that the final tally would probably show over 250 delegates registered for the three-day short school. He said that due to the low college registration this year, which left several dormitories vacant, it had been possible to house the delegates with very little trouble. The men are staying in Ramps A, B, C, and D of Hart Hall which were vacated by cadets at the end of last semester.

Usually lasting four and one-half days, the school this year was streamlined to two and a half days, since many men are engaged in vital war and defense projects and could not be present for the longer period. Sorrels said that the school consisted primarily of lectures and discussions of water and sewerage problems of Texas and the entire nation. Defense leaders and army engineering experts are among those lecturing to the delegates, discussing such problems as work on army posts, defense projects, and the priorities set-up. All A. & M. students interested in these lectures are invited to attend, Sorrels said.

The annual school banquet will be held tonight at Sbsia hall banquet room at 7 p.m. with Dr. W. B. Russ, Regional Medical Officer, Office of Civilian Defense, as the guest speaker. Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, will make the presentation of awards, and officers for the coming year will be installed. Aggies and others not connected with the school, desiring to attend the banquet can obtain tickets before noon today for the price of \$1.00 in the lobby of the YMCA.

Bryan Rotary Club Completes Plans On New Program Series

Plans for the Institute of International Understandings, which is being sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bryan, have been completed. Similar programs have been promoted with success by nearly 600 Rotary clubs in the United States.

Gerhart H. Seger will open the series of four weekly addresses at the forum to be held in the High School Auditorium, Bryan, on February 16 at 8 p. m. His discussion topic will be "Patterns of Cooperation for the Post-War World."

Mr. Seger will also address the students of Bryan High School Tuesday afternoon.

Agronomy Society To Meet Wednesday

The Agronomy Society will hold a meeting tomorrow at 6:45 in Room 312 of the Agriculture building. Officers will be elected and all Agronomy majors are urged to be present by the club officials.

Campus Study Club Holds Meeting Today

The Campus Study Club will meet in the lecture room of the Animal Husbandry building at 3 o'clock today.

Dr. Luther Jones of the Agronomy Department will speak on the topic, "Why Plow?" and a film, "The Heritage We Guard," will be shown.

Awright Fellas

The other day Hank Avery asked me to write a few words concerning the attitude of our students toward the Physical Fitness Program. To date you men have been grand in every respect and what would normally have been a mighty hard job has been made an interesting and pleasant one because of the fine cooperation you have given us.

I speak the sentiment of each and every member of our staff when I say we welcome the opportunity to work with you in this program because we are interested in you. We all need to be in much better physical condition and what we do now will make the road further on much smoother and easier and enable us to render a greater service.

We have one objective and that is to toughen each and every one of you to the extent that you will have the confidence to face whatever may come with the assurance that you are ready physically. We are going to reach that objective.

We want your continued cooperation—we want you to help us to help you—we want to be able to look you in the eyes at the end of the semester with the knowledge that we have helped prepare you by our program. We are going to work untiringly to make the program beneficial and interesting.

We are looking forward with pleasure to our association with you and your enthusiastic participation in the program will be appreciated.

COME ON FELLAS—LETS GO.

W. L. Penberthy

Dean Kyle Writes Articles on South American Relations

Dean Kyle of the School of Agriculture has just had two articles published. In this month's "Cattleman" was to be found "Agricultural Economy of Central and South America."

In "Science," the standard scientific journal of the nation, Dean Kyle's "The Mission of the Land-Grant Colleges in Promoting Our Good Neighbor Policies Among the Latin American Republics" received wide attention, drawing over one hundred letters from different sections of the country.

Commandant's Office Issues Circular To Prevent Room Damage

Dresser mirrors are not to be dismantled from their positions on the dresser, stated a circular from the commandant's office recently.

According to the circular, tactical officers on their next inspection will report names of those students who have dismantled the dressers in their rooms and these students will be assessed demerits for this expense, as well as being held responsible for any expense for lost parts of the dresser.

Navy V-1 Plan To Enlist Students Here February 22

The Naval Procurement Group will arrive at A. & M. Monday, February 22nd to enlist 17-year-old students who desire to join the Navy's V-1 plan. The place for the enlistment will be announced later.

It is important that students expecting to enlist have their papers in order. The three copies of the parents' release should be signed before a Notary Public, and the birth certificate should also carry an official signature.

Extension Service Reviews 1942 Cotton Crop in Report Here

Texas was one of several states which produced more cotton in 1942 than in the preceding year to make up the U. S. Department of Agriculture's December 1 estimate of a total crop in the belt of a little less than 13,000,000 bales.

According to M. C. Jaynes, cotton work specialist for the A. & M. College Extension Service, Texas farmers increased their acreage by 405,000 over the 8,118,000 acres planted in 1941. Growing conditions, generally, were good with high temperatures in mid-summer keeping boll weevils in check. During September, (See EXTENSION, Page 4)

Small Wonder ERC Is Confused; Kong, Bin Must Be Cause

His first name is Bin. His middle name is Moon. His last name is Ng.

His brother's first name is Kong. His brother's middle name is Moon, too. His brother's last name is Ng, too.

Bin Moon Ng is a Freshman in the Signal Corps.

Kong Moon Ng is a Junior in the Field Artillery.

They are Chinese.

It is a Chinese custom that they give their last name first whenever they speak, since they assume that the last name is after all important.

By an oversight, their names were given to the school, the ERC and to their draft boards as Mr. Ng Moon Bin and Mr. Ng Moon Kong; their father's name was given as Mr. Ng G. Foon!

