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Corps Dance Tonight; New Aggieland to Make Debut

Hop Lasts From 8 Until 11:30 in Sbis; Number One, Tux Reg; Civies for Seniors

Sbis Hall will be the scene of the first Corps Dance in the new Aggie streamlined social program tonight at 8 p.m. with Jack McGregor and the new Aggieland orchestra giving out with the jive. Rodney Brauchle, social secretary of the senior class, said that the dance would end at 11:30 in order to conform with C.Q. regulations and that uniform for the dance would be number one or tux for fish, sophomores, and juniors, while civies will be "reg" for seniors.

Due to gas rationing, the war effort, and the army, there will be no vacant dorm for the girls to stay in this week-end, according to Major J. E. Davis, assistant commandant.

This corps dance is the first in the social program, with more coming in March, and the various regimental balls, the Junior Prom and the Senior Ring Dance for April, so that the boys just one jump ahead of the army will get in their last fling at Aggie life.

McGregor, elected leader of the Aggieland Orchestra last week, has announced a new plan for arranging the musical numbers played during the dances this year. This new plan will allow the Aggies to plan their dances ahead, knowing just about what sort of piece is coming up next. Our "set" will consist of playing three or four pieces straight then having a little break to arrange the next of two slow pieces, then a fast one, then a break; two slow ones, one fast one, and the break; and so on," said McGregor.

Bobbie Foster, Infantry band freshman, has taken over the skin section of the band, and Dick Landry, Marine corps, will hack at the ivory. Bill Boren has been added to the sax section, which will be much sweeter than the sax section has been in past years.

"All you boys that have P.E. on Saturdays will probably enjoy the new Aggieland, while the hep-cats won't have to suffer from a lack of solid stuff. We have a really solid rhythm section, an improved brass section and a sweeter reed section, and hope we can give you the kind of dance music you want."

"Eyes of the Navy" Featured In Library Movies at 7:30 Tonight

Free movies will be shown tonight at 7:30 in the Physics Lecture Room on the second floor of the Physics building.

Of the three twenty-minute movies shown, the one calculated to be of most interest to the audience is an MGM production called *Eyes of the Navy*. Beginning with a dramatic introduction of a farm boy who wants to fly for the Navy, the short proceeds with heightened action to show scenes of naval training at Pensacola, San Diego, and the specialized, precarious training off an aircraft carrier.

Navy flying has a technique all

Marine Reserve Open Until May 15 — Bolton

According to Dean F. C. Bolton, the Marine Corps Reserve is open to 17-year-old students until May 15. This enlistment would be for the purpose of qualifying for the cadets class for commission.

"Those interested should see me at my office," said Dean Bolton.

Air Cadets to Get Drill, Physical Training Before Entering Classroom

First two weeks of training for the new air corps arrivals will be devoted to intensive military and physical fitness programs, it was announced by General Carter, and actual class work will not begin until March 1. All academic work will be given by the regular college teaching staff, and flight instruction at Easterwood Field will be under the direction of the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

The contingent of Air Corps cadets, that recently arrived on the campus, will begin their classwork here about March first. The group that is here are training for commissions as flying bombardiers and navigators.

Arrival of the Air Corps contingent will bring to fruition a prediction made by General Brant when he dedicated Texas A. & M.'s new airport, Easterwood Field, May 22, 1941 that in case of war the aeronautical facilities of this institution would be utilized by the government to train flight officers. Dr. Walton recalled in announcing details of the training program which will in no way curtail or interfere with the regular academic and military program pursued in the past at A. & M. To date, 6382 army commissions have been issued here as a result of ROTC training, and it is estimated that more than 8000 former Aggies are now serving as commissioned officers in the armed forces.

Aggies Tackle Pace-Setting Owls Tonight In DeWare Field House; Tilt Starts at 7

Jessica Dragonette Refuses To Make Town Hall Appearance

Soprano Gives No Explanation For Cancellation

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Albert Morini, agent for Miss Dragonette, has stated in a letter to L. D. Boone, student activities manager, that Miss Dragonette has absolutely refused to fulfill her date in College Station. He further stated that Miss Dragonette gave no explanation about the matter, and that he had entered a suit against her for breach of contract in the New York Court.

Both the Columbia and National Broadcasting systems, said Morini in his letter, managed Miss Dragonette previously. Each company reported that it had suffered the greatest difficulty in working with her and her sister, Mrs. Loftus, who handles Miss Dragonette's affairs. Morini quotes from one of his managers: "Mrs. Loftus is absolutely impossible and causes trouble at the slightest provocation."

Though no program will be presented Tuesday night, every effort is being made by Lindsey to present a suitable alternate. The date for this substitution has not been set but it will probably be about the middle of March, stated Lindsey.

Six Aggies Pick TSCWite Tonight For TU Round-Up

"Sweetheart of A.&M." will be the title given to some lucky girl at TSCW Saturday night, when the committee of six Aggies who will make the selection, announces its selection at a formal dance to be given in their honor. The TSCWites selected will represent A.&M. College at the annual Texas University Roundup, March 27.

Those Aggies who made the trip, according to F. C. Bolton, dean of the college, are John Mullins, cadet colonel; Helmut, lt. col. signal corps; Albert Lacy, lt. col. composite regiment; Jack Barton, lt. col. infantry regiment; Arthur Lacy, captain, quartermaster corps; and Jack Keith, corps executive.

Rollin Elkins Made Major In Cavalry in Ireland

Rollin L. (Satch) Elkins, a former instructor in the Economics department, has been promoted to the rank of major. Elkin left A.&M. in September 1941, taking his commission in the Cavalry as a first lieutenant. Shortly after reporting, he was promoted to a captain and was in the first contingent of Americans to land in Ireland.

