

Sophomore Ball Scheduled For Sbisa Hall Friday Nite Senior Ring Dance Arrangements Are Completed

W. L. Penberthy Is Principal Speaker; Banquet To Be Held In Duncan Hall

Final plans for the social highlight of the spring semester, the annual Senior Ring Dance and Banquet, have been announced by Dan McGurk, president of the Senior class, calling for the banquet ceremonies to be held in Duncan Hall and the dance and ring ceremonies to follow in Sbisa Hall on the evening of May 11th.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by Bill Turner and the Aggeland Orchestra and special decorations are being designed by a committee headed by Johnny Spragens. The motif to be used in the decorations will not be announced but it is understood elaborate building and designing is now underway in the Corps workshop and Spragens promises a treat for Seniors and their guests. The traditional ring ceremony, in which the Senior's date turns his ring while standing in the replica of the famous Aggie ring, will be followed. Participating will be all men who have received their Senior rings and who have not previously been through a ring ceremony.

The main address at the banquet will be delivered by W. L. Penberthy. Guests of honor include college administrative heads. Committees now at work include the following: Finance, program, decoration and dance. Ticket sales are being handled by Alec Mijalis, Charlie Crabtree and Melvin Maltz.

Religious Week To Be Observed May 6-13

Sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Religious Book Week is to be observed nationally through the week May 6 to 13.

In observing this special period the College Library has planned a program to be carried out during the week. At 3:45 Thursday afternoon, May 10, over Radio Station, WTAW, the Reverend Kurt Hartman of the Lutheran Church here, will review "I Still Believe in God," by J. A. Dell. This will be carried over the Library's regular weekly program, Something To Read.

Reverend Francis J. Smythe, pastor of the First Christian Church of Bryan, will review the book, "In His Steps", by Charles M. Sheldon in the Library's weekly column in the BATTALION.

Also appearing in the BATTALION will be a list of books chosen by qualified leaders of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths for the observance of this week.

Also, the Library will display a shelf of these and other books of religious interest during the week.

Aggie of the Week . . .

Charlie Crabtree, Executive Officer

By H. L. Calahan
From Fort Worth, Texas, more commonly known as "Cowtown" to the Aggies, hails Charlie Crabtree, the blond, bright-eyed executive officer of the Corps. Crabtree holds the rank of cadet Lieutenant Colonel, which can be easily noticed by the two silver diamonds that adorn his shoulders and shine from beneath his short stranded burr-haircut. Charlie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Crabtree who are now living in Fort Worth. Mr. Crabtree is an Aggie-ex of the class of 1918, graduating with a degree in Electrical Engineering.

Charlie attended elementary and high school at his home town and Polytechnic High School was his stepping stone between junior high and college. He received his diploma from Poly High in 1942 and entered A. & M. in January of 1943 as an Aeronautical Engineering student. Old "C" Battery,

W. L. Evans Wins Slide Rule Contest

W. L. Evans, Fort Worth, was awarded the new slide rule offered as grand prize in the slide rule contest held each semester at the Texas A. & M. College among freshmen engineering students. For the first time in the about twelve years that this contest has been going on, awards were made Tuesday in an open meeting attended by Dr. Howard W. Barlow, dean of Engineering, and heads of the departments in the School of Engineering.

To be eligible to participate in the slide rule contest a cadet must be in the top 20 percent of his class in scholastic grades. The course, which is required of all freshmen engineering students, is known as Engineering Problems. Each student entering the contest was awarded a small plaque with a card bearing his name on the back and the card signed by the head of the department in which the student is specializing. From the group also were selected the two students in each engineering course making the best showing with a slide rule. A larger bronze plaque was awarded first-place winner and a similar aluminum plaque went to the winner of second place.

Prizes announced by the heads of each engineering department in the order shown included:

Chemical Engineering: J. G. Mears, Levelland; A. Holleman, Dallas.

Petroleum Engineering: C. J. Parker, Dallas; H. M. Walne, Dallas.

Aeronautical Engineering: N. C. Heffron, Houston; P. W. Marks, Caldwell.

