



### ASTP 2nd Company Plan Formal Dance Sat. Nite, March 4

Thirteen Man Band From Local School Unit Will Furnish Music

A formal dance will be held by the 2nd A.S.T.P. company in the Banquet Room of Sbsa Hall from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 4. Admission will be limited to members of the 2nd company and to their guests.

J. E. Krakoff, C. L. Boyd, R. C. Mallet and W. E. Riley, members of the dance committee, announced today that the popular A.S.T.P. orchestra will furnish the music for the dance. This orchestra, consisting of 13 pieces, displayed itself to great advantage when it played for the 4th company's dance earlier this year.

### Col. Ike Ashburn Talks On Future Jobs For Youth

Former Commandant Is On Jobs Ahead Program Over Radio WTAW and Network

Though the present tempo of construction cannot be maintained in postwar years, there will always be large scale shipbuilding activities on the Texas coast worthy of intense preparation for employment by Texas boys, Col. Ike Ashburn, public relations director for the Houston Shipbuilding Corporation, declared in the Jobs Ahead radio program, carried over the Texas-Quality-Network to Texas high school boys and girls.

Col. Ashburn, formerly executive assistant to the president of Texas A. & M. discussed the various aspects of the Texas shipbuilding industry with Professor Chris H. Groneman, acting head of the Department of Industrial Education of the College.

Major shipbuilding companies, where their yards are located and the types of craft they build were enumerated. There are between 80,000 and 90,000 persons employed by this industry in Texas, with an annual payroll of over 250,000,000, Col. Ashburn said. The four major classifications of employment are fiscal, engineering and designing, production, and management.

A ship, like an automobile, after so much service and operation, requires a thorough overhaul to insure maximum performance efficiency, the speaker pointed out. Therefore, the repair of ships has equal importance with construction.

Ship construction for the country set a record in 1941. The total tonnage of cargo ships constructed in 1942 was seven times the figure for the preceding year, and during 1943 the tonnage of construction was two and a half times the 1942 record, being nearly a quarter of a million tons more than the goal set by President Roosevelt.

In introducing Col. Ashburn, Professor Groneman reviewed the part that shipbuilding has contributed to the development of the United States. He referred to the fact that Texas is unique among the states in that it had a navy of its own in the days of the Texas Republic.

This was the 19th of 27 broadcasts arranged by the Texas School of the Air and presented by the Texas A. & M. College in cooperation with the State Department of Education to give Texas boys and girls an inkling of employment opportunities awaiting them.

General manufacturing will be the subject of the program to be presented March 2.

When public office is just looked on as a "plum", democracy is no longer a way of life. It is nothing but a way to make a living.

Freedom has not failed except where we have.

### Few Aggies Leave For OCS Thursday

Once again the 10th and the 11th companies have gone to war. Thursday night around 40 more of the ROTC men marched to the station singing "Goodbye to Texas University" enroute to the train taking them to the Armored Force OCS. This was the fifth shipment since December from these two companies to such Candidate Schools as Engineers, Cavalry, Ordnance, Signal Corps, Infantry, Chemical Warfare, and a shipment from the 2nd Co. of QMC.

This is part of a large scale plan which is sending men through OCS who enlisted while taking military training at college. At its beginning on Jan. 1 only men with ROTC training and men from overseas units were eligible for commissions from OCS. There were some 8000 ROTC students just returned from basic training in various colleges at this time taking modified ASTP courses while waiting to be sent to OCS. They are now being sent to their respective OCS's at the rate of 1000 a month which will deplete the program in September.

### Ninety-Six Men Are Prospective Baseball Players

Official Practices Will Start On March 1st To Train Varsity Team

Ninety-six Texas Aggie baseball prospects, an even six percent of the student body, reported Thursday to Coach Homer Norton and heard plans for the 1944 season at Texas A. & M. College.

Many of the boys reporting for baseball are familiar from the football and basketball teams. On a poll, Norton found he had about ten players who have had more or less experience in each position, including nine boys with high school pitching experience, eight who swing from the right and at least one port sider.

Official practice will not start until March 1 and Coach Norton will not meet again with the team until that time. Each afternoon however the boys will practice among themselves, beginning at 3:00 p. m.

