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DISCIPLINARY PROGRAM DISSOLVED

Charlie West Named New Cadet Colonel Committees Discontinued; New Program Instituted

Dan McGurk And Verne Scott Are Appointed Regimental Commanders

No Executive Officer of Corps Named; Higgs, Murnane, Crabtree, On Corps Staff

With the approval of the President of the College, the following promotions and assignments in the Corps of Cadets are announced, effective Monday, February 19. Charles R. West, senior Liberal Arts student, was named Cadet Colonel of the Corps and the two Regimental Commanders for the semester are Dan McGurk and Verne Scott. As yet, no executive officer of the corps has been selected. He also has the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

The announcement follows:

CORPS STAFF

Colonel C. R. West, Corps Commander; Major C. F. Crabtree, Adjutant; Major Jere Higgs, Plans & Training Officer; Major W. R. Benson, Personnel Officer; Captain T. G. Murnane, Athletic Officer.

Non-Commissioned Officers

Master Sergeant S. Jones, Sergeant Major; Master Sergeant J. L. Ward, Personnel Sergeant Major; Technical Sergeant R. H. Harrison, Supply Sergeant.

FIRST REGIMENTAL STAFF

Lieutenant Colonel D. L. McGurk, Regimental Commander.

Non-Commissioned Officers

None appointed.

FIRST BATTALION STAFF

Major P. A. Ostermayer, Battalion Commander; Captain R. Chenoweth, Executive Officer.

Non-Commissioned Officers

Master Sergeant A. C. Jefferson, Sergeant Major; Staff Sergeant R. E. Scruggs, Supply Sergeant.

COMPANY "A"

Captain J. S. Wyble, Company Commander; First Lieutenant J. L. Mizel, Athletic Officer.

Non-Commissioned Officers

First Sergeant T. L. Copeland, First Sergeant; Staff Sgts. Baker, O., Presnal, A. L., Platoon Sergeants; Hartwig, J. F. Supply Sergeant; Anderson, T. G., Staff Sergeant.

COMPANY "B"

Captain L. W. Schumann, Company Commander; First Lieutenant J. L. Moran, Executive Officer.

Non-Commissioned Officers

First Sergeant H. H. Hall, First Sergeant; Corporals, C. J. Murphy, R. F. Lynch, J. F. Drozd, Guy R. Norfleet, R. B. Shindler, S. B. Kelsey, H. N. Farrier; D. M. Denton;

H. C. Huddleston; W. S. McDonough.

COMPANY "C"

Captain H. K. Haines, Company Commander; First Lieutenant A. B. Ammons, Second-in-Command.

Non-Commissioned Officers

First Sergeant, L. N. McGuyre, First Sergeant; Technical Sergeant H. L. Prater; Staff Sergeants R. M. Vick, J. T. Rogers, Tom Stevens, L. B. Wardlaw, Platoon Sergeants; Corporals, Gordan L. Nunn, Johnny Van Zandt; C. Teal Singletary, B. W. Rosser, R. P. Swann, M. Mirsky, J. L. Slack, Graham Stookey; A. B. Orr.

COMPANY "D"

Captain James B. Henderson, Company Commander; First Lieutenant C. A. Banker, Second-in-Command; First Lieutenant R. C. Wilson, Platoon Leader.

Non-Commissioned Officers

First Sergeant R. E. Prince, First Sergeant; Staff Sergeant S. S. King, Platoon Sergeant.

COMPANY "E"

Captain Kearby, J. B., Company Commander; First Lieutenant B. E. Wright, Platoon Leader.

Non-Commissioned Officers

First Sergeant L. C. Williams, First Sergeant; Sergeants, Glenn B. Quick, J. L. Stone, J. H. Wilshusen, G. L. Peterman, H. Sinderman.

COMPANY "F"

Captain Robert K. Morris, Company Commander; First Lieutenant D. R. Langford, Second-in-Command.

Non-Commissioned Officers

First Sergeant Robert McCallum, First Sergeant; Sergeants, A. W. Blackstock; K. M. Frazelle; B. H. Osborne, C. H. Shelton, M. L. King, R. A. Castro.

THIRD BATTALION STAFF

Staff unnamed.

