

Cadet Col. Announces Tentative Plans For Reveille Drive

Fund Already Boosted By Frog Donations; Skits To Be Staged

For the past three semesters the Battalion has been harping on a memorial for Reveille, and rightly so. Consequently we figure that there is no better time than the present to begin raising the desired funds.

In fact, temporary arrangements have already been made by a certain group of fellows who are proving that they have the stuff it takes to make good Aggies. Tuesday night the frog class raised well over a hundred dollars for the purpose of erecting a marker to replace the tattered wreath at the head of Reveille's grave. This will

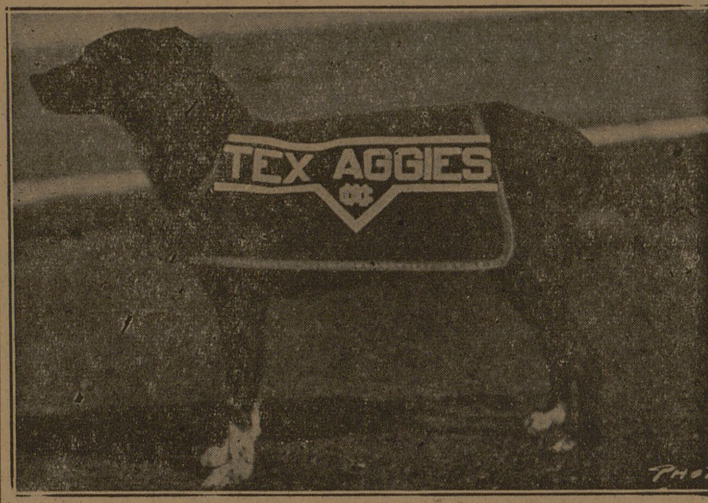
stand as a temporary monument until a sufficient amount is raised to replace the marker with a life-size statue of the Aggie mascot. Once this is accomplished the marker will be moved to the foot of the grave.

The entire corps will have a part in this endeavor. We intend to set our goal at \$1,000 and believe we can raise that amount in a bi-monthly campaign (double header). The committee that will handle the money is composed of Shannon Jones, Dick Baugh, Fish Gentry, Frog Weigand, and J. B. Kearby, who will act in the capacity of chairman.

The initial drive will begin as soon as Dwight McAnally and his staff complete a booklet on the life of Reveille. Such a book has been

intended since Reveille's death but no steps have ever been taken in that direction. Included in this publication will be all the tributes, eulogies, and encomiums that have been written about Reveille. Each member of the committee will have charge of the sale of this booklet in his respective class. All profits will go into the Reveille Funds.

The next chapter of the campaign will take place on the weekend of April 20 when the corps will enjoy the most important week-end of the Spring. Friday evening a Reveille Night will be staged in Guion Hall for the purpose of raising money for the fund. The Aggieband Orchestra and singing Cadets will perform, "free gratis," as well as other imported



talent. Each class will have an allotted half hour to present a short program of any shape, form, or fashion. It may be a skit, play, musical show or any type of entertainment so long as no outside talent is employed. The highlight of the evening will take place when the class that sponsors the best stunt will be awarded a grand prize. Immediately thereafter, a Corps Ball will be held in Sbis Hall.

The following Saturday will be filled with class receptions and class reunions all over the campus. At eight o'clock in the evening every Aggie will be in Guion Hall for the solemn observance of the Aggie Muster. More will be announced concerning this annual affair at a later date. A Corps Ball

Review of Rev's Life To Be Published; Copies To Be Sold

will also be held later in the evening.

We do not expect to spend the entire \$1,000 on a statue of Reveille. All money in excess of the actual cost will be donated to furnishing a Reveille Room in the proposed Student Activity Center which will be erected after the war.

Every fellow in Aggie land is going to have to pitch in this definitive effort to leave an appropriate memorial to the best-loved lady who ever invaded Aggie land. Charlie West, Cadet Colonel.

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Frogs Donate \$122.65 to Reveille Fund; Action Is Purely Voluntary

"Didn't Know Rev, But Wanted To Be Aggies"

By Bill Withers

This week by far the biggest contribution to the Reveille fund, since the beginning of that collection, was deposited at the Student Activities office by Frog Weigand in behalf of the entire Frog class. The Aggies in Dormitory No. 2 have succeeded in raising \$122.55 in the short time of three days.

Prior to this donation by the Frogs, the fund to buy a marker for Reveille amounted to only the sum of \$23.35. In spite of the fact that little difficulty was experienced in raising \$121.77 for Reveille's portrait and \$100.00 to make her a general in the K-9 corps, the little effort that has been expended to buy her a suitable monument has met with practically no success.