Texas A. & M. was co-champion in 1943 with the University of Texas. Rice, Texas and A. & M. are the three Southwest Conference teams which definitely will play baseball. A. & M. will play two games with each at College Station and two games with each at Houston and Austin respectively. About 12 other games are planned with service nines.

"We will not beat everybody, but we will beat somebody," Norton declared, "and we all will have a lot of fun."

### Hundreds of Men Attend Dance and Bryan Open House

Another Affair To Be Held By KC Lodge This Week-end; Men Invited

Over 2300 servicemen used the facilities of the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bryan over the past week end it was reported this week by members of that organization. It is the custom of the order to hold a dance every Saturday night and have open house on Sunday afternoon for men in all branches of the service, the members of the lodge and their ladies being the hosts and hostess for the occasions.

Tonight a Juke Box dance will be held in the K. C. Hall it was announced and all men in the service are invited and urged to attend.

Tomorrow afternoon an open house, with refreshments, will be held and the same invitation is open. Navy, Marine Corps, Air Corps and Army men are invited to attend these two functions sponsored by the K. C. Lodge.

The Hall is located across the street south from the U. S. Post-office in Bryan.

### Consolidated High Annual Football Banquet Is Held

The annual football banquet for A. & M. Consolidated High School was held Tuesday night in the study hall of the school.

W. L. Penberthy was speaker of the evening. He spoke on sportsmanship and the qualities and requirements of a champion.

W. D. Bunting was toastmaster for the evening and gave a brief history of the team, reviewed the games of the past year and gave reasons why the team had met with such success this year.

In addition to squad and yell leader members, parents and lettermen, members of the A. & M. Consolidated Mother's Club Athletic Award Committee, and members of the School Board's Athletic Committee and their wives were also present for the ceremony.

First string lettermen to receive their jackets were Jimmie Cashion (co-captain), John Hollingshead, (co-captain), John L. Davis, Mac McCullough, Carlisle Spiker, Bob Williams, Robert Dowling, Ray Hart, Antone Dobrovoiny, Edsel Jones, John Marshall, Horace Schaffer, Bob Wright, Jerry Bonnen, Melvin Sheffield, Charles Wilson and Mason Lee Cashion manager.

Reserve sweaters go to Robert Lee Hunt, Charlie Carlson, Windor Farmer, Jennings Hagler, Bill (See CONSOLIDATED Page 3)



Dean E. J. Kyle

### Kyle Speaks About Farm Work In War

Tells Achievements Of Texas Farmers Over TQN In Austin

Texas maintains many "firsts" in the war effort, E. J. Kyle, dean of the Texas A. & M. College School of Agriculture, declared in speaking over the TQN from Austin Friday night in reviewing the achievements of Texas farm people, as part of the ceremonies observing the Texas Farm and School Victory Day, proclaimed for Feb. 25 by Governor Coke Stevenson.

Our rural people, in spite of sending a larger percent of their sons to the fighting fronts than any other state, in spite of serious shortages of labor and the tools of agriculture, have contributed magnificently in the production of food, feed and raiment for the commercial markets of the world, Dean Kyle said. Texas stands first in the production of beef cattle, sheep, goats, cotton, grain sorghums, and is close to the top in many other lines of farm and ranch produce.

Particular credit was given by Dean Kyle to the extra efforts put forth by tens of thousands of boys and girls in FFA and 4-H clubs to increase the supply of food and feed for a famine stricken world.

Also appearing on the broadcast were Governor Stevenson and President Homer P. Rainey of the University of Texas.

### Foreign Students Asked To Meet Dr. Elliott Monday

Problems of Out-of-Country Students To Be Discussed By Expert

Dr. A. Randle Elliott of the Chief Council and Guidance Center Institute of International Education in New York City will be on the campus of A. & M. Monday February 28, according to an announcement made here this week by Dr. John Ashton.

Dr. Elliott is particularly desirous of meeting Latin-American students and students from other foreign countries who may have specific problems concerning which Dr. Elliott may lend assistance.

