

# The Battalion

VOLUME 44

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 29, 1945

NUMBER 73

## An Editorial

### Texas Aggie Libraries In Hospitals

A drive is now underway to establish Texas Aggie Libraries at each of the five Army General Hospitals in Texas. Already, five copies of the Longhorn, dated from 1940 through 1944, have been delivered to recuperating Aggies at McCloskey General Hospital at Temple. Similar copies will be given to the other hospitals in the near future.

In providing wounded Aggies with these books it is hoped that their time of convalescing will pass much faster and more pleasantly. At the present time reading is practically the only recreation the men can enjoy with their limited means and, as their different expressions of appreciation proved upon receipt of the first five copies, a Longhorn is truly a gift book from Heaven. Yes, the Longhorn is only a book, but unlike the other books given these men, it is a book whose pictures never fade, whose pages know no ending. As one man exclaimed, "we look at the familiar faces and the familiar places, and then we sit and spend hours just reminiscing and reliving our years at Aggieland once more. We could never tire of looking through that book. It's one of those you enjoy the tenth time you read it as much as you do the first time you turn through the pages. We're all true Aggies to the last man and A. & M. is on our mind constantly, during the day, when we go to sleep and when we get up." "Maybe we're slowed down just a little now, but we'll all be back some day," is the continual refrain throughout the wards.

The feeling these men have for their school and their constant concern over its welfare is easily understandable. It is no wonder they gain such intense joy and pleasure from an Aggie periodical. Aggieland was the only life they ever knew; the last memorable era before they were shuttled off to sacrifice an arm or a leg for their country. Before then they have their life at A. & M., behind them is their life at Aggieland. Small wonder these men are so conscious of their school.

The initial twenty-five Longhorns given to the five hospitals have been supplied by the Student Activities Office. More copies, printed prior to the 1940 issue are needed for these men. If you have two copies of an annual, or a Longhorn which you can spare now, give it to these deserving men. It really isn't much, when you consider what they gave for you. Turn in your copies now to the Student Activities Office and give these men an opportunity to fit themselves into the life they knew in happier years.

As one misty eyed Ex, who had enjoyed two good legs prior to the battle of Salerno explained, "You don't know how much it can mean to us."—Dick Goad.

## Corps Is Deserving of Highest Praise For Showing In Review, Says Welty

### Fed. Inspectors Seemed To Have Been Pleased

The entire Corps is deserving of the highest praise in regard to the revue Tuesday, said Colonel M. D. Welty today. Colonel Welty stated further he thought that the revue was as good as any ever held here, from a strictly military standpoint view.

The inspecting officers seemed to have been pleased with every phase of the work that they inspected. As yet, however, no word official or otherwise, has been received from the officers and their report is not expected to reach here for a week or so, but it is generally believed that the Corps will be allowed to keep the coveted Blue Star. Although Colonel Coiner did not inspect any dormitories or rooms, he did visit Military Science classes and he did have certain organizations give demonstrations of extended order drill, etc.

Colonel Welty also declared that the men had made a "fine showing" and that he especially wanted to thank the senior cadet officers for their participation in the revue, which was more or less voluntary.

## Prof. Sorrels To Speak At Meeting Of Sigma Xi Club

Professor J. H. Sorrels, Research Associate, Engineering Experiment Station of A. and M. College will lecture on "Essential Oil Production in Texas" at the coming meeting of the Sigma Xi Club. Professor Sorrels' subject will cover a part of his research work on essential oils which are used in perfumes, drugs, flavoring, and essences. His talk will be illustrated and the products of part of his research will be shown in demonstrations.

The officers, President, J. D. Lindsay, Head of the Chemical Engineering Department; Vice-president W. A. Varvel, Associate Professor of Psychology; and the Secretary and Treasurer A. A. L. Mathews extend a cordial invitation to all who are interested in research and especially to the wives of the members and invited guests to attend the lecture which will be held in the Geology and Petroleum Building, Room 115, at 8:00 p. m., Wednesday, April 4, 1945.

## Girl Scout Banquet To Be Held In April

The annual Girl Scout banquet, held in celebration of the founding of Girl Scouting in the United States, will be held April 13 at Duncan Hall on the campus of A. & M. College, by the Girl Scouts of Bryan and College Station, it has been announced.

