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## Staff Dinner To Honor Gilchrist

A staff diner, open to the public, honoring President Gibb Gilchrist of Texas A. & M. College, will be held at the College dining hall at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 27, it was announced today by Dr. Ralph W. Steen, general faculty secretary.

Invitations, in addition to Texas A. & M. College employees, have been issued to members of the A. & M. Board of Directors and president of all Texas state-supported educational institutions.

The committee arranging all details of the dinner consists of Dr. Steen, C. W. Crawford, engineering faculty secretary; John P. Abbott, arts and science faculty secretary; C. B. Godbey, agriculture faculty secretary; Dr. P. W. Burns, veterinary medicine faculty secretary; J. F. Rosborough, representing the Extension Service; A. A. Jakkula, engineering experiment station and the following from the Agricultural Experiment Station: C. H. McDowell, vice-director, L. P. Gabbard, Fred Hale and E. B. Reynolds.

Mr. Abbott is in charge of the program and Dr. Steen in charge of tickets, which will be 85 cents. D. L. Wilson of the Bryan Chamber of Commerce will be in charge of ticket sales in Bryan.

## Special Awards To Be Given E. E. Students In Slide Rule Contest

In connection with the slide rule contest the AIEE chapter of A. & M. is offering three special prizes for those electrical engineering students who can meet the requirements. Any student registered in Electrical Engineering and taking M. E. 101 is eligible to compete provided that he has not attended any other college before coming to A. & M.

The next meeting of the AIEE will be held Wednesday night, July 19, and will feature a high voltage demonstration by L. H. Haupt of the E. E. department. Present plans call for a meeting of the local chapter every two weeks.

## Twinkling "Pop" Shaw Served Cold Drinks and Sandwiches to Aggies, Faculty, for 11 Years

By Dick Goad

Serving cold drinks and sandwiches to thirsty Aggies and the campus personnel during the slow morning hours and later on in the hot afternoons, George B. "Pop" Shaw has become a popular and familiar figure here at Aggieland. "Pop", as he is known by his many friends, operates the College Campus Sandwich Shop located directly behind Leggett Hall. Having

## Equitation Course To Be Offered

Lt. Bearn's Will Give Instruction In Riding Jumping, Cross Country

The military department is scheduling a course in basic equitation to be offered as soon as plans are complete, it was announced by the Commandant's Office this morning. This course will begin as soon as possible under the direction of Lt. M. H. Bearn's.

The course will comprise all phases of equitation including jumping, cross country riding, drill movements, and the care and cleaning of horses and equipment.

This course will be open to all A. & M. students on a voluntary basis and will meet in three sections, each section meeting once weekly for a two hour period of instruction at the cavalry stables. For advanced students polo will likely be included at a later date. Plans for the organization of this course in equitation call for three sections of students with each section composed of 28 boys.

Boys interested in signing up for this course should see Sergeant Sweatt in the R.O.T.C. office in Ross Hall. The times set aside for this course by the military department are: Monday, 8 until 12 or from 1 until 6; Tuesday, 10 until 12 or 4 until 6; Wednesday, 10 until 12 or from 1 until 6; Thursday from 8 until 11 or from 4 to 6; Friday, from 9 until 12 or from 1 until 6.

No Saturday classes are planned. Hours for instruction will be arranged in any of these periods for which a sufficient number of students register. The actual hours of instruction will be decided as soon as registration for the course is completed but it is certain that the course will be offered during the times listed above if enough interest is shown to warrant the planned instruction.

come to the campus in August of 1933, Pop has been at his present location for eleven years. He operated a similar concession in Bryan for seventeen years.

Pop, born and reared in Brazos County, has known and been associated with Aggies all his life, and to him there are no finer men anywhere. During this long tenure here at A. & M., Pop de-

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## A. & M. Fish And Game Instructors Visit Big Bend

A three and one-half month trip to the Big Bend National Park has just been completed by three leaders in wild life research: Dr. Walter P. Taylor and Dr. W. B. Davis from the Fish and Game Department of A. & M., and Dr. W. B. McDougall, who is with the National Park Service at Death Valley, California. Dr. Taylor is also a leader of the Texas Cooperative Wild Life Research and biologist for the U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service here at College. The purpose of this trip, which began on March 15, was to make an ecological survey of the proposed Big Bend National Park and assist the National Park service in working out administrative plans and policies. Mapping vegetation and determining methods of raising live stock were part of the work they did, while also studying the inter-relationship of plants and animals.