All foreign students are cordially invited to attend the meeting called for 4 p. m., Room 208 Agricultural Building, on Monday, February 28, for the purpose of meeting Dr. Elliott.

### Transfer of Head In Department Is Announced Locally

Jaynes Succeeds Ray In Post at Extension Dept.; Ray Enters Navy Service

Transfer of M. C. Jaynes, present cotton work specialist, to the position of organization and cooperative marketing specialist on the staff of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service, was announced today by Acting Director James D. Prewitt. He replaces C. B. Ray who has entered the United States naval service with the rank of lieutenant, junior grade.

Jaynes, a Kentuckian by birth, entered the Extension Service as county agricultural agent in Refugio County in 1917. Three years later he transferred to a similar position in Nueces County where he began the cotton improvement work in which he has been active in recent years. He withdrew from the service to engage in private business but returned in 1935 as Harrison County agricultural agent. In September, 1939, he was appointed cotton work specialist at headquarters, College Station.

As a result of his work the number of one variety cotton areas in Texas have trebled in five years. For the past two years he has taken a leading part in the program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture to promote the production and maintenance of good cotton seed through payments of subsidies.

Let's back America by living like Americans. Americans are honest, unselfish, neighborly, clean, free and united. Are we? All of the time?

### Petitions For Freshmen Officers Must Be Filed

President, Vice-President From Fish Class; Sec.-Treas., Historian From Frogs

Food Expert To Be At Consolidated School Tuesday

College Social Club Is Sponsor of Nationally Known Expert on Cooking

Announcement has been made that Miss Anna Bines, of Chicago, home economist sponsored by the National Live Stock and Meat Board, will conduct a program on "Pointers on Stretching the Meat Points" here Tuesday February 29 at the Home Economics Department of the A. & M. Consolidated School. Miss Bines is being presented under the auspices of the Food Group of the College Social Club.

The lecturer is a nationally recognized expert on meat cookery and is in a position to give valuable information in regard to this subject. Miss Bines will also conduct a practical demonstration of the subject of her lecture, which will prove to be very interesting to the housewives of this community as well as to the students of the Home Economics department of the school.

### C. N. Shepardson Is New President Of Texas Dairy Group

C. N. Shepardson of College, head of the dairy husbandry staff of Texas A. & M. College, has been chosen president of the Texas Dairy Products Association. Shepardson was elected in balloting held at three Texas cities—Lubbock, Ft. Worth, and San Antonio.

In commenting on the organization's program and the wartime tasks confronting it, Shepardson quoted figures showing that Texas was eighth in the United States in the amount of milk produced. Production of milk products in the United States, which last year was 118,000,000 pounds, will have to be raised if the estimated need of 140 million pounds is to be met. The goal thought possible of attainment in 1944 is 122,000,000 pounds. The culling of herds and more care in the manufacture of milk products are two means suggested for helping the situation.

We must live democracy, as well as believe in it, in order to have it.

Petitions for candidates for the offices of president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and historian of the freshman class must be filed at the Commandant's office not later than 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 1. In order for a man to be entered as a candidate, it is necessary that at least 50 signatures be obtained in his support.

The elections will be held in the Assembly Hall on the evening of March 1. The freshmen should begin now to consider which men will be the most suitable for these positions.

Setting a precedent, the president and vice-president are to be elected from the members of the second semester freshmen. Their election will take place at the meeting on the first. The secretary-treasurer and historian will be elected from the first semester freshmen. Their election will take place at a later date which has not been set as yet.

Freshmen are urged to elect those men who will be best able to represent their class in the various activities on the campus. Campaigning for these offices should begin at once. In order for the best showing to be made, it is recommended that each company should sponsor at least one man for some office.

### WTAW Features "Music By Master Composers" On Saturday Afternoons

This afternoon at one o'clock WTAW will broadcast Jacques Offenbach's tuneful opera, "The Tales of Hoffman". The broadcast, which is a Blue Network program sponsored by the Texas Company, comes from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House, and will also include a discussion of current affairs as one of the intermission features.

Offenbach, German born but French by citizenship, did not live to see the first performance of the work, which took place in 1831, four months after the composer's death. But the work has been popular ever since it was first produced, though it is not one of the stand-bys of the operatic repertoire.

