

# THE BATTALION

## Sophomore Ball Highlights Social Season

### Durward Cline and Band To Play For Dance in Sbisia

B and C Ramps of Walton Hall to Be Opened For Dates; Charge To Be 60¢

### AE Courses To Be Offered For Vets Of World War II

Aviation Company Will Train Men on A. & M. Campus For Plant Work

That American industry, even now, is making plans to look after the disabled veterans of World War II is shown in an arrangement worked out between the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and North American Aviation, Inc., in cooperation with the government.

A comprehensive aeronautical engineering curriculum, conducted under the engineering, science, management war training program of the U. S. Office of Education, will have the immediate effect of training war plant employees in aeronautical engineering.

With the increasing shortage of skilled workers, it is expected that the course of study and practice, worked out by T. H. Beck, chief engineer for North American at Dallas, and Howard W. Barlow, head of the Department of Aeronautical Engineering, will aid the huge aircraft organization materially.

Assisting Barlow in the training at Texas A. & M. College are Harry A. Mengert and W. J. Schnurr, North American representatives.

The lead-off course got under way August 2 with the arrival of 21 trainees from the offices and shops of the plant at Dallas. Classes and laboratory work will run eight hours per day, five days a week for the next three months.

As each course is completed the trainees will be sent to North American plants in Texas, California and Missouri.

While at Texas A. & M. these trainees will be on full pay from North American. They will be housed in college dormitories and will take their meals in the college mess hall.

In its rehabilitation program, North American plans to hire all partially disabled veterans it can, giving preference to those with engineering education and experience.

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### Radio Club to Hold Meeting Tonight

The regular meeting of the A. & M. Radio Club will be held tonight in the WTAW studios at 7:00.

There will be a recorded variety program which will include a 15-minute radio play entitled, "Dericks on the Hill", an interview between a Bryan girl and an Aggie, a quiz program, a radio forum, and a discussion of "We've Never Been Licked" by two Aggies.

The individual performers are asked to be at the studios a little bit early. The meeting itself will start at 7:00, however.

Everyone interested in radio work is invited to attend the program and meeting. If you would like to hear yourself "on the air" come down to this meeting. H. Q. Hays, head of the club, said yesterday in reference to new or prospective members of the club.

The meeting will be dismissed in time for Call to Quarters.

One of the most important events to be held on the campus this semester will be the Sophomore Ball on August 13th from 9:00 to 1:00.

The ball will take place in the main dining room of Sbisia Hall. Tickets will be sold before hand at \$2.20 for sophomores and juniors. Seniors may attend the ball for the price of the tax, \$2.00 and may buy their tickets at the door.

B and C ramps of Walton Hall will be opened for the accommodation of those who wish to keep their dates in a dormitory. The time of the opening and closing will be announced at a later date.

Durward Cline and his orchestra will play for the affair and Pat Barlowe will do the girl vocals. Cline has been in the music business for a number of years and according to those who have heard him, his orchestra is plenty good. Having played in and around Dallas for some time, Cline comes to Aggieland with a well known reputation. His ability as a showman and his friendliness and leading qualities make him well liked wherever he plays.

The ball will start promptly at 9:00 Friday and end at 1:00 a. m. Only Aggies who are sophomores, juniors, and seniors will be admitted.

The price per night per girl for a room in one of those specified ramps to be opened for that purpose will be \$6.00. There will be plenty of room for the girls so there is no need for worry along this line.

The dance will be the last one for many of the Aggies and it is expected to be a good one. According to some reports there will be a good many girls down for the affair but the more the better, so everyone who possible can is asked to have the girl friend down.

### Agriculturist Is Visitor on Campus

A visit was paid to the campus of the Texas A. & M. College Thursday, Friday and Saturday by C. S. Stephanides, who is slated to head agricultural reconstruction in Greece after the Axis forces have been driven out.

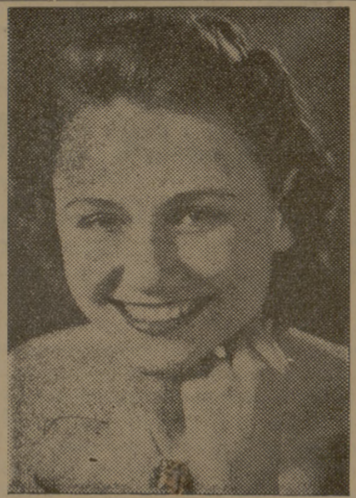
A native of Greece, Mr. Stephanides graduated at Cornell University (See AGRICULTURIST, Page 4).

