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## Food Production To Be Aided By Use Of Electricity Discussed At Meeting

Dean Bolton Speaker at Texas Committee on Relation Of Electricity to Agriculture Held on Campus Thursday; Electrification Program and Service Discussed

Plans for further aiding Texas farmers in meeting 1943 food production quotas by more efficient use of electric service were discussed here Thursday at a meeting of the Texas Committee on the Relation of Electricity to Agriculture, conducted by F. C. Bolton, Chairman, and dean of Texas A. & M. College.

## Magician and Sing Song Features on Kapers Sat. Night

The "Mysterious Howard," famed magician, will be the feature attraction on the weekly Kadet Kapers program this Saturday night at 6:15 in the Assembly Hall.

This will mark the showman's third appearance on the campus. Those who saw his other performances say he is one of the best in the business. Howard's favorite tricks are those done with cards and from all reports, he is very dexterous with them.

Another feature on the program will be the singing of "Der Fuehrer's Face" by all present and a special chorus by Ralph Greenberg. Also a contest will be held to determine the "Grabbest Man at A. & M." An announcement of a new contest called the "All Service Singaroo" will be made and the details made known.

According to Richard Jenkins, the show will be well worth while and should entertain all. Everyone is invited to come and bring his date.

## Women Take Place Of Men In Many Engineering Phases

Majoring in such college subjects as dramatics and home economics or doing secretarial work may have no connection with electrical engineering, but women with such backgrounds are now assisting experienced engineers in General Electric's industrial engineering department.

Before the war, technical details regarding the sales and shipment of G-E electric equipment were handled entirely by men who, following graduation from engineering schools, were given experience conducting practical tests on Company industrial apparatus. Because of the manpower shortage and the small percentage of women graduating from technical schools, women with several years of secretarial experience and girls with college degrees in liberal arts are now being trained to handle as much of the technical work as possible.

One girl studied fashion design and worked with a movie concern previously. Another majored in dramatics in college and was subsequently employed in a hospital. A third studied home economics and once worked as a playground instructor. Others majored in French and Italian, English, psychology and social sciences, with year courses in math or physics thrown in, but only two members of the group majored in math. Secretarial work is the background of the remaining members of the group.

## Former Aggie is Commissioned Ensign, Corpus Christi N. S.

James B. Eldridge has joined the ranks of former Aggies now serving as officers in the United States Navy. He was graduated from the Naval Air Training Center, Corpus Christi, on May 29, and was commissioned an ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

He is the son of Mrs. Della A. Eldridge of Fort Worth.

### VISITS HERE

Dr. Blau of Houston spent Thursday visiting on the Campus of A. & M. College with friends.

The Texas CREA, which for almost twenty years has been fostering rural electrification development in Texas and working on rural electrification problems, is composed of electric service company executives, educators and farmers from various parts of the state. The Committee was formed in 1925, by combining a Rural Lines Committee, formed in 1921, by the Southwestern Public Service Association, an organization of the electric utility companies operating in Texas, and a similar committee, appointed in 1923 at A. & M. College of Texas to study the problems of rural electrification.

At a meeting called in 1935, at which Dr. Bolton was Chairman, the scope of the committee's activities was widened and plans were completed for more intensive cooperation in rural electrification work.

It was pointed out by Dr. Bolton at College Station Thursday that the Texas CREA occupies a position in the front ranks of such organizations of the entire country. "It has done a great deal of work," he said, "in the application of electrical equipment to farm life. It has sponsored agricultural research programs, has been helpful in the development of low-cost rural electric lines, and has at all times been a center of support and a correlating agency in those movements which will further a constructive program of broad rural electrification. In view of the pending food problems incident to the war, the work of this Committee has become of even greater importance than in the past."

"In its wartime program, the Texas Committee on the Relation of Electricity to Agriculture has three principal objectives," pointed out P. T. Montfort, rural electrification specialist of Texas A. & M. College and project director for the TCREA. "First of these is to help the farmer keep present electrical equipment in operation; second, to develop new methods and materials that have gone to war, and third, to continue research development of new practices and equipment to be available after the war."

Mr. Montfort, in reporting on the activities of the Committee for the past year, pointed out that much homemade equipment had been developed at A. & M. for use in farming, such as poultry brooders, pig brooders, food dehydrators, egg cleaners, egg coolers, and farm refrigeration equipment. Plans for making and instructions for using this equipment have been furnished to county agents and electric service companies. Many of the electric companies have reprinted these plans and instructions and circulated them widely among farmers over the state.

### CORRECTION

In Thursday's issue of the Battalion, an announcement was carried stating that Henry Koontz, Sheriff of Brazos county, and Howard Lee, College Station Chief of Police would be hosts to the FBI conference held at A. & M. June 17. This statement, which was issued from the Houston office of the FBI, and was in error since Mr. Lee is not connected with the College Station police force at the present. The announcement should have read that Mr. Henry Koontz, Sheriff of Brazos county, and C. N. Surber, Chief of Police of College Station, will be hosts to the FBI meeting June 17.