An opera in three acts, with prologue and epilogue, "The Tales of Hoffman" is the story of the three tragic love affairs of the poet Hoffman. In the prologue we see the melancholy poet musing in a tavern among a merry group of students. He rouses to sing a gay song, but falls to dreaming before he completes it. The students begin to brag about their love affairs, and Hoffman interrupts to tell about his three loves. The first was with Olympia, a mechanical doll whom Hoffman believes to be alive and with whom he falls in love. But when the spell is broken, he sees only a shattered doll, and realizes he has been cruelly imposed upon by her creator, the evil Spalanzani.

His second love affair is with Giulietta, a Venetian Courtesan. Her real lover, the malignant Dapertutto the counterpart of Spalanzani in Act I and of Dr. Miracle in Act III) involves the poet in a tragic duel with one Schlemil, whom Hoffman kills. Giulietta and Dapertutto flee, and Hoffman is once more disillusioned.

His third beloved is the consumptive Antonia, who is under the influence of Dr. Miracle. He forces her to sing for Hoffman, and the weakened girl expires after her song. Thus ends his third romance. In the epilogue, back in the tavern, after he has told of his three loves, Hoffman finishes the gay song of the prologue, and then falls into a drunken sleep. The students leave, and Stella enters. She sees him asleep, and departs (See WTAW Page 3)

### Mme. Francescatti Gossips About Activities . . .

## Intimate Life Of Zino Francescatti Given By Wife Of Celebrated Violinist Who Appears On Town Hall

By Mme. Zino Francescatti

NOTE: The wife of the great French violinist Zino Francescatti who plays here on Town Hall at Guion Hall, March 7, was a well-known concert violinist herself before her marriage. Of an aristocratic family she appeared as soloist with some of the foremost orchestras of Paris under her maiden name of Yolande Potel de la Briere. When she married the most famous of contemporary French violinists she gave up her own career to further his. This followed a precedent in Francescatti's own family; his mother, preparing for a concert career, studied violin under his father until she decided to marry her teacher instead!

In America I hear much talk among women about the question of marriage versus a career and I am often asked how I felt about giving up my own career for that of my husband. For I was a concert violinist myself, you know, and before my marriage appeared as soloist with such well-known Parisian orchestras as the Pasdeloup and the Poulet.

Just a month before my wedding I was rehearsing a perform-

ance of his second sonata with Albert Roussel, the French composer. When I told him I was going to be married he smiled and said jokingly, "I'm afraid, dear Mademoiselle, that this is the last time we shall play my sonata together." I protested vigorously at the time but I know now that he was much wiser than I.

I soon saw that if I pursued my own career I couldn't give the proper kind of help to my husband. Then I realized that, after all, what I sought as a musician was perfection in violin playing, and there was no question but that my husband was better equipped to attain that end than I. To have a share in his achievement was a more glorious "career" than I could carve out for myself. As it is now we have one career together.

A good part of our life is spent



Zino Francescatti

in hotel rooms but there are ways of making these seem like "home".

I always carry with me photographs of family and friends, people who are dear to us. Then I have some splendid pieces of old lace which I use as table covers. Then there are our dogs—made of plush! I adore dogs and as a promise of the time when we can have real ones my husband brought these home to me one day in Switzerland shortly after our marriage. Now they are as much a part of our household as his violins. All these small objects spell "home" and intimacy for my husband who he is resting between concert dates.

As we travel and visit the homes of American friends I am always on the watch for details which I can use when we have our own permanent home in America. American women are wonderfully imaginative in getting the most out of a room. Particularly I

admire the way they use plants—small plants, cactuses and flowers, arranged with such taste and bringing a note of country freshness into the four walls of a city apartment.

My American home is a New York apartment with a small terrace overlooking Central Park. We are happy there though occasionally we think wistfully back to our little apartment in Auteuil, a suburb of Paris. When we locked the door for the last time we had no idea that the Germans would be in Paris within a few days. We thought we would be back in several weeks and left everything but a few clothes, some music, and my husband's violin. Since then we haven't even had a word about our things. They included a collection of modern paintings which my husband had (See ZINO Page 3)