### Board Of Directors of Exes Hold Meeting on Campus Over Week-End

Close behind Mr. Love came T. M. Smith, class of '01, who received his degree in agriculture. These two old boys, still plenty young in spirit, demonstrated that they still could throw a good old Aggie bull-session when we met them in Casey's Saturday night.

Perhaps the most outstanding member of the party was Brigadier General Art Knickerbocker, adjutant general of the state of Texas. Art is a member of the class of '21 and during his college days was one of the most outstanding quarterbacks the Aggies have ever had. Art played under coach D. X. Bible and was a real speed merchant.

At one time he played an entire game with a broken shoulder that was taped up. His job was to call the signals, and he did just that while the Aggie team marched down the field to win the game. (See BOARD, Page 4)



MAESTRO AND SINGER—At the left is Maestro Durwood Cline who will conduct his orchestra here Friday night at the Sophomore ball which will be held in Sbisia Hall at 9 o'clock. Above is lovely Pat Barlowe who will sing sweet and hot to Cline's rhythm. The dance, which promises to be one of the campus' most successful, is the first class dance to be held this semester.

### Town Hall Feature To Be Presented Here Thursday

### Braggiotti and Shaw to Play Two Piano Concert

August 21 Date Set For Musical Produced by Air Field Personnel

By Cpl. Ted Stafford  
When the men at Bryan Field decided to pitch in and work up a musical comedy, they ran up against several obstacles, namely clever continuity and a musical score.

Since plans called for an original show, a group of authors and a composer went into a huddle to turn out a slab of "solid" entertainment. When the huddle broke up and the smoke cleared away, the skits and musical score were submitted to the Special Service officer, Lt. J. M. O'Leary.

Lieutenant O'Leary endorsed the work and rehearsals were scheduled almost immediately. Up until a few weeks from the day the show was to go on, the production was without a name, but that problem disappeared a few days later when (See BRYAN FIELD, page 4)

### St. Louis Newspaper Reporter Comments On Aggies' WNBL

Apparently This Guy Monk Didn't Think Too Much of Our Show  
The following is an article taken from the St. Louis Globe Democrat. It is a review of Walter Wanger's picture "We've Never Been Licked". The writer is expressing his own opinion and does not necessarily indicate that of the people who saw the picture.

By Herbert I. Monk  
It appears that Walter Wanger, a producer who has some successful pictures to his credit, was a little overly ambitious when he set out to make "We've Never Been Licked" headline attraction at the Fox. He has undertaken to include patriotic pageantry, collegiate romance, espionage drama and war spectacle all in a single film. It's a large order and the results of his effort comprise cinema that is strange, to say the least.

M. r. Wanger has paid ringing tribute to Texas A. and M. College, not the school's football prowess, but the system of training and discipline by which army officers (See ST. LOUIS, page 4)

### Vet Company Wins Intramural Track Meet Twice in Row

In the Intramural Track Meet held last Saturday and Sunday down on Kyle Field, the Second Student Training Company showed an all-around good track team winning the meet with a total of 51 1/2 points, 7 1/2 points in front of their nearest competitor, the 8th Co. who piled up 44 points. In third place was D Co. with 25 points and in fourth place was 1st Co.

High point men in the meet were two freshmen; D. R. Deere of A Co. and W. A. Cardon of D Co. Deere made 16 points in the meet and made all of A Co's points. It was enough to put them in fifth place. Cardon trailed Deere by only 1/2 a point scoring 15 1/2 points.

120 Yd. Low Hurdles — First, Cardon, W. A.; second, Eaves, O. F.; third, Swatzell, Jack. Time: 14.4 sec.

400 Yd. Shuttle Delay — First, D Co.; second, 2nd S. T. Co.; third, 1st Co. Time 44.4 sec.

1.7 mile run—First, Ward, F. M.; second, Jarrett, J. I.; third, Mason, F. R.

High Jump—First, Cardon, W. A.; second, Deere, D. R.; third, (See INTRAMURALS, page 4)

### Aggie Yells and Songs Will Be Heard All Over the State

Tonight from 8 to 8:30, on the stage of Guion Hall, people throughout the state will hear a special broadcast of an Aggie Yell practice. Featured on the show will be the Aggie band and the Singing Cadets, the Air Corps Glee Club, along with the entire Corps.



Tom H. Frasier

The show from Guion Hall is part of a program to publicize "We've Never Been Licked" for Texas audiences. Harry Grier of KTRH in Houston will be master of ceremonies. Conrad Brady of Interstate Theatres in Dallas is producing the show.

Yell leaders, J. M. Knox and Hayes Stripling, will lead the corps in all the yells. Col. R. J. Dunn will direct the Aggie Band and Richard Jenkins will lead the Singing Cadets, and the Air Corps Glee Club.