Electrical Engineering: W. L. Evans, Fort Worth; R. W. Johns, Houston.

Civil Engineering: Geo. O. Muller, Fort Worth; Geo. E. Marble, Dallas.

Mechanical Engineering: Chas. Luedtke, Jr., Fort Worth; A. E. Baron, Dallas.

All freshmen engineering students attended the announcement ceremony which was held in the College YMCA chapel.

Students Hold Muster Program In Guion Hall



Highlights of the Aggie Muster held here on the campus are pictured above. In the lower right, '95 Class President, A. U. Smith, is shown dismissing the student muster. He is flanked on the Guion stage by Bob English and Hank Avery. In lower right, Lt. Clifton H. Chamberlain, '40, addresses the muster. Above, is shown the Class of '95 which celebrated its golden anniversary. From left to right, sitting: F. A. Lowry, Magnolia; Dr. Hiram T. Coulter, Rockdale; Dr. Hines Clark, Crowell; G. R. White, Brady; Harry P. Jordan, Waco; A. G. Farmer, Junction. Standing are: Walter J. Coulter, Bryan; D. D. Peden, Houston; A. W. Amthor, La Feria; A. U. Smith, Dallas; F. M. Law, Houston; A. H. Fitzgerald, Gonzales; and A. F. Moursand, San Angelo. Also present for the reunion but missing the picture was W. F. Hutson, Austin.

Fireman's Course To Be Offered Here

Session To Be Made Up Of Five Courses

For the benefit of firemen in small towns and rural areas of the

State, the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas will conduct the 16th annual Firemen's Training School here May 28-June 1. H. R. Brayton, professor of inorganic chemistry, who was a lieutenant colonel in the Chemical Warfare Service for the past three and a half years, has returned to duty at the Texas A&M College and again will direct the short school.

Four primary courses of instruction highlight the program for the 1945 training school instead of three as in recent years. These are the General Basic course, Red Cross Lay-Instructor's First Aid course, Fire Department instructor course, and the additional course is for fire marshals.

Where a community has a fireman completing any of the four primary courses and returns to his home department his community gets a three percent credit in the whole town fire rate, Director Brayton said.

Outstanding speakers have been selected to address general assemblies to be held each forenoon and afternoon of the firemen's training school. A majority of the registrations will be made May 27 with the last five days of the short school devoted to full-day instruction. Charges to be assessed against

Session Was Composed Of Three Previously

those taking the firemen's training courses will total \$17.00, being (See FIREMAN'S, Page 6)

Aggeland Orchestra To Play Class, Corps Dances

Final plans are now being made for the Sophomore Ball that is to be held in Sbisa Dining Hall Friday night, May 4th. Ed Brandt, chairman of the Dance Committee, said that everything is being arranged as planned and that this weekend should set a high mark as being one of the finest seen on the A. & M. campus in quite awhile.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

All students who wish part-time employment during the summer term (June 4 to September 22, 1945) are urged to file an application renewal with the Placement Office immediately. Also, those students who have not filed applications but desire employment, should file with us an application at this time. Renewals and applications will be accepted beginning Friday, May 4 through May 31.

Wendell R. Horsley
Director, Placement Office.

Cashion To Meet With All Boys Approaching Eighteenth Birthday

Mr. M. L. Cashion of the Y. M. C. A. would like very much to speak to those Aggies who are approaching their eighteenth birthday in this month of May and are planning to enter the service in the near future.

Those in this category who are doubtful as to what branch of service they like best or are best fitted for and other similar problems see Mr. Cashion at their first opportunity.

Reverend Donaho To Address Freshman Convocation Tuesday

Reverend John Donaho, Pastor of the Oak Lawn Methodist Church in Dallas, will speak at the Freshman Convocation Tuesday, May 8, at eleven o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. Chapel.

Very popular and much in demand as a speaker, Donaho is a veteran to the campus, having addressed the freshmen last year and served in the capacity of speaker at commencement exercises.

Donaho is a graduate of Southern Methodist University where he was captain of the college cross country team and a student leader in many functions. He has held many outstanding positions in the Methodist Church.