### LEAVES SATURDAY

Jack Beasley, son of Col. Beasley, former resident of College Station, is leaving today to return to West Point after having spent his furlough visiting on the campus. Young Beasley lived at College Station and attended the Consolidated school.



## Flag Day - June 14th

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands — one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

## Walton Stresses Importance of Sports Program in College At Banquet Here

### Ex Reports for Duty At Army Air Field At Carlsbad, N. M.

First Lieutenant Price Hobgood has reported for duty at the Carlsbad Army Air Field, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

He is the son of William H. Hobgood, Iradell, Texas.

He is a graduate of Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas, and was commissioned August 18, 1942, upon completion of O. T. S.

### HILLEL CLUB

The first meeting of the summer semester of the Hillel Club will be held Sunday evening, June 13, at 6:30 p. m. at the Lounge Room of Sbis Hall, it was announced Friday afternoon by Harold Borofsky, president. Refreshments will be served, it was stated. All members and prospective members of the club are urged to attend.

## Nazi Prisoners Loose In Texas

TEMPLE, Texas—Indwig Jung, 21, and Harold Stalleicjen, 22, German prisoners of war who escaped from North Camp Hood Wednesday morning, were still at large Thursday. Two others, Adolph Bodenberg and Rolf Zeischang, both 22, were captured Wednesday night.

Earlier, military police had reported the capture of the fifth escapee, Hans Massouer, 21, at Flat, eight miles south of the internment cantonment.

### SIGNS TRADE PACT BILL

WASHINGTON. — President Roosevelt Monday signed legislation extending for two years his authority to negotiate reciprocal trade agreements with other countries, and in doing so, raise or lower existing tariff rates as much as 50 per cent.

### Needed

The Singing Cadets are badly in need of a piano player who can read music fairly well and can spare the time that is needed for practicing. The position would be as assistant pianist. The need is urgent so anyone who thinks he would like to join the Cadets is urged to see Richard Jenkins at the Student Activities Office at once.

## Grove To Be Scene Of All-Service Men Dance Tonight, 8:30

The Grove will be the scene of a large crowd of dancers when Saturday night rolls around and all of the service men who are stationed on the campus have their dates here. The dance will start at 8:30 and will last until 11:30 at which time the Aggies will have to leave for their dorms so as not to be late at C.Q. A jukebox with records of all the nationally known bands will feature the music which should be fast and snappy for those who like it and soothing waltzes as a change in tempo.

Every Saturday night during the summer session will have, weather permitting, some sort of a dance with music of records on most of the nights but bands furnishing the danceable rhythm on special occasions. When a band is scheduled for a dance and the weather does not permit the holding of it at the Grove, Sbis Hall will be used.

Everyone is urged to bring his girl, wife, or just come stag and have three hours of enjoyment that would keep you from thinking about home all during the coming week. Jenkins who is in charge of the dance is especially anxious that the Grove be filled to capacity with dancers.

At a banquet given for the newly appointed athletic officers, President T. O. Walton stressed the importance of the athletic program for the present semester. Dr. Walton enumerated several letters he has received from Aggies in O.C.S. and these letters show that in many cases the Aggies are setting the pace for their officers.

Mrs. W. L. Penberthy, head of the athletic department outlined the intramural program. There are twenty-two different teams from the respective companies. In the case of tennis there are to be two seven and one eight team leagues. Baseball and volleyball will be divided into two leagues of eleven teams each. Elimination will be by round robin. Track and Swimming meets are to be scheduled later in the summer and possibly other sports.

Participation in intramurals will not be compulsory, but every one who can is urged to attend. Regular P. E. uniforms will be reg for intramurals as well.

## Batt Press Club Officers Elected Wednesday Night

Wednesday night in Battalion Office, a Press Club Meeting was held and officers for the present semester were elected. Representatives from the Navy, Air Corps, and Engineers were present at the gathering.

The officers elected were as follows: President, Sylvester Boone; Vice President, M. J. Kaff; Secretary, Treasurer, W. R. Peters; Parliamentarian, Robert Irving.

Boone and Irving are Aggies while Kaff is with the Engineers and Peters a member of the Air Corps here.

The executive council is made up of the afore named club officers and Lt. Albert Kelly, of the Air Corps; Lt. T. Rickenbacker, of the Navy; L. D. Boone, Student Activities Head; and D. W. May, Student Publications Advisor.

## Summer Cotton School Students Welcomed by Dean Kyle Thursday

### Brazos D. A. R. Urges Flag Day Observation by Displaying Flag

As a part of the Flag Day observance Monday, June 14, the Brazos County Chapter of the D.A.R. is urging every one to fly the United States Flag, according to announcement made yesterday by Mrs. S. W. Bilsing, regent of the Chapter.