In the Big Bend country are found a great many species of plants and animals which are found in no other section of the United States. Some of these rare species are the yucca carnosana, a beautiful plant which is twenty feet tall, coucha's jay, Colyma warbler, and the blue-throated humming bird. Among the rare species of mammals are two kinds of bats, a cotton rat, and a kangaroo rat. Together with these are to be found many common animals such as beaver, white tail deer, and

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## Red Cross Workers Near Quota For Surgical Dressings

Figures released by Mrs. Betty Howard, Red Cross surgical dressing chairman for Brazos County, show the work rooms at College Station and Bryan have turned out 43,847 surgical dressings of their June-July quota of 52,200, and with continued cooperation from the women of these communities can complete the remaining 8,353 dressings and get a good start on the August-September quota during the balance of July.

The number of surgical dressings assigned each county as its quota are figured by Red Cross national headquarters on a population basis and represent the minimum expected from the women volunteers of that county, Mrs. Howard said.

During the week ending June 30, the records show that 295 individual women turned out 9,864 surgical dressings in these two work rooms, and during the

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## Town Hall Presents John Gurney In Free Concert

Cadets Attending Will March to Kyle Field For Seats In Reserved Section

Tonight at 8:30 the Summer Town Hall presents its first attraction of the summer in the person of John Gurney, Metropolitan Opera baritone, in a free recital on Kyle Field. Sections of Kyle Field facing the stage have been reserved for Aggies, Navy and Marine personnel, army personnel, and civilians. The authorities of the college have approved an extension of C. Q. tonight until 10:30 for those men that attend the performance.

## Dean Brooks Back From College Meet

Dean T. D. Brooks, of the Graduate school of Arts and Sciences, returned Friday from Austin where he spoke at a conference of junior colleges.

The conference was directed by Dr. Clarence Eby of Texas U. Attending the conference were delegates from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi, although most of the representatives were from Texas.

The main topic of discussion was the situation caused by the war in the junior colleges, with post war plans also considered. Dean Brooks spoke Friday morning on the State System of Junior Colleges.

Texas has fourteen municipal junior colleges, those to which the state contributes funds, and twenty-one private schools, all of which are under the jurisdiction of the local boards. In Oklahoma, the state has set up a state board of regents for all schools of higher education. This board unifies the policies of the various

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Company commanders will march their respective companies to the Kyle Field area for the program. It is a voluntary proposition and those men not desiring to attend are not required to do so.

At the present time Gurney is touring the country and according to reports is delighting audiences with his baritone voice. Releases state that Gurney is one baritone that looks like a baritone.

Another Summer Town Hall program featuring the Houston Symphony Orchestra is scheduled for August 17th.

## Juke Box Prom In Grove Saturday Night

Saturday night beginning at eight and lasting until twelve the Student Activities Office is sponsoring a "Juke Box Prom" in the Grove.

The dance will be open to everyone and the price of admission is set at 40 cents per couple including tax.

## Aggie Of The Week . . . . .

## George Strickhausen, Corps Commander, Top Rifleman In Fish Year At Aggieland

By Dick Goad

Having attained the highly coveted honor of Corps Cadet Colonel, George Strickhausen holds one of the most responsible positions on the campus.

As Corps Commander, Strickhausen is in charge of all cadet activities and also serves as head of the Senior Court, a military tribunal made up of a selected group of seniors.

Serving as cadet colonel is not a new task for Strickhausen as he served in the same capacity while attending Galveston High School. The son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Strickhausen, George attended the public schools in Galveston, winning a letter in football in his junior year, aside from being se-

lected as R. O. T. C. Cadet Colonel.

A member of the class of '44, Strickhausen entered A. & M. in September, 1940, as a "Fish" in "I" Battery Field. That was the year Bill Becker was Aggie Cadet Colonel. It was during his fish year at Aggieland that he won an all-school rifle match, outshooting all contestants. His major was Animal Husbandry at first but later on, in his junior year, he changed over to his present course, Veterinary Medicine.

Everything has not been rosy and bright for Strickhausen while at A. & M. though, for it was only two months ago that he nearly lost his life while representing A. & M. in inter-collegiate ath-

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