COMPANY "G"

Captain R. M. Hamner, Company Commander; First Lieutenant D. Lobrecht, Platoon Leader; (See COLONEL, Page 4)

Leachman And Briggs Are Rejected By Senate For Board Directors Posts

Blamed for Bungling Of 'Walton Dismissal'

While in executive session Thursday, the Texas Senate refused confirmation of Neth L. Leachman, of Dallas, and R. W. Briggs, of San Antonio to be members of the Board of Directors of Texas A. & M. College. It was stated that the rejection of Leachman and Briggs had nothing to do with the feud between certain Senators and Governor Coke R. Stevenson, but stemmed from bitter personalities, it was understood.

Senator J. Alton York of Bryan has openly resented what he said was intrusion and interference in the election in his senatorial district. Leachman and Briggs were overly active in supporting his opponent in his race for re-election. This is suspected of having been urged in the two-hour executive session Thursday, but there is no way of confirming it as all proceedings were secret.

In Governor's nominations, committee representatives from the ex-students protested the confirmation of Leachman and Briggs on the grounds that the College suffered for the manner in which the T. O. Walton case was handled. Saying that they fully recognized the right of the directors to change the college president when they deemed it necessary, the representative also stated that in their opinion the retirement of President Walton was a bungled affair.

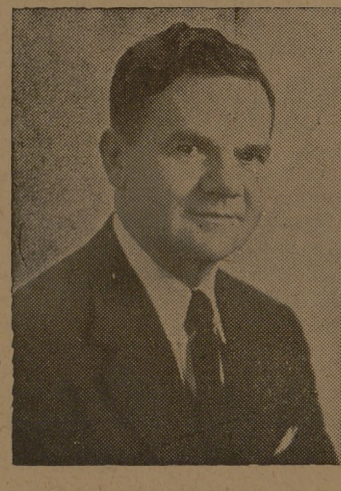
Now it is up to Governor Stevenson as to who should be nominated for the two vacant chairs in the board of directors at the College, and it is the general opinion that he will not have as hard a time picking nominees this time as he did last time when the controversy was over the selection of regents at Texas University.

A&M Sigma Xi Club Will Hold Meeting

An informal meeting of the Texas A. & M. Sigma Xi Club will be held at 8:00 p. m., on February 21 in the College Museum, A. L. (See A. & M., Page 2)



Reverend Stewart Clendenin, Superintendent of the Bryan District Methodist Church.



Reverend R. B. Sweet, Pastor of The Church of Christ, at College Station.

George Chance, Bryan Businessman, Named Head of Research Foundation

George G. Chance of Bryan, Texas was chosen president of the board of trustees of the Texas A. & M. Research Foundation at an organization meeting here last Friday. Mr. Chance is well known in state and national circles, being one of the foremost cotton planters in Texas, and also chairman of the Brazos River Reclamation Association, besides being director of the City National Bank at Bryan, and affiliated with the National Cotton Association.

The board of trustees selected Howard W. Barlow, Dean of Engineering here, as acting director of the research foundation. Instructions were given to the effect that the executive committee would elect a permanent director in a reasonable length of time.

Among those included in the naming of the executive committee were President Gibb Gilchrist of the A. & M. College, who had been serving as temporary chairman until the election of Chance; R. W. Briggs of San Antonio, who is retiring from the A. & M. board of directors; and Rufus Peoples, from Tehuacana, member of the board and president of the Former Students Association of A. & M.; and Dean Barlow.

E. E. McQuillen, secretary of the Former Students Association of A. & M., was named secretary-treasurer of the foundation.

Those added to the board of trustees in the industrial section include Dave Harris, Houston, and J. W. Carpenter and W. B. Clayton, both of Dallas.

In addition to Chance, the agriculture division of the board includes Victor Schoeffelmayer, Dallas, and Dean Emeritus Edwin J. Kyle, College Station.

Peoples, Briggs, and Cook are the alumni members of the board, while F. M. Law, Houston; E. L. Kirk, Lufkin, and State Senator George Moffett, Chillicothe, comprise the public members.

Existing research projects which

CLASS MEETINGS

Senior ('47) Tonight 7:15 Assembly Hall.

Juniors (2nd Class of '47) Wednesday, 5:00, Assembly Hall.

Sophs (Class '48) Friday, Friday, 5:15, Y Assembly.

Fish and Frogs, Friday, 5:00 Assembly Hall.

Let's go Aggies!