Weigand, Frog Wilson, and Frog Adams have worked to push the donation through. Weigand gave the credit for the idea to Frog Wilson, Frog Adams, Frog Moore, Frog Harris, Frog Holleman, Frog Menk, Frog Sims, and Frog Jones. He stated that the contributions are still coming in, and that he would welcome any other contributions from Frogs who cared to donate, adding that the Frog class consisted of only 186 men who had already given \$122.55 and are still contributing.

The donations have been entirely voluntary, Weigand stated, and he also said that no record at all had been kept of the money or from whom it came. The contributions have grown from \$75.00 Tuesday (See DONATIONS, Page 3)

Fred Hale Named Representative On Placing Committee

Fred Hale, chief of the division of swine husbandry, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, has accepted appointment to serve on the official placing committee of the National Duroc Picture Judging Contest, held by the Duroc News, official publication of the association.

Appointment was made by John B. Beckett, managing editor, of Peoria, Ill., and outstanding swine authorities from coast to coast were appointed to the committee.

Photographs of various show classes of Duroc hogs were run in the January and February issue of the magazine, and the judges were asked to place the entries according to present day medium type Duroc standards. The regular show classes included five classes of boars, five of sows and one of barrows.

Hale already has made his selections and has returned his ballot. Later the judges will be asked to give written reasons for their placings, and these opinions will be printed in forthcoming issue of the Duroc News.

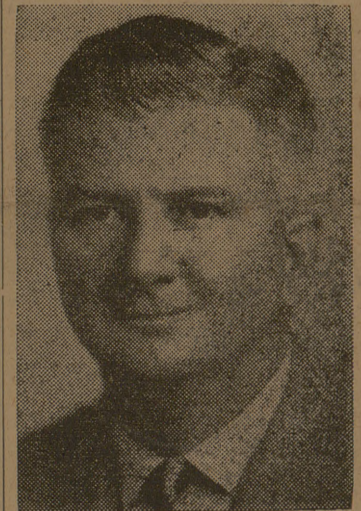
Womans Society To Meet Monday, 7:30

A meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the A. and M. Methodist Church will be held at the home of Mrs. F. R. Brison at 7:30 p.m. Monday night. Mrs. H. W. Barlow will be co-hostess at the affair.

Dr. Strong to Speak at Christian Church To Speak At Morning And Evening Services

Dr. Homer Strong of Long Beach, California, will speak at both the morning and evening services at the First Christian Church in Bryan next Sunday.

Rev. Francis Smythe, pastor of



Dr. Homer Strong

the church, urges all students who are members of that church to attend.

The church is located at the corner of 27th and South College, Bryan, on the bus line.

Texas Forest Service To Establish Plot Near College Sat.

On Saturday March 3rd, the Texas Forest Service in cooperation with the Boy Scouts of Troop 102, will establish an experimental forest plot near the College.

This planting will be made on land owned by Mr. L. D. Smith, City Manager of College Station, and will include six different kinds of trees about 6000 in all. The boys of the Troop will take over the planting job, they plan to spend the entire day at it.

The planting will include 500 black walnut trees that were donated by Mrs. R. C. Nunn. These trees are to be planted as a memorial to her son Roland Nunn, who was recently killed in action. Roland Nunn was a member of the Hawk Patrol of Troop 102, a patrol made up of Bryan boys who were members of the College Station Troop. The Texas Forest Service will probably name this experimental plot after Roland Nunn, and mark it as a cooperative project with the boys of Troop 102.

It is planned to hold a brief dedication service on the ground on Easter Sunday.

To encourage more interest in forestry and forestry protection, planting and fire-fighting films will be shown in Troop meetings. A hunting knife is being offered the boy of the Troop that brings in the location and measurement of the largest tree in this vicinity, and other awards have been set up to arouse competitive spirit.

Junior Prom And Banquet Tentatively Scheduled For Weekend Of April 13

A.S.T.P. Unit Here Given Inspection

An inspection of the A. S. T. P. unit here at college and all phases of its work was staged last Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 26th and 27th. The inspecting officers, according to Colonel Bennet were Colonel William S. Marris and Colonel William C. Rein. Colonel Marris holds a colonel's commission, and Colonel Rein is a Lieutenant Colonel.

The two inspecting officers came from the office of the Director of Military Training of the War Department in Washington, and both are affiliated with the School Division of the Army Service Forces in Washington, Colonel Bennet said, adding that it was the first time that either of the two men had ever been at A. & M.

Colonel Morris is on the General Staff in the Regular Army, while Colonel Rein is in the Infantry Reserve, being a graduate of Duke University.