It suddenly dawned on these two students from San Antonio of Chinese extraction that if they want their names on diplomas, commissions etcetera they must straighten out a few things, so they went to see Lieutenant Colonel Bennett.

Colonel Bennett, after much head-scratching, decided they must get an affidavit, swear their name is Bin Moon Ng and Kong Moon Ng, then complicated forms must be filled out and sent to Washington and Washington men must sign things and then everything will be straight, but Mr. Ng and his brother Mr. Ng will think twice before they observe any more Chinese customs—at least about their names!

Air Combat Film Featured at Aero Sciences Club Meet

Air Force films showing the development and use of air-borne combat units and paratroops will be featured at the first meeting of the student chapter of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Chemistry lecture room.

These films, which will be shown only at the Wednesday night meeting, were obtained through the Army Air Force Materiel Center at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. The films will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the Chemistry lecture room.

Election of officers will take place at 7:00 p.m. All members and friends are invited to come.

Registrar's Office Will Take Orders Wednesday

First Junior Class in History of A&M To Place Orders for Seniors Class Rings

All students now in school who are classified juniors and have been on the campus for two or more semesters may purchase a senior class ring beginning Wednesday Gus Boesch, president of the Senior Class said late yesterday.

Seniors who ordered rings last fall, but who failed to classify at the end of the past semester will be able to get those rings when they arrive March 1.

This action was taken by the Ring Committee on the suggestion of E. E. McQuillen, secretary of the Former Student Association and is due to the present emergency speed-up program which made the Class of '45 the last group as a class to enter A. & M. before the United States entered the war. Acting Registrar H. L. Heaton was also a proponent of the plan.

ERC Rumors Unfounded; Nothing New

Reserves Will Be Activated When Soldiers Arrive

Contrary to rumors current at the present date, the Enlisted Reserve Corps will not be called out and sent away next week, stated Dean F. C. Bolton yesterday after a flood of inquiries about the members of the ERC would be.

"Complete details will be announced to the corps the minute they are received at this office regarding the actual dates for the army plan to go in effect," announced Bolton, and he urged that unfounded rumors not be circulated.

Bolton stated that the latest information received here from official sources, does not alter the original plan of the army with regard to activating the reserve. Execution of the army's plans are contingent on the date the Army Specialized Training Program is put into operation at this school, which in turn, stated Bolton, rests with the date the army details enlisted men to service here.

According to the information on hand that will not occur before March 1 added the college dean. The plan briefly for enlisted reservists is as follows, concluded Bolton:

Contract juniors and seniors will be called to active duty and left here under few changes until the end of the current semester.

All sophomores will remain here until the end of the semester.

All freshmen will be subject to call and assignment to training elsewhere on the date the specialized training program is inaugurated here.

Accounting Society Holds First Meeting Of Current Semester

The A. & M. Accounting Society will hold its first meeting for the semester Wednesday night, February 17th in the room 405, Agriculture Building. R. L. Boyles will call the meeting to order at 6:45.

Primary motive for suggesting some relaxation in the ring regulations was the comparatively high percent of seniors who failed to classify although they had ordered rings, said McQuillen. As most of this group were but a little short of classification and because they will not get an opportunity to go to school another semester, it was decided that something should be done to alleviate the situation.

Juniors' rings will be of the Class of '45, and orders should be in as soon after Wednesday as possible as March 15 is the absolute deadline. A three dollar deposit and classification is necessary to order the ring, and they will be delivered sometime late in May. Senior rings already ordered are still expected March 1.

Seniors who did not order rings last fall because they knew they would not be classified, may now do so if they are classified as a junior, under the new ruling, and they may have "44" on their rings.

Orders will be taken starting tomorrow morning at the ring window of the Registrar's office, and can be placed every morning thereafter until March 15, with the exception of the few days around March 1 during which time the senior rings will be issued. No orders will be taken in the afternoons as long as they can be handled in the mornings.

Members of the Ring Committee of the Senior Class present were: Gus Boesch, class president; Stewart Cartwright; Bob Latimer; John Holman; George Chatfield (junior member); John Lindsey; Harry Saunders; Curtis Zohn; McQuillen, Heaton, and E. L. Angell, executive assistant to the president. Vote on the ruling was unanimous.

Col Horne Speaks For Marketing And Finance Club Here

Tomorrow night at 7 in the YMCA chapel the Marketing and Finance club will hold its war discussion meeting.

Col. O. D. Horne, of the Chemical Warfare Service, will be the guest speaker, reports program chairman Micheal Schirm.

Last Lunar Eclipse 'Till 1945 Given Star Gazers Friday Eve

For the last time until 1945, people living in the United States and Canada will see an eclipse of the moon when that body enters the shadow of the earth on the night of Friday, Feb. 19, said James Stokley, of the General Electric Research Laboratory, on the G-E Science Forum.

The coming eclipse will not be total, he explained, but more than three-fourths of the lunar diameter will be immersed in the terrestrial shadow. The result, he explained, will be a very strange looking moon, since the eclipsed portion will assume a coppery hue. This is due to light which the earth's atmosphere bends into the shadow.

In its passage through the air layer blue waves are scattered, to give the sky its blue color, and the light that reaches the moon is red-dened.

Mr. Stokley said that, as always at a lunar eclipse, the moon will be full. At 12:03 a.m., EST, the southeastern edge of the moon will be noticeably dimmed, and then the curved edge of the earth shadow will be seen upon it. Gradually more and more lunar surface will be covered until the maximum eclipse is reached at 1:38 a.m. After that the moon will gradually emerge from the shadow, leaving it at 3:13 a.m., when the last part will pass from the moon's southwestern limb.