New Jurors To Be Selected From Faculty Panel; Dean of College to Preside

In an official notice released by President Gilchrist today, the previous disciplinary committee, made up of the Commandant, the Dean of the College, and the Deans of the various Schools, was dissolved.

As set forth in the statement, the new program, effective beginning today, Tuesday, February 20, provides for the following measures:

Institute of Natl. Understanding To Open Here Soon

Bryan-College Rotary Club Is Sponsor Of Four-Week Session

An Institute of International Understanding again will be held in the Bryan-College Station area from Feb. 23 to March 16 under the sponsorship of the Bryan Rotary Club. The institute will consist of four weekly meetings, presenting outstanding authorities on various phases of the general theme, "New Forces in World Affairs."

As announced by George M. Garrett, president of the Bryan Rotary Club, this program is being developed to give the people of these communities an opportunity to hear from informed speakers concerning the dominating forces on the world scene and their probable impact upon the postwar world.

A similar institute was presented early in 1944 by the Bryan Rotary Club with the general theme, "Contributors to a New World Order," and it was hailed generally as a worthwhile public service.

Discussions under the following titles will be presented at the time and place designated.

Friday, Feb. 23—Samuel D. Rosen, Chicago, Ill., "Russia's Position" (See ROTARY, Page 4)

1. Case Committees, hereafter called "Committees", presided over by the Dean of the College and drawn from a Faculty Panel, hereafter called "Panel", shall hear discipline cases.

2. A student charged with an offense or offenses against College regulations for which he may be suspended, dismissed, or required to withdraw shall be heard, his innocence or guilt shall be determined, and if found guilty punishment shall be recommended by a Committee selected by lot from the Panel provided, however, that on first offenses the Director of Student Affairs shall determine whether or not cases shall be submitted to the Panel for consideration or given a punishment not involving separation from the College.

3. The Director of Student Affairs shall represent the President and the faculty, and is authorized to approve punishment not requiring the student to leave College or to request the Panel to assume jurisdiction, depending upon the nature of the offense. All second offenses of this nature, however, shall be forwarded by the Director of Student Affairs to the Panel.

4. A Committee shall be composed of five members from the Panel, with the Dean of the College as Chairman without vote. He shall conduct proceedings and see that all possible evidence is presented clearly and fairly. He shall instruct the Committee on limits of punishment fixed by College Regulations for any charge. After (See DISCIPLINARY, Page 3)

Frank Wiegand, Wounded In Italy Is Only Veteran To Join Corps

By L. H. Calahan

Arnold Frank Wiegand, did you ever meet him? Or maybe you did meet him but he introduced himself as Frog Wiegand instead. Well, you could have talked to him for any length of time just thinking that he is one of the boys, well he is one of the boys, and he was one of our boys. Yes, Arnold Wiegand is the only veteran of World War Two that carries the handle of frog on his name; he is the only veteran to join the corps at the present time. I had a long talk with Frog Wiegand and learned a lot of things that I didn't know before, a lot of things that have changed my opinion about the things after the war. If all the boys are like this one, A. & M. is going to prosper by their coming back.

Let me tell you a few things about this bright eyed, five-foot eleven kid from Kansas. He left his mom and dad on July 23, 1943, and went into the Army. Camp Adair, Oregon, that's the place where he had his basic training, and also joined the 361st Infantry which is a part of the 91st Division. He didn't spend much time in the United States after he finished his preliminary training, and on the 20th day of April, 1944 he arrived in Africa. In North Africa his group took amphibious training, and then shoved off for Italy. Anzio was their destination, and they arrived there just in time to get into one of the major drives on Rome. His particular outfit saw their first real action in the cap-

ture of a small Italian village about twelve miles inland from Anzio. From this time on until June 30, Wiegand saw, action and fighting at its worst. While trying to capture the town of Radicoforte his outfit ran into a heavy enemy barrage. Wiegand, who was acting as messenger at the time saw the barrage cutting big holes in the front lines, and as he was radioing for medical assistance he was hit by an anti-personnel shell. The result being that his left forearm had to be amputated. After being treated by local doctors in the field he was transferred to a hospital in Naples. The best care humanly possible was being afforded the patients he said, and they had different types of musical entertainment also. On August 17, 1944 he left the hospital and two days later arrived in Miami, Florida. He was home, and for good.

