



Governor Stevenson Is Visitor For Today On Campus

Last Dance of Semester Is Saturday Night, 9 to 12

Bergstrom Field Orchestra Will Furnish Music; Admission Is \$1.10, Stag or Drag

Sergeant Reams and his Bergstrom Field Orchestra will furnish the music for the last dance of the semester Saturday night in Sblsa Hall. The dance will last from 9 till 12. Sergeant Reams has played here twice before and the crowd enjoyed his music and novelties each time. Since there will be no final ball this semester this will be the last dance of the semester and will be semi-formal.

Dormitory 17 will be vacated for dates and the men living in Dorm 17 will be allowed to reserve rooms for their dates first. The dorm will be vacated at 1 p.m. Saturday and the girls may enter at about that time. The dates have to be out of the dormitory 11:30 Sunday morning and the men may return to their rooms at noon.

With Sergeant Reams fine orchestra supplying the music an enjoyable time is assured everyone. If the men in the corps want more dances in the future this dance should be supported. Corps dances in earlier times were looked forward to by all and this is the chance many men in the corps have been waiting for to show that they will back dances of this type. The price is \$1.10 stag or with dates and tickets may be obtained in advance from the Student Activities Office.

Purple Heart Given Former Aggie For Wounds Received

Graduate of '32 Dies From Wounds; High Honor Paid Him by U. S.

Friends on the A. & M. campus have received word that Mrs. J. O. Beasley of Carroll, Ohio, was notified on the 8th of January that the Purple Heart decoration has been awarded the late Lieut. J. O. Beasley "for military merit and for wounds received in action which resulted in his death Sept. 12, 1943."

Lieut. Beasley graduated from A. & M. in 1932. He got his Master of Science degree in 1934 and the Doctor's degree at Harvard in 1939. He was cytogeneticist with the division of Agronomy of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station from 1932 until he entered military service in 1942, except for the period of 1936 to 1939 when he was at Harvard.

So far as is known Dr. Beasley was the first scientist to use the drug colchicine as a means of doubling the number of chromosomes in cotton, and by the use of colchicine he obtained fertile hybrids between many species, which previously when crossed only produced sterile hybrids. His discoveries opened a new field of approach in cotton breeding.

Finney Leaves for Year at Columbia

Professor C. J. Finney of the College Architecture Department will go on a leave of absence to attend Columbia University, located at New York, as visiting professor for a year. He will leave the college at the end of the current semester.

At Columbia University he will act as coordinating officer for the Planning and Housing Division, preparing and supervising short courses, seminars, and institutes; and he will teach the undergraduate courses in planning and housing, as well as prepare other courses in the division in the anticipation of offering them to students from army duties.

Southwest Airways Proposes to Build 20 Routes in South

Airlines To Include Towns of Oklahoma, Texas, and Arkansas

Area airline service, expected to be the next major development in America's domestic air transportation system, would serve College Station and 309 other Southwest cities and towns, under an application already filed with the Civil Aeronautics Board by Southwest Airways Company.

Radiating out from the present major transcontinental air terminals, much as the spokes of a wheel radiate from the hub, the area airlines would serve communities ranging in population from 500 up. All told, they would bring the benefits of direct passenger, mail and express air service to more than one and a half million Southwest residents not presently receiving it.

A large map showing the 20 routes which Southwest Airways proposes to establish in this area has been received by the Chamber of Commerce, and the company advises that additional informative material on area airlines will be forthcoming. The routes would include Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Southwest Airways already operates a military area airline for the Air Transport Command, identified by the Army as being "in the Southwest", and also several large military pilot training schools. The Civil Aeronautics Board is expected to hold hearings next summer on the feasibility of establishing these routes.

Taxpayers Notice

Current City taxes should be paid before January 31 to avoid penalty and interest.

Claude W. Rodgers, City Tax Collector

Hotard Replaced by J. G. Peniston in Subsistence Dept.

New Manager, 16 Years With College, Begins Duties Immediately

J. G. Peniston has been named as successor to J. C. Hotard in the position of manager of the Subsistence Department by action of the Board of Directors, it was announced by Dr. F. C. Bolton, acting president of the college. It was after several days of consideration that the new promotion was made.

Coming here 16 years ago as Store Keeper, Peniston has risen to this new position, manager of Subsistence. Before he came here to make his home, he was an engineer with the General Engineers. It was here that he worked throughout the country as a construction engineer. During the 16 years of service to the college, Peniston has served as dining room and commissary steward.