Colonel Bennet stated that the inspectors investigated every aspect of the A. S. T. P. unit and its activities here, including the military phase as well as visiting the classrooms and even conducting personal interviews with a few individuals who were selected at random from the unit.

No report has been received yet as to the findings of the officials, but they stated that they did not find anything wrong and that everything seemed to be in good shape.

Approval By College Officials Needed

Tentative plans for the Junior Prom, Second Class of 1947, have been announced by Eli Barker, class president.

Friday, April 13, has been selected as the date for the dance, and has been approved by the Student Activities Office. If approved by college officials, the prom will be scheduled then. From 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. the Junior Banquet will be held, and dancing will last from 9:00 p.m. till 1:00 a.m., if these plans are approved.

Committees appointed by Barker to handle the dance plans are as follows: Planning Committee, Alfred Jefferson, chairman; Allen Ater, Melvin Pruitt, and the class officers; Program Committee: Dick Prater, chairman; Wayne Russell, and E. C. Clay; Decoration Committee: Harry Smith, chairman; Ted Copeland and Orville Bridges.

Ticket selling will be handled by the Finance Committee, whose chairman is Ed Wendt. In charge of selling for Dorms 4 and 6 will be Shelby King; Dorm 5, Fred Poe; Dorms 7 and 9, Glenn Quigg; Dorm 11, L. B. Wardlaw. Tickets will go on sale as soon as final arrangements have been approved. Their price has not yet been decided upon, but it is expected to be between four and five dollars. The ticket will include dinner for two, programs, and the dance. Stag tickets will be slightly lower.

Arrangements are being made to get an orchestra, and contacts have been made with at least two prominent college orchestras. Joe (See JUNIORS, Page 3)

Guion Workshop Open To Students

Equipment In Shop Donated By Tom Puddy

Tom Puddy, manager of Guion Hall, announced that he has finally gotten the go-ahead signal on his Guion Hall Workshop. The Guion Hall Workshop is Mr. Puddy's own idea and its sole purpose is to help the different Corps organizations make decorations and equipment for their various affairs. Located in the basement of Guion Hall, the workshop is to be opened to any organization on the campus and they are urged to make use of it. Mr. Puddy intends to help in every way possible, and being a man of unlimited talents in the field of stagecraft, he can probably give the organizations ideas that will add immensely to their occasion.

Equipment in the shop has been donated by Mr. Puddy. All types of wood-working machines and drills make up the balance of equipment, but there are many small hand tools that are available. Mr. Puddy's hobby is working with wood and decorations, and all of the equipment that is to be used has been loaned by him.

Not only is the workshop going to be used as a place to make decorations, but also as a storehouse. In this way equipment may be stored for future use, as it is now stage equipment used at the various dances has no place to be stored and therefore it is soon mis- (See WORKSHOP, Page 4)

Welfare Committee To Be Organized Delegates Elected From Each Btn.

Birdwell Is New Exchange Store Head

Succeeds Chatham; Headed Similar Store At John Tarleton

Carl Birdwell, former manager of the College Store and the Recreation Hall at John Tarleton Agricultural College has been appointed by President Gibb Gilchrist as manager of the College Exchange Store here at A. & M. He will replace R. K. Chatham who will go on modified service April 1st.

College employees who reach the age of 65 are placed on modi-



Carl Birdwell

fied service until the retirement age of 70 is reached, at which time the teacher retirement benefits are available. Mr. Birdwell's resignation will become effective March 31, and he is to take over his new duties on April 1st.

Mr. Birdwell, a lifelong resident of Stephenville, has been manager of the John Tarleton Agricultural College Store for the past 19 years, and in addition has served during (See BIRDWELL, Page 4)

College Community Chest Contributes to Red Cross Campaign

The College Station Community Chest has contributed to the various drives which have been conducted by charitable and service organizations during the year, and is planning to do its share in the coming Red Cross campaign. The Community Chest will contribute \$5,600 to this drive, and will be glad to handle additional contributions by members of the College community. Any contributions made to the Community Chest at this time will go directly and in full to the Red Cross, and the college and College Station will receive credit for the contribution.

Persons wishing to contribute to the Red Cross may mail their contributions to College Community Chest, c/o Dr. Ide P. Trotter, Campus.

J. W. Rollins Chairman Some Faculty Included

J. W. Rollins, chairman of the Student Welfare Committee, has announced the organization of that committee for this semester.

Student membership is to consist of one senior from each battalion of the corps, to be elected by the battalion; three juniors, elected by the junior class; two sophomores, elected by the sophomore class; and one freshman, usually the president of the freshman class.

The Cadet Colonel and the editor of the Battalion are usually asked to sit in on the meetings of the committee.