The banquet will honor the mothers and fathers of the Girl Scouts of this community. Plans to entertain more than four hundred guests are underway at this time. Attendance at the banquet held last year was almost four hundred and in view of the exceptional growth of Girl Scouting in this community this past year, it is expected that the attendance will be considerably larger than the last one. The banquet is open to the public and all those in the community who are interested in the work that Girl Scouts are doing are invited to attend, it has been announced.

The banquet is held each year and has alternated in honoring either the fathers or the mothers of the girls. But it was decided by the group that this year the dinner would be held for both parents so that the entire community may see what a valuable asset to our country Girl Scouting is. The program for the banquet will utilize the abilities and interests of the girls in Scouting, which is the largest group of organized girls in the country. It will stress the program of character building and fun that is the dominate factor back of Girl Scouting throughout our nation.

This will celebrate the thirty-third birthday of the national organization of Girl Scouts of America, which has a membership of more than a million girls and women in America alone. It is part of a world wide organization that includes girls from thirty-two countries. The national organization is known as the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. In this community alone approximately 400 girls are members of Girl Scouting.

The organization here is headed by a council of advisors, who are headed by I. N. Kelley as commissioner and Mrs. W. E. Morgan, deputy commissioner.

## Hearne Guards Score Nine Runs In Wild Eighth Inning To Topple Aggie Nine 14-12; Two Teams Play Rematch On Aggie Diamond Sat.

### Aggieland's Own Singing Cadets



## Singing Cadets Scheduled For Town Hall Tuesday Night

### Geology Department Appoints Asst. Prof.

Frederick A. Burt, acting head of the Geology Department, announced today that C. O. Nickell has been appointed assistant professor of Geology for the remainder of the semester. Mr. Nickell received his B. S. in Geology at the University of Texas. From 1919 until 1926 he was divisional geologist of the Texas Company, and from 1926 until 1930 he was geologist with the Continental Company. He worked at the University of Texas and the Bureau of Economic Geology until 1932 at which time he turned to the job of being an independent consulting geologist in Texas and California. He remained in this capacity until his retirement in 1939. Since 1942 he has been serving as an ordnance inspector with the United States Army at Boulder, Colorado.

During the two years that he was connected with the Bureau of Economic Geology he was co-author of Bulletin No. 3801 entitled "Stratigraphic and Paleontologic Studies of the Pennsylvanian and Permian Rocks in North-Central Texas."

### Houston Aggies to Have Dance Saturday

At a recent meeting, the Activities Committee of the Houston A. & M. Club made plans for a dance to be held in Houston.

The date announced was March 31, and the dance will be held in The Aragon Club, 1010 1-2 Rusk Avenue, from 8:30 until 12:00 p. m. Reservations were not obtained for the group, but every one will get together inside. Regular admission will be charged. All Aggies in Houston this weekend have been cordially invited.

## Choral Group to Offer Series of Sacred, Secular, Patriotic and School Songs

Tuesday night, April 3, the Singing Cadets, under the direction of Wm. M. Turner, will be presented on Guion Hall stage in the next to last program that is to be held on Town Hall this season. The Cadets will sing a medley of tunes both old and new, both classical and popular.

The program opens with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, which is followed by "This Is My Country." A religious hymn, "The Crusader's Hymn" immediately follows and it is followed by "Ole' Ark's A'Moverin", a popular old negro spiritual. In keeping with the occasion, the next number will be "Easter Parade", a number that has been popular for many years.

### McDowell Leaves For Experiment Station Director's Meeting

Acting Director C. H. McDowell, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, left Monday for New Orleans to attend a meeting of the Directors of the Experiment Stations of twelve Southern States. The meeting begins today and lasts through Thursday. Work being done by the Southern Regional Laboratory at New Orleans will be discussed. The laboratory, in existence only a few years, already has made substantial progress in analytical and physical studies with cotton, sweet potatoes and peanuts.

Studies also are under way in the finishing of cotton textiles, the characteristics of cotton fibres and the properties and utilization of cotton and the competing fibre products.