Rev. Donaho's friends and public have been cordially invited to attend the meeting.

One of the special arrangements made for the cadets and their guests is the separate section that is to be provided for them in the mess hall during lunch and supper meals Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The College Station Garden Club intends to place flowers on each table in order to add a formal note to the occasion.

President and Mrs. Gibb Gilchrist will hold open house for the Sophomores and dates at the first intermission. The second intermission will feature a "surprise" floor show.

A number of special events will be staged over the week-end of the Ball, the most important of which is the intramural swimming meet which will be held Saturday afternoon. Also between 4 and 8 on the afternoon of May 5th all sophomores and their (See SOPHOMORE, Page 6)

Trio Of College Burglars Caught

With State Highway Patrol, and local peace officers cooperating, the burglary of Luke's Grocery on April 22 has been solved with the arrest Sunday night in Texas City of three Houston youths who have confessed a total of 16 burglaries and 4 auto thefts, according to an announcement from Lee Norwood, City Marshal of College Station.

Apprehended in a stolen car, the youthful trio, Glen Snow, 19, Sherifffield Wesley Lawrence, 17, and Luther Bradford, 19, have signed confessions admitting breaking into and entering business houses in 10 Texas communities. The three are now confined in the Brazos County jail and will first be tried here. Lawrence previously has served in the state reformatory and Bradford has served a term in the penitentiary for burglary.

Cooperating with Marshal Norwood were Lester Robertson of the Highway Patrol, Sheriff Harry Koontz and his deputy, C. W. Saxton, and Virgil Estil, Constable, Precinct 4.

Entry to Luke's was made by breaking a glass front door. A number of butcher's tools were taken.

Mrs. Maggie W. Barry, Long Time Worker In Extension Service, Dies In Houston

One of Texas' outstanding educators, Mrs. Maggie Hill Barry, 82, who had been associated with Texas A. and M. College for more than a quarter of a century, died Monday night in a Bryan hospital after a long illness. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, followed by interment in the Bryan City cemetery.

The Rev. James Butler was in charge of the services. Active pallbearers included: C. Hohn, Travis Bryan, L. P. Gabbard, D. L. Weddington, W. I. Glass, and J. D. Prewit. All other men of the Extension Service headquarters staff were designated as honorary pallbearers.

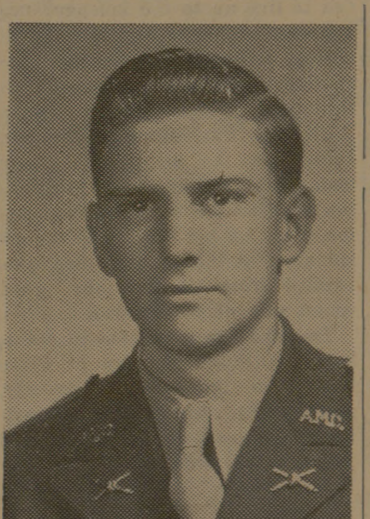
Maggie Wilkins Hill Barry was born near Palo Alto, Miss., January 5, 1863, the daughter of Jennie Calvert and Dr. Samuel Van Dyke



Mrs. Maggie W. Barry Hill. Her early instruction was in private schools at Macon, Miss.,

and Tuscaloosa, Ala., and she entered college at 14. She received a Master of Arts degree from the Murphreesboro Institute in Tennessee, studied music at Boston, New Orleans and Paris, France, where she also studied French poetry and drama with Marie du Minil of the Theatre Francais. While at Paris she also did post graduate work in German and Italian with Lidva von Krockow of Berlin and Dresden.

Much of Mrs. Barry's life was devoted to teaching. She was instructor in modern languages in Murphreesboro, Tenn., and later was a member of the faculty of Whitworth College, Miss. She came to Texas in 1888 as head of the department of English at Kidd-Key College, Sherman, devoting (See MRS. BARRY, Page 6)



Charlie Crabtree
Coast Artillery, was the first outfit that Crabtree was in, and now