Peniston will take over duties immediately, but he will have the help of Hotard until the 1st of March, the approximate date of Hotard's departure. The new manager's duties will be primarily the same as Hotard's, that of the job of feeding the thousands of men who eat in the two largest dining halls in the country, Sblsa and Duncan Halls.

Crooks' Life Is Studied With Spectacular Success

One of the great figures of American music, Richard Crooks, will appear on the Guion Hall stage on Thursday, January 20, through the cooperation of the Student Activities office and Town Hall committee, it was announced recently. This program will be presented by Town Hall, which brings many outstanding figures to the campus for entertainment.

Yearly, seventy or more cities of the United States and Canada hear him in concert and recital, Metropolitan Opera audiences and critics applaud his frequent appearances; millions of radio listeners form one portion of his public. His Victor Red Seal records are among the standard best sellers everywhere. A superlative artist at the top of his powers, Crooks'

interpretative gifts are as versatile as they are brilliant, the splendor of his voice lending itself uniformly well to songs, opera, ballads, or religious music.

At the age of 10, Crooks was the co-artist with Schumann-Heink in a music festival, and at 17 he enlisted in an Aero Squadron during the first World War. At the end of the war he came to New York, where he made his concert debut with the New York Symphony Orchestra, singing nine successive performances.

Crooks toured Europe for concert and opera engagements, and his tours of Australia and South Africa established him as the "greatest box office attraction" ever to appear there. During the (See CROOKS, Page 3)

Post-War Planning Group Organize To Answer Problems

A. A. U. P. Discussion Results in Answering Complex War Problems

Of the 259 institutions of higher education in the United States, all of them have post-war planning committees and faculty members all over the nation are striving for an answer to the complex problems that the wartime conditions have imposed.

This was the consensus of opinion at the open forum discussion of the problem held in Sblsa hall lounge Tuesday evening under auspices of the A. & M. Chapter, American Association of University Professors.

Discussions were led by John Q. Hays, chairman of the A. A. U. P. post-war education planning committee; and George B. Wilcox, chairman of the A. & M. Academic Council's committee on the same subject.

Admitting a state of confused thinking on the subject, Hays declared that a reappraisal of college education is in order; that there will be no reversion to the same practices and principles as before the war, and that the wartime teaching requirements have taught that changes in instruction can be made quickly; that liberal education will be restored to a higher degree than before the war and that returning soldiers and displaced workers must be given training to enable them to quickly readjust themselves with minimum delay.

One proposal of change has been (See POST-WAR, Page 4)

Review Will Be Called Off In Event of Bad Weather

"Jobs Ahead in Engineering" To Be Topic Of Stevenson's Speech at 11:15 Over WTAW

Governor Coke R. Stevenson will be on the campus as planned today for the purpose of speaking to radio listeners of WTAW at 11:15, it was announced today. To welcome the governor, an all-post review has been scheduled with Aggies, Army, Air Corps, Navy, and Marines participating, but weather conditions are so that it may have to be omitted.

Late yesterday afternoon, the Commandant's office released information relative to the fact that an announcement would be made this morning if the review is to be held as planned. If the review is held, all R.O.T.C. cadets will participate, wearing the number 1 uniform without the Sam Browne belt. This uniform will then consist of the wool blouse, slacks, and service cap. The place is to be Kyle Field, time set for it is 3:30.

Governor Stevenson has been selected as the first of sixteen men who will address the people of this area over radio station WTAW, it was stated. His talk will be on "Jobs Ahead in Engineering," at 11:15 this morning. For fifteen weeks following his speech, there will be talks relative to timely subjects.

"Jobs Ahead in Engineering" will be a discussion of the opportunities that are open for young men now and will be after the war. Such engineers as those who will be able to cope with the problems of getting our natural resources from the ground will be needed. Other matters will be discussed by the governor in this talk.

In the first three programs, a broad general outline of the natural resources, opportunities for development, and the available personnel. The remainder of the talks will deal in specific terms with definite resources and opportunities.

Following the talk he will make over WTAW, Governor Stevenson will address the Bryan and Brazos County Chamber of Commerce at their annual meeting which will be held at 8 p.m. in the Maggie Parker Dining Room in Bryan.

Factors of Raising Hens During Winter Stated by Service

Water, Laying Mash, and Ventilation Are Important Factors

Egg production during winter is not difficult if poultrymen keep the layers comfortable and well fed.