Elkin was graduated from A.&M. in 1933 with a bachelor of arts degree in liberal arts, majoring in economics. While a student he played in the Aggieland Orchestra, was a member of the band, and was an intramural manager. Rollin was awarded his master of science degree "with honor" in May, 1935, his thesis being on the subject, "A Study of the Development and Present Status of Workman's Compensation Insurance in the United States."

Navy, Marines to Get Weekly News Column In Saturday Battalion

Beginning a week from today, the Battalion will carry a column especially for the marines and navymen. News of interest about men who have left, letters from friends, personal items about men in the companies, and odd and interesting experiences will make up the column.

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Paddlefeet Tagged So Instructors Can Keep Identity Clear

At last the paddlefeet have gotten themselves straightened out. Unlike other outfits the juniors, sophomores, and freshmen have all been wearing coveralls to drill. This, of course, led to a lot of confusion and the only person who was pretty sure he wouldn't be floated out was a senior.

Finally this state of confusion was solved and for the past two weeks the juniors have been wearing white name plates over their left upper pocket on their coveralls.

But the solution doesn't stop there. The juniors aren't going to be selfish and have this "privilege" all to themselves. Beginning next week the sophomores and freshmen are going to be tagged. The sophomores will wear yellow name plates (there will probably be some bleeds from the Cavalry about this) and the fish will wear pink ones (these will go good with a case of pinkus tuckus or a pair of pink pajamas). This should just about clear up the situation that existed in the New Area.

Nazi Propaganda Runs Backwards Say Norwegians

Norwegian patriots in a Trondheim (Norway) theater were astonished to see a propaganda film showing the German forces giving food to the Norwegian population. For a few minutes they were too amazed to speak. The one of them stood up and cried, "Stop! You're running the film backwards!"

Win for Rice Cinches Tie For SW Conference Crown

Dawson and Huffman on Aggie Casualty List; Both Expected to See Some Action

Conference pace-setting Rice Owls will be trying for their tenth consecutive victory against the Aggie Cagers in DeWare Field House at 7 o'clock tonight. It will be just another basketball game for the Texas Aggies but to the Rice Owls it will be one of those chips-on-the-line affairs which can assure them of a tie for the 1943 championship if they win, or a second place if Texas Longhorns win their remaining two games.

So far the astounding Aggies have thrown a sprag into the wheels or other top rated teams and gave the Owls a scare in Houston. Last week they virtually knocked Arkansas out of the race by upsetting them to make it four losses for the Porkers. Then at the start of the season they swamped the championship-rated T.C.U. Horned Frogs so anything can happen and probably will in the DeWare Field House tonight. Fans are urged to arrive early as a capacity crowd is expected.

Discouraging to Aggie hopes of a victory was the announcement that Lee Huffman, high scoring guard, suffered a hand injury in a chemistry laboratory Wednesday but that report was helped some when Coach Smith said he thought the ace would be able to play. On top of that Center Jamie Dawson, another scoring threat, has been confined to the college hospital with intestinal flu for two days, but again there is hope, for Smith said he expects the tall boy to be discharged Friday evening. At any rate neither can be expected to be in top shape for so vital a game as the Rice affair.

Dawson's assignment will be to keep Bill Tom Closs, the great Owl center from Hearne, from breaking the all-time Southwest Conference scoring record set by Dwight Parks, of Baylor, last year. Closs needs but 31 more points to shatter the mark and he can be expected to be shooting for a record. If Dawson can't go the route the task will fall on the shoulders of Pete Watkins or Tom Sample.

This will be the final home game for the five Iron Men as all are seniors this year. They wind up their careers by meeting the Longhorns in Austin next week and although they did not threaten to win the championship they have been responsible for throwing.

Wayne Alexander Gets Marine Commission

Wayne Dewitt Alexander, College Station, has been commissioned a second lieutenant and assigned to active duty with the Marine Air Force, it was announced today.

Lt. Alexander, the son of Wilford Clay Alexander, attended Texas A.&M. He enlisted in the Marine Corps as an aviation cadet in August.

Army Minds Seem to Dwell On Finding Manual Labor for Ex

Those "bleed" letters still come back from the Aggies who said the regulations at A.&M. were too tough and left for the army. This one came in from a "five-year" Aggie who stepped into OD at the end of January semester.

"Well, it's been God-help-you-Private... for a full week today, and it seems to me that I've done every little piece of manual labor the best brains at Dodd Field could dream up.

"Several Aggies who couldn't stand the new order up there are in my barracks—or were. Among them are Coolidge, Troop D; Moses of Infantry; and a fellow named McNeis, who disappeared last night (a poor spot to take a one-way corps trip). Saw Shorty Booth last night in his new GI haircut (I should talk already).

"New Aggies as rookies came

LONGHORN NOTICES

Field Artillery and Cavalry Seniors. Deadline: Monday, March 1.

Fish, Sophomores and Junior Class Pictures—(Old Pictures) Deadline: March 8.

Senior Favorites
Cost: \$1.50. 5x7 glossy print (close up). Deadline: March 15.

Vanity Fair
Cost: \$3.00. 5x7 glossy print (close up). 8x10 glossy print (full length with evening dress.) Deadline: March 15.

Organizations
Cost: \$15.00 per half page. Each club limited to half page. Deadline for club reservation: March 6.

Notes
Aggieland can make no 5x7 copies of portraits due to film shortage.

Love and Kisses,
Ex-B, SC