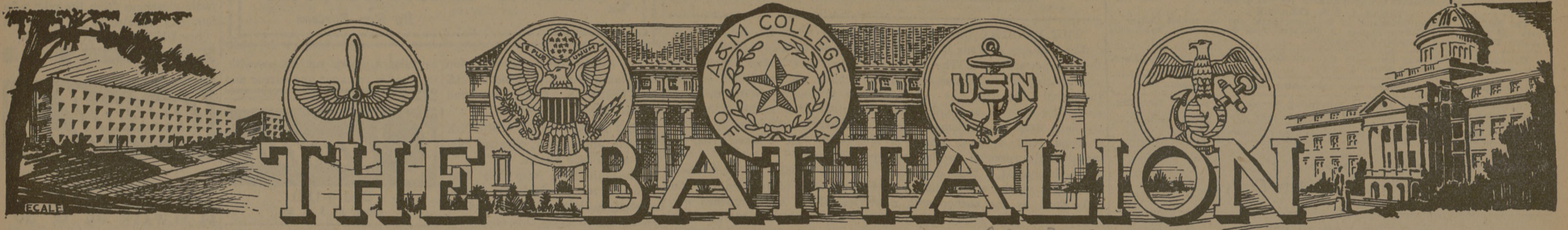


Come On Army, Let's Go See Those Aggies Win Today!



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Activated Class Of '45 Returns To ASTU On Campus

Juniors Meet and Elect Officers For New Semester

Sumner Hunter Is President; Matter of Rings, Uniform, Corps Trip Discussed

By Ben Fortson

Wednesday night at the first meeting of the junior class the officers were elected. After this election a general discussion of problems faced during the coming semester was held.

The officers elected were C. Sumner Hunter, President; Bill Terrell, Vice-President; Ben Fortson, Secretary; George Dickie, Treasurer; and Harold Borofsky, Historian. These electees took office immediately.

During the following discussion, the question of who was to wear the official junior uniform of serge was brought up. It was decided that only those juniors who are classified on the campus or academically (provided they have been here at least one semester) could wear the serge. All others caught wearing this junior uniform will be duly dealt with. This uniform includes the serge cap.

Another question decided upon was that of wearing of the senior rings. It has always been the tradition that only seniors could wear this much coveted ring in the past and this tradition is not going to be broken by the present junior class. Those juniors who are classified academically, however, may order their rings but cannot wear them on or off the campus until they become seniors. (See ACTIVATED, Page 4)

Newcomer's Club Meets Next Week

The Newcomer's Club opens its season next Wednesday, October 6 with a tea at the home of Mrs. H. A. Thomas at 205 Lee Street in Oakwood at 2:30 o'clock.

The Newcomers' is a branch of the college Social Club. All wives, mothers, and daughters of men employed by the A. & M. College, women of the Experiment Station, Forest Service, Extension staffs, and wives of men formerly employed by the college are active members of the club for the first two years of their local residence.

Officers for the year are: President, Mrs. L. D. Boone; vice-president, Mrs. C. A. Robinson; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. D. D. Alexander. Mesdames E. H. Templin and G. D. Hallmark will be joint-hostesses with Mrs. Thomas.

All eligible women are cordially invited to attend the tea next Wednesday and to affiliate themselves with the group.

Pre-Med Students Sign Up For Exams

All pre-medical students who have not taken the Medical Aptitude Test previously will do so on Friday, November 5, 1943, at 2 P. M., in the Science Building. The date for this test has been changed from October 29 as previously announced.

The test is prerequisite for entrance into Medical School. In order to determine how many forms will be necessary for the test, it is requested that each pre-medical student, who expects to take the test, sign his name on the sheet entitled "Pre-medical Aptitude Test" posted near the door of Room 13, in the Science Building. This must be done before next Saturday, October 5, as the order for the test has to be sent in by this date.

Free Movies Again To Be Shown At Assembly Hall

Library Resumes Showing Of OWI Films on Sunday

The showing of free war movies will be resumed Sunday afternoon at the Assembly Hall at four o'clock.

The movie to be shown tomorrow is *DIVIDE AND CONQUER*, the third film in the *WHY WE FIGHT* SERIES. These movies are put out by the Office of War Information.

In *DIVIDE AND CONQUER*, Nazi techniques of spreading hate and fear, distrust and confusion are shown. The film shows how Hitler used all the devices of propaganda and espionage to destroy the morale of the French people; starting rumors of weaknesses and graft in the French government, setting race and class against class, spreading the myth of invincibility of the German army, preaching that only Hitler would bring peace to Europe, encouraging defeatism and passivity among French people. Through radio broadcasts, paid German agents, and fifth columnists, Hitler used the weapons of propaganda—words—to pave the way for bombs and shells and the Nazi armies.