According to George P. McCarthy, poultryman for the A. & M. College Extension Service, consumption of water and feeding mash, and ventilation of poultry houses are the important factors. During cold weather fresh, warm water must be provided each morning in order to maintain production. If higher production is to (See FACTORS, Page 2)

Singing Cadets To Meet to Plan Trip

There will be a very important meeting of the Singing Cadets of AggieLand Friday afternoon in the Assembly Hall. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss a three-day trip through either Texas or Louisiana during the vacation between semesters. All members of the organization are urged to attend this meeting so that necessary steps may be taken to procurement of transportation facilities and so that appearances may be booked in advance, if the club members can make the trip.

Income Tax Service Voted Popular by Matagorda Sector

Service Is Available For Farm Groups of Locality on Request

Income tax service offered to farmers recently on their December "Declaration", by the local unit of a national farm organization in close cooperation with the county Extension agents and Internal Revenue Service, was considered highly successful in Matagorda County, says F. O. Montague, county agricultural agent.

Business in the county income tax service office for the 1943 Declaration trebled the service for 1942 returns, Montague has reported. (See INCOME, Page 2)

Hillel To Present 4th Book Review

Next Sunday night at seven p.m. the Hillel Club will present the fourth in its series of open forum book reviews. This Sunday's guest speaker will be Lieutenant Al H. Sakowitz of Kelly Field. Lieutenant Sakowitz will review Maurice Samuel's book "The World of Sholom Aleichem."

The book deals with the life and times of the great Hebrew philosopher and historian and is valuable not only because it contains an accurate cross-section of life in those times, but because underneath the humor of the great man is hidden the secrets of his people's persecution.

Regular Friday night services for Jewish Aggies and servicemen will be held Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Cabinet room of the Y. M. C. A. The Sunday night meeting will start promptly at 7:00.

Student Activities Center Highlights Plans of College Heads for Increasing Facilities in Post-War Development

Last year a golden dream of the huge fraternity of A. & M. men began to crystallize when over six thousand Aggie-exes donated about \$60,000 in the form of war bonds to the Development Fund which has as its objective an elaborate post-war Memorial Student Activity Center.

The exact plans for this great long range need of Texas A. & M. have not been completed; however, J. P. Hamblen, '27, president of the Association of Former Students, has prepared a recent pamphlet explaining the purpose of this Development Fund Drive and presenting architectural sketches of the proposed building.

Probable location of the Activity Center will be between the Drill Field and Kyle Field including the area on which the basketball, tennis, and volley ball courts are now situated. The breadth and extent

of this huge endeavor is difficult to imagine—possibilities are almost unlimited. Included in the Center will be a modernistic grand lounge, a hotel, large dining rooms, student club and meeting rooms, a small chapel and lots of space and equipment for physical recreation.

The Social Center will revolve around a first class hotel with approximately 100 comfortable rooms. This development alone will relieve the acute shortage of lodging facilities which have long been a hindrance to the area surrounding College Station. The primary purpose will be to furnish both service and pleasure to the student body of A. & M. and, in normal times, to its Ex-Students.

There will be enough space allotted to facilitate the meetings of the Aggie Clubs. One of the most elaborate features is the

huge lounge room which will provide a suitable place to entertain visitors and families. The most popular rooms will probably be the combination card room and bowling alley. Magazines, current newspapers and other publications will furnish the guests and students with pleasurable literary possibilities. Record players, radios, pianos and the like will provide relaxation for the musical-minded. Any type of individual will be able to satisfy himself in one of these various environments.

The physical recreation facilities will be practically unlimited. A large outdoor swimming pool is planned to accommodate several hundred swimmers. Courts for volley ball, tennis, basketball, and other popular sports will be furnished also.

While considering the vast material and pleasurable benefits

of this Student Activity Center, we must not forget the memorial feature of our "Golden Dream." This feature is difficult to sketch, and even more difficult to discuss. However, the aforementioned J. P. Hamblen, president of the Association of Former Students and one of the main instigators of the Development Fund, admirably expresses the ulterior motive in the building of this memorial in the following words:

"The contribution to the defense of their country by the eleven thousand A. & M. men in the armed services today, by the twenty-five hundred in 1917-18, and by the similar heroes of other wars, must never be forgotten. Their record has built the greatest tradition of Texas A. & M. Their record has made Texas A. & M. a national symbol of rugged patriotism. That record will be fitting-

ly immortalized in the Memorial Student Activities Center."

So now that you know what is behind this great endeavor—what a future lies in these possibilities for service and pleasure of Aggies, present and past and future, and that these Aggies will be you, your friends, and your sons; you will probably want to know how you can help in the drive.