He asks that the corps begin electing their representatives as soon as possible, in order that they will be ready to attend the first meeting when it is announced.

Members of the faculty who sit on these meetings are as follows: J. W. Rollins, M. L. Cashion, E. E. McQuillen, W. L. Penberthy, W. E. Street, G. B. Wilcox, J. H. Millirr, V. M. Faires, J. S. Hopper, C. C. Doak, F. W. Hensel, J. J. Woolket, J. G. Peniston, and S. A. Lipscomb. These men were appointed by President Gilchrist last January 26.

Gilchrist Speaks To Corpus Christi Clubs

Speaking at two functions in Corpus Christi this week, President Gibb Gilchrist outlined the future of cotton industries in Texas, and told of Post-War plans for A. & M.

He first appeared at a meeting of the Corpus Christi Ex-Students Club, and talked to them after their regular monthly meeting at the Princess Louise Hotel.

Gilchrist stated that he expects a great increase in A. & M. enrollment as soon as the war is over. The enrollment now, he said is about 1,450, while it was over 7,000 before the war. He noted that A. & M. is a six-million dollar business.

According to the president, "One of the main projects of the college after the war is the establishment of universal military training, with a military science degree attached."

E. E. McQuillen, president of the Ex-Students Association, was also present at the meeting. Gilchrist was introduced by Col. W. W. Sterling.

Gilchrist prophesied the future of the cotton industry in Texas, and talked about the reasons that every business man should get behind it, at a meeting of the Lions Club in the Plaza Deck at Corpus Christi the following noon.

The Battalion To Be Published Weekly

Because of wartime restrictions and shortages, the business office of The Battalion has found it necessary to publish once a week. With increased coverage of news from all phases of the campus, it is believed the quality of the Battalion will not suffer. Publication will be made on Thursday of each week, and delivery will continue to be made to the dormitories and to the faculty exchange.

The Manager of Student Activities.

Aggie of the Week . . .

Jack Palmer, Former Regimental Head Hopes For Return Of "Batt" Magazine

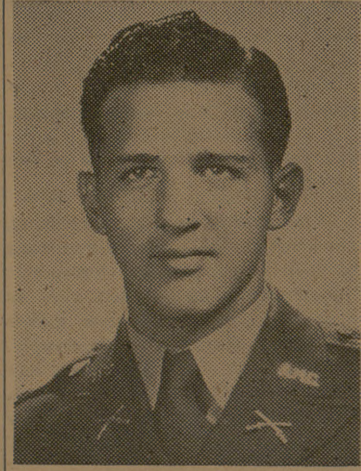
By Bill Withers

"Probably the two single things that I will remember the longest about Aggie land are the thrills that I received when I first took off my fish stripe and when I walked down the sidewalk for the first time," Jack Palmer reminisced as he was called upon to state just what A. & M. meant to him.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Palmer, Jack is a handsome, likeable Aggie who is well known on the campus. He hails originally from Lubbock, Texas, but states that he was reared in New Valley, now residing at Laredo.

Palmer attended San Marcos Academy and left a creditable record behind him, for he lettered in football and received a commission as a second lieutenant and adjutant the last year that he was there. Besides this, he won a medal for rifle marksmanship and shot in the Randolph Hearst Trophy Match while he was on the rifle team.

Upon his entrance into A. & M., Jack was assigned to "E" Company, Infantry, his company commander being Oscar Turner. Since then he has made a creditable record at A. & M., as he was a Cadet



Jack Palmer

Lieutenant Colonel on the Second Regimental staff last year and is president of the Laredo A. & M. Club.

Getting a glimpse of the lighter side of Palmer's life, one finds that he has a not-so-secret passion for "wine, women, and song." Highest on his hit parade is "Sweet and Lovely," and his favorite food is

the good old Duncan standby, steak and potatoes. His favorite women, he declares, are his sister in Georgetown, and "a cute little brunette in Houston who is his main interest." His favorite sports include football, baseball, and handball. When asked what he would do if he had his choice of anything, he said that he would first want a week of sleep, then he would raise Cain for a whole week, and then, Jack says, "I wouldn't know just what to do."

Jack states that he will never forget his fish year. "You knew that you were the lowest thing on the campus, and yet you were glad of it," he said. One of the things he likes best about A. & M. is the fact that the school is not co-educational and also the dormitory life. He hopes someday to see the senior class given the reins to control the corps with government by the administration and Commandant's office reduced to a minimum, and he also longs for the return of the "Battalion" magazine.

Palmer is 19 years old, and a Veterinary Medicine major of the Class of '46. Upon graduation he expects to open a practice in Laredo.