McCloskey Hospital was his next stopping place, and here he met many Aggies who had been through practically the same thing as he. He said that these were the fellows that finally made his mind up as to where he wanted to go to college. Two Aggies that stood out in particular to Wiegand were Capt. C. J. Keese and Capt. Cunningham, both stationed at the hospital and part of its staff. McCloskey, he said, is really a wonderful place, and has a trained staff of men and women that can't be equalled anywhere in the world. I asked Frog Wiegand if he was scared while in the thick of battle, and he said he was scared as you know what, and so were

all of the other fellows. But he said it's the sight of your buddies lying in pain and agony that really makes you afraid of what is going to happen next.

Frog Wiegand was awarded the Bronze Star by Major General William Livera, commanding general of the 91st Division. He was presented the award at a special ceremony held on the battle front somewhere in Italy. Besides the Bronze Star he was awarded the Purple Heart, the Combat Infantry Badge, Army Good Conduct Medal and the Europe, Africa and Middle Eastern campaign ribbon, with one battle star.

Frog Wiegand is majoring in Chemistry, and if he gets along with it all right he intends to be a chemical engineer or chemist. Wiegand's room mate is Frog Elder, Frog Boyd Tucker Elder from Ft. Worth, a five-foot four, 106 pound hunk of real Texan who, by the way, is going to have to keep a sharp eye on that sweet little thing he has back home, because his room mate said that he can hardly get back to bird-dogging the women again. Yes sir, a true Aggie if I ever saw one.

If by some chance a freshman runs up and throws his right hand out, saying Frog Wiegand is my name, you grab it, because you'll be meeting the fellow that's leading the way for his fellow veterans, veterans that will have the same story as his. Fellows that just want to be one of the boys, real guys that want to change their name from Mr. Soldier to just plain Aggie.

Singing Cadets Have Interesting Time During Stay At Huntsville P.O.W. Camp

A Battalion Feature

This past weekend the Singing Cadets and the Aggeland Orchestra were guests of the Prisoner of War Camp at Huntsville, Texas. This was the latest appearance made by this group since its founding in 1938 by eighteen Aggies under the directorship of Professor J. J. (Joe) Woolket of the Modern Language Department. He was drafted into this job because of his previous service with the Glee Club at Oberlin College in Ohio and also because he had participated in several other singing organizations on the campus.

As the Singing Cadets grew in popularity, it was decided that they should make trips off the campus. This stimulated interest in the group and by 1940 there were 60 voices in the Singing Cadets.

This latest appearance of the Cadets proved to be very interesting to all who attended. The camp provided transportation in the form of a bus and a weapons carrier, the bus being used for pas-

sengers and the weapons carrier or the instruments which belonged to the Aggeland Orchestra. On the way over, the two vehicles stopped in Bryan and picked a number of Saturday afternoon hitch-hikers who were certainly mad happy by the whole deal.

It has not as yet been officially proved, but there is some rumor that Fish Kirk and the bus driver had a pretty good time but after all, bus trips do get monotonous. Beg pardon?

Upon arrival at the camp, the cadets were taken to a private barracks and then shown through the camp by an army captain. They ate in the mess hall and had German Prisoners of War waiting tables. On the trip through the camp, a stop at the PX was made and beer and cigarettes were immediately purchased. It's hard to understand why there is such a demand for these two items.

Some of the songs presented by the cadets during the evening were "Surrey With Fringe on Top", "They Didn't Believe Me", "Ole

Ark's Is Amoverin", "The Aggie War Hymn", and "The Twelfth Man." It seems that the girls from Sam Houston State Teachers College who were out to the dance were especially pleased with the music and particularly with the Aggie songs.

Some of the Singing Cadets who made the trip were Bill Harper, Gus Celaya, Lloyd Schumann, Peterman, Doc Kette, Fount Ray, Warren Brown, Fish Kirk, Fish Allen, and Fish Buenrostro. It seems that all had a pretty swell time except Harper who missed something by ten minutes. It was impossible to learn just exactly what it was, but it was probably nothing but the bus. That one might as well be written off.

After a wonderful evening Saturday, the bus returned the Aggies to the campus Sunday morning. The trip was pronounced a huge success by all, but there was one little item which was lacking. It seems that a first tenor is needed. Any recruits after this wild tale.