The Nazis did not stop with the subjugation of France. They are (See MOVIES, Page 4)

"The Spirit of Aggeland"

Some may boast of prowess bold,
Of the school they thing so grand,
But there's a spirit that can ne'er be told
It's the spirit of Aggeland.

We are the Aggies—the Aggies are we,
True to each other as Aggies can be.
We've got to FIGHT boys,
We've got to FIGHT!
We've got to fight for Maroon and White.
After they've boosted all the rest,
They will come and join the best.
For we are the Aggies—the Aggies are we.
We're from Texas A. M. C.

T-E-X-A-S, A-G-G-I-E-S,
Fight, Fight, Fight—fight! fight!
Fight! Maroon! White — white - white!
A-G-G-I-E, Texas! Texas A-M-C
Gig 'em Aggies! 1! 2! 3!
Farmers fight! Farmers fight!
Fight - fight - fight
Fight - fight - fight - fight - fight
Farmers, farmers, fight!

(Editor's note: Upon request of members of the Cadet Corps, the Battalion is herewith printing the yells and songs so that the freshmen may learn them before the football games. Two yells will be printed each day following today's issue while only one song will be printed each day. After all of the Aggie yells are printed, there will be no reason for most of the old Aggie spirit to return; that is, if the freshmen try to yell as a real Aggie should.)

College Station Artist To Portray Reveille In Oil

Picture May Be Ready In Time For Game With Texas

Miss Marie Hanes of South College Park in College Station, a prominent Texas artist, has been selected by the General Reveille committee to paint the portrait of Reveille, recently commissioned a 4-Star General in the K-9 corps of the WACs division of Dogs for Defense.

Miss Hanes has specialized in portraits and has painted the por- (See COLLEGE, Page 3)

Batt Subscribers

The Student Activities office reports that some 300 Aggies paid their student activities fees, but have not reported to that office for the purpose of giving their names so that they might get their Battalion. Those who have paid their fees and are entitled to the Battalion must fill out the subscriber's forms in order to have the paper delivered to their room. Only those who have filed these cards out correctly will get a paper, and after today, no free Battalion will be given to any person. Beginning with Tuesday's issue, the delivery to the room will begin.

Eight Juniors Leave To Choose Beauty For T. C. U. Game

Plans For Junior Prom at T. S. C. W. May Be Made

On Tuesday, Oct. 5, eight Juniors will leave for T. S. C. W. to choose an Aggie Sweetheart for the coming T. C. U. game in Fort Worth on Oct. 16. The girl candidates for the honor are to be selected and it's now up to the representatives of the Junior class to pick the sweetheart. Five of the Juniors are class officers and the other three were selected to make (See JUNIORS, Page 3)

Largest Number Arrived Here Thursday Morning

Nearly 400 of Campus Seniors Come Back For Military Refresher Before O. C. S.

Approximately 400 activated Aggie Juniors (now Seniors) have reported back to Aggeland for academic work while waiting for vacancies in Officer Candidate Schools.

Yesterday morning 106 Aggies came in from Fort Sill, Oklahoma to meet six who had arrived earlier. Cavalry, Infantry, and Signal Corps activated juniors numbering 100 are already stationed here. These men were transferred from Camp Roberts, California.

Aggie Team Leaves Friday Morning To Play Texas Tech

Team In Good Shape To Play in San Antonio Tonight

The bulk of the Aggie squad of 35 men who will be at the Texas Tech game left yesterday morning on busses, it was announced today by the athletic department. Most of the boys went on the special bus and those that could not, took the late regular bus. At the departure the boys seemed in high spirits and in excellent condition, said Coach Norton, and the Aggies' prospects for the game are quite good.

Upon arrival at San Antonio the Cadets will probably proceed to their hotel, leaving for Alamo Stadium about six o'clock, in order to arrive there about an hour before game time. The officials of the city of San Antonio have extended a hearty welcome to the Cadet team and to all members of the corps who will be in attendance at the game, and a gala time should be had by all.

Bicycles Located At Ross Hall

Bicycles that were left on the campus over the holidays were collected by the College police, and information concerning any missing bicycle may be obtained by inquiring at the Guard Room at the Commandant's office.

The Coast Artillery Unit is represented by 94 men who were sent from Camp McQuade, California. Ornanee seniors from Aberdeen's Proving Grounds, Maryland, number 16. Fort Knox Armored Replacement Training Center transferred 27 Aggies who are now enlisted in the Armored Corps.

Other activated Aggies hail from Fort Ritz, Kansas, and North Camp Hood, Texas. Early in September about 30 Quartermaster seniors reported from Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming.

Other Aggies on the way are 45 Signal Corps representatives who are being sent from Camp Kohler, California. The reunited Aggies are now living mainly in Bizzell and Mitchell Halls.

The object of this movement is to return these Aggies to A. & M. in order that they may pursue their regular academic course with special emphasis on military science. They will not be able to participate in athletics as they must stand ready for replacement in O. C. S.