Studies of oils and oil seed processing and the possible by-products that arise from these substances are in progress. Studies of plants other than starch plants are also under way and the engineering involved in bringing these products into usefulness is being explored. This includes the chemical engineering involved in processing utilization of fats.

## Industrial Extension Service Head Conducts Training Institute

Safety and accident prevention problems are highlighting a Conference Leader Training Institute being conducted Monday through Friday of this week in Dallas under the direction of E. L. Williams, head of A&M's Industrial Extension Service.

This conference is in session each day from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Its purpose is to train management officials, supervisors and workers in the industries in which they work and inspect. It also is to give them help in teaching safe or correct industrial practices and in putting on demonstrations.

Enrollment in the Conference Leader Training Institute now in progress has been selected from various agencies of the U. S. government.

## Tennis Workouts Being Held Daily

By R. F. Huston

All men interested in tennis have begun working out this week after a meeting called last Thursday by Coach Norton. With no tennis coach available this season, Tommy Penn, letterman on last year's team, was appointed by Norton to take over the duties of student coach.

Penn is the only remaining player from last spring, however, prospective players include several regional and district high school champions, and the present outlook is for a good team, though inexperienced.

Games are being scheduled with various Southwest Conference and (See TENNIS, Page 3)

## Major League Vets On Hearne Roster

Over-coming an Aggie 12-5 lead, the guards of the Hearne Prison Camp piled up nine runs in the eighth to take a wild scoring ball game there yesterday.

Taking the lead early in the game, the Maroon and White nine led the Hearne boys by a score of 12-5 at the close of the fifth inning. This score was kept at a standstill until the Veteran Baseballers cut loose in the eighth to pile up a sensational nine runs.

Purtle, hurler for the Farmers yesterday, managed to hold the Hearne guards to five hits with nine strike-outs through the first seven innings. After striking Bond out in the eighth, Purtle walked two men and hit one with a pitched ball to load the bases for the rally which followed. A single by Weber followed by Rainbolt's triple, scored four runs for Hearne. Two more singles by Willoughy and McElroy scored a fifth run and again set root for a scoring spree. An error by Strickhausen allowed the two men on base to come in home as well as allow the batter to take second base; this registered a score of 12-12.

At this critical moment Pete Jones ran in Sterling Deitz, one of his reserve pitchers. Deitz struck Iantank out which totaled two outs for Hearne. With one man on base, the Hearne team started around the batting order for the second time as Bond slapped a single over second. Proctor planted the last hit of the game over right short-stop to score the winning runs of the ball game. Viera struck out to close a mighty inning of offensive baseball.

The "hit-run-error" ridden Aggies could make no comeback at the Hearne score in their last try at bat. The game ended with Hearne Prison Camp leading 14-12.

The Aggies had three big innings; everyone registering hits during the ball game except Ellis. Prince, Newsome, Purtle, Ellis, and Strange scored in the second while Katt, Newsome, Ellis, and Strickhausen tallied in the fourth. These runs piled up a total of nine as compared with Hearne's four. The last big inning for the Maroon and White was the fifth when DeLafosse, Matthews, and Katt did the good work.

There were no home runs hit during the game, however, Newsome hit a high ball over left field in the fourth which was good for a triple. If you remember, Newsome slugged two "homers" in a game against the Southwestern Pirates last week-end. For eighteen times at bat Newsome has gotten six hits.

Walsten pitched for the Hearne boys during the first three innings. He was replaced by Turner who finished the game. Most of the men on the Hearne team have had previous major and Texas league experience. They were all capable of taking advantage of a weakened pitcher. They also scored a run for every hit. The same can be said for the Aggies. Strange as it may seem, both teams tallied a total of twenty-six hits with an equal total of runs.

The Aggies will play their last pre-conference baseball game Saturday, March 31 on the Kyle Field Diamond. The Maroon and White will clash with the Hearne Prisoners of War on that afternoon.

The schedule for the remainder of the season will follow this pattern:

Hearne Prisoners (H)	March 31
Texas	April 6
SMU (2-H)	April 14
SMU	April 19
TCU	April 20
TCU	April 21
Rice (H)	April 27
TCU (H)	May 4
Rice	May 9
Rice	May 10
Texas (H)	May 18
Texas (H)	May 19

(H) denotes home games