Mrs. Bilsing expressed the chapters wish that as many of the flags of the Allied Nations as well as that of the United States, since all of these nations are fighting for a common cause — the liberation and freedom of all oppressed peoples every where and for the preservation of freedom in the lands where it is not existing.

The week of June 14-20 has been set aside as Flag Week, Mrs. Bilsing pointed out, by special proclamation of Gov. Coke Stevenson.

"A display of our flag will help us to be flag conscious," Mrs. Bilsing stated. "Personally each person can take for himself the allegiance to the flag!"

## Free Movies Sunday At Assembly at 4; Sponsored by OCD

Free movies sponsored by the Office of Civilian Defense will be shown at the Assembly Hall at four o'clock Sunday afternoon.

This week's movie is The Nazis Strike, the second in the excellent series, Why We Fight.

Bismarck, speaking for the German nation said, "We will dominate the whole world." Few will deny that in 1914 Kaiser Wilhelm had the same purpose, and Hitler has expressed this to be his goal in every utterance and ruthless action since his coming to power. The Nazis Strike reviews the well calculated plans put into execution within and without Germany to bring about world conquest. Germany's geo-politicians set up a system of labor to produce war materials and more war materials. Experts and thousands of students were sent into every country as spies. Inside Germany all those who were not in sympathy with the plan of world conquest were either put to death or imprisoned in concentration camps.

At the same time Herr Hitler was carrying on the most shameful diplomatic program in history. Treaties were worthless scraps of paper which he signed to carry out his desires. In 1935, over the dead body of the treaty of Versailles, he declared national conscription in Germany, and soon every available man was going stepping over Germany with eyes turned always outside her boundaries.

How ironical and how maddening now to see news reels of Chamberlain making the Munich Pact and returning to London with the self-destructive phrase, "Peace in our Time."

The most vivid, horrifying scenes of The Nazis Strike are those showing the German invasion of Poland and the gallant fight the Poles, outnumbered six to one in every way, put up. No one can doubt, watching the helpless anger and unbearable grief which the camera has caught on their faces as German bombers scream and roar above their riddled cities strewn with bodies of dead children and women, that Poland will one day strike back.

The movie ends with the entrance of Great Britain into the war and the heartening scene of Churchill speaking iron words of courage and vengeance to the English Parliament.

Students attending the 34th Summer Cotton School were officially welcomed to the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas Thursday by E. J. Kyle, dean of the School of Agriculture, and heard the first lecture of the 1943 school Friday on "The Plant Breeder's Contribution to Good Cotton," by D. T. Killough, agronomist, specializing in cotton breeding for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

The 1943 school began May 31 and will continue until July 10. It is being conducted under the direction of Dr. Ide P. Trotter, head of the Department of Agronomy. Present taking the course are about 50 students from Texas, Louisiana, Georgia, California, Oklahoma, Mexico, Peru and Ecuador. Others have made reservations to come in during the second and third two-week period.

For the first time women have enrolled, present registration being four, three students and one listed as a visitor. Several authorities have stated that they look for women to help relieve the present acute shortage of experienced cotton classers the same as they have gone into other lines of business heretofore regarded as belonging exclusively to men.

It was pointed out in Dean Kyle's talk that cotton is the most important fiber grown, it should be the cheapest to produce, and he predicted that as a result of the war many new uses for cotton will be found. Even in normal times at least 50 per cent of the people of the world have insufficient clothing. When the conquered people of Europe and Asia are freed from Nazi and Japanese bondage there should be a great demand for cotton for clothing and industry in those countries, he said.

Dean Kyle predicted that the United States will come out of the war as the most powerful country in the world has ever known. Enumerating our air power in particular, and our lack of desire for territorial expansion he declared this country would be in a position to be of real service to mankind by making our cargo planes and instruments of commerce between the countries of abundance and those in want. In this respect Dean Kyle suggested that the nations of the western hemisphere, least touched by actual fighting on their soils, should take unified action in feeding and clothing the world.

Classes in the cotton school began June 1. Lectures and recitations have been held daily from 8:30 to 9:15 a. m., and grading and stapling from 9:30 a. m. until noon, and from 1:30 until 3:30 p. m.

It was pointed out by Dr. Trotter that it is the custom to let the school get well under way before having lectures to the group by authorities on various phases of the cotton business. Mr. Killough's address was the first one scheduled in keeping with this practice. Later talks will be made by Dr. E. P. Humbert, head of the Department of Genetics; Dr. F. L. Thomas, chief of the Division of

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## Aggie-ex Killed in North African Action

Second Lieutenant Eugene D. Wilmeth, 22, King of the Texas A. & M. Cotton Ball in 1942 and President of the Agronomy Society during his senior year, was killed in action in North Africa May 7.

Lieutenant Wilmeth, who was schooled at Fort Benning and Fort Knox after his graduation from A. & M. a year ago, went to England last September and then to North Africa two months later. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wilmeth, of Ebony, and other relatives.