The more recent arrivals are on furlough until midnight, October 16, when they must report back to Aggeland.

Piano Contest At Assembly Hall

The Saturday Service Show will hold a piano jive and jam session Saturday evening at 8:00 o'clock in the Assembly Hall. The object is to choose the best boogie-woogie piano player on the campus.

No formal application will be required to enter the contest, and those interested are urged to see Richard Jenkins, director of the show, before the session starts. A \$5.00 prize award will be presented to the winner.

All boogie-woogie enthusiasts are urged to attend.

Last Service Dance Tonight

An All-Service Dance will be held in the Grove this Saturday night from 8:30 until 11:30.

This will probably be the last Saturday night Service Dance to be held in the Grove this season due to the chilly nights.

Music will be furnished by the juke box. All servicemen are invited to bring their wives and dates.

Surprise . . .

No, it's not a graveyard for victims of the new regime, or a new Bull's office, and Hotard isn't turning in into a Victory Garden. Our snooping reporter found out that the plowed field behind Walton is to be used for planting grass.

ASTU Lieutenant Went Through Hell On New Guinea And Was Awarded For Valour

By Len Sutton, ASTU

The Japanese invader had stormed New Guinea with very little cost and sacrifice and consequently resold the ravaged land at "top ceiling prices to the American forces," remarked 2nd Lt. Phillip K. Daniels of the 5th Student Training Company.

A recent victim of the island's brush struggles and a newly-arrived addition to the ASTU, Lt. Daniels characterized the sojourn of troops at Buna Mission, Port Moresby, and the Owen Stanley Mountains as being the bloodiest and most nerve-wrecking of the entire world conflict.

Typical of the struggle was the problem facing a task force required to recover Buna Mission—a strategic area where missionaries some years before had attempted to convert the native villagers. The Japanese, Daniels explained, had supposedly withdrawn two days earlier. "When we arrived at the clearing fronting the village," he continued, "we wallowed in three inches of mud and after glancing about, saw that no life existed."

"Twenty men were immediately dispatched to rush the clearing. Several shots rang out. Every at-

tacking soldier fell dead. For eleven hours the American troops continued sending twenty men across the quarter mile stretch. Every man fell a casualty.

"While occupied with the maddening problem of crossing the mud, the troops had been encircled by four hundred wily Japanese who had come up from the rear and consequently endangered the entire American force. The only plan left was to retreat, smash their way through the encirclement, and save the remnants of their force.

"The brilliant rearguard action of several groups permitted the larger portion of the troops to escape and while throttling the enemy to the north allowed a picked force of Australians to capture Buna from the west and to climax a death-rending struggle against a numerically superior opponent."

Lt. Daniels—then staff sergeant—had during the rearguard action, become cut off and squelched into a pocket opposed on two sides. With the officer personnel gone, 1st Sergeant Huglett and he divided into two groups the 179 remaining men.

Attacking from both sides the troops stormed their way through

to apparent safety. Having lost eighty men in their attempt to crack the enemy lines, they met another skirmishing patrol and after twelve hours of bitter hand-to-hand fighting returned to their former lines with only thirty-five men.

For this valiant struggle and direction, Lt. Daniels was awarded the American Silver Star.

To the query of the type of fighting on the island, Lt. Daniels explained that almost all of the struggle was carried on with the bayonet and short knife—range was slight and especially difficult with it being almost impossible to catch a glimpse of camouflaged snipers.

Some time after his escape, Daniels had been sent out with a patrol to search for a supply unit scheduled to have arrived three days earlier. While walking down a narrow trail, the men were suddenly fired upon by a hidden sniper whose presence could be determined only by a faint curl of rifle smoke seeping from the leaves of a swaying tree.

In charge of the patrol, Daniels directed five minutes of fire into the tree. He rose for five or six seconds and as another shot rang

out, slumped to the ground. His patrol continued to fire into the leaves. A rifle fell—the sniper pitched to the ground.

Only when he had straightened up had he realized that he had been hit. Ripping his blood-soaked shirt away, he noticed that he had been shot from the front—the bullet passed through his side and out his back. "The hole," he joshed, "looked like a tiny mosquito bite."

The patrol carried Daniels 3½ miles to his base whereupon he was sent to the Post Moresby evacuation hospital and then returned to Walter Reed hospital in Washington, D. C. Lt. Daniels was, then awarded the Order of the Purple Heart.

Released from Walter Reed, Daniels received his commission at Fort Benning, Georgia. He immediately joined the paratroopers unit in which he subsequently became injured. He is currently assigned to ASTU No. 3800 at Texas A. & M. College.

Men on other fronts and especially the civilian populace, he explained, do not realize the sort of hell-raising fight the New Guinea troops underwent. No place gained was considered in terms of