According to Major Joe E. Davis, assistant Commandant, all organizations will form at 6:30 and be marched to Guion. Time is needed before the broadcast for last minute instructions and rehearsals.

The program will be broadcast over the following stations in Texas: KTRH in Houston; KRLD in Dallas; KTSB in San Antonio, and KWFT in Wichita Falls.

"We've Never Been Licked" will be shown to the public at the end of this week. This broadcast will not only present A. & M. to Texans but will encourage them to see this picture.

### Ag Commissioned In Marine Corps

ATLANTA, Georgia.—Second Lieut. Tom Harlan Frasier, son of Mrs. Amye Angell Frasier, Fort Worth, Texas has been assigned to active duty with the fighting Leathernecks, it was announced today. He was ordered to lead Marines in battle after successfully completing the rugged officers' training course at the famous Marine Base at Quantico, Va.

Lieut. Frasier attended Texas A. & M. College where he received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering and was tackle on the football team for two years.

### Aggie Ex Taking Special Training

Second Lieutenant William A. Williams, son of Mrs. W. J. Williams, 6028 Pitt St., New Orleans, La., has reported to the Carlsbad Army Air Field, Carlsbad, New Mexico, where he will pursue a course of instruction in "dead reckoning" navigation.

Recently awarded his bombardier wings at the Victorville, Calif., Bombardiers School on July 10, 1943, Lieutenant Williams thus begins the second step in his intensive training to become a "double threat" man—a highly skilled air crew officer able to direct a plane to its objective, drop the bombs, and plot the course homeward.

He is a former student of the Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas.

### Reavis Reports To Air Field

Second Lieutenant Cecil Reavis, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reavis, 707 N. Houston, Shamrock, Texas, has reported to the Carlsbad Army Air Field, Carlsbad, New Mexico, where he will be a student in the Air Forces Central Instructors School for Bombardiers.

Lt. Reavis is regularly stationed at the Big Spring, Texas Bombardier School where he is an instructor.

The Central Instructors School combines "refresher" courses in basic bombardiering with new techniques worked out in various commands. Officers back from combat contribute their experiences. Students in the school return to their home stations to give cadet classes the benefit of their course at CBIS.

His wife is the former Bessie Cook, Houston, Texas.

He is a former student of the Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas.

### Pre Meds to Meet Wed. Night; Brooks to Speak

An important meeting of the Pre Med Club will be held tomorrow night at 7:00.

T. D. Brooks, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, will be the guest speaker and will have something to say of interest to all Pre Meds.

The meeting will be held in the Biology lecture room on the second floor of the Science Hall.

All Pre Meds are especially urged to be present but anyone interested is invited to attend.

### FIELD PHONE CASES MADE OF COTTON NOW

NEW ORLEANS, July—The war department announced Monday that cotton fabric has been substituted for leather in the manufacture of carrying cases for field telephones.

Experiments and tests at the signal corps laboratories at Fort Monmouth, N. J., have resulted in a cotton carrying case which not only has the strength of leather, but in some respects is superior.

### Canning Unit on Campus Reports Heavy Production With 10,000 Cans

The payoff has come for the blistered palms and the sore backs suffered by the backyard victory gardeners in this area.

The government asked them to plant these gardens and grow their own vegetables and they did just that. Hands more accustomed to pencil work placed the seed in orderly rows and gathered the fruit when ripe.

Then it was "eat what you can and can what you can't."

Many residents of the College Station area used home canners to put up vegetables from their gardens and those of the neighbors. Others used cooperative canneries located in nearby towns.

Some 10,000 number 2 cans of beans, peas, tomatoes and corn, with a small amount of tomato juice, were processed in semi-commercial canneries set up last spring by the Department of Horticulture

in the basement of the Agricultural Engineering Building.

"What we would like to stress," said Dr. Guy W. Adriance, department head, "is not the amount of produce canned in our five or six weeks of operation, but the number of gardeners who used these facilities.

"Practically none brought us more than the equivalent of 100 cans of any one product. On one order we had just enough for one can."

Superintending operating of the cannery was R. F. Cain. Employees, heretofore inexperienced, were high school girls and wives of service men stationed at the Texas A. & M. College.

For this work charge of eight cents per can was made with the Department of Horticulture furnishing the cans, and five cents per (See CANNING, Page 4)

### Reid Commissioned As Ensign in M. C.

Word has come from Los Angeles that Irvin A. Reid, son of D. H. Reid, has obtained his commission as an ensign in the Maritime Service and has been assigned to a ship on the Pacific Ocean.