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### J. R. Bryant of Austin Is Named To Lead Freshmen

J. R. Bryant of Austin, Texas was elected president of the Freshman Class at Texas A. & M. College for the 1945 summer semester. Other officers chosen at the meeting held Thursday, June 14, at the Assembly Hall were Jeffries, of Houston, vice president; W. I. Watson of Dallas, secretary; and W. J. Hallmark of San Antonio, treasurer.

Bryant and the other newly elected officers expressed their appreciation of the confidence expressed by the class and their determination to furnish capable and devoted leadership to the class. Plans for a Fish Ball to be given during the semester were discussed in detail.

### Clean-up Week Is Planned by City

The week of June 25 has been designated as "Clean-up Week" by the mayor and city council of College Station. Rubbish which is not ordinarily taken up by the garbage collectors will be picked up free of charge by the city truck if placed on the street in front of residences, in boxes or bundles which will permit easy handling. Collections will be made in accordance with the following schedule:

June 25—College Park, West Park, and Oakwood.  
June 26—College Hills, Cooner, Gorzycki, and North of Highway 6.  
June 27—North Gate.

Cooperation of College Station residents has also been solicited in maintaining the present favorable fire insurance rate. "We have recently had some fire alarms which were unnecessary owing to the fact that they were grass fires," stated City Manager Lloyd Smith. "Citizens are requested to cooperate by cutting back at least six feet from their hedges and lot lines. There is not much danger except with an extremely high wind that the grass fire will spread over that distance. Please do not turn in a fire alarm unless it is necessary to protect buildings, since the cost to taxpayers is approximately \$50.00 per call, and this money can be used to greater advantage in other places. In addition to the cost, there is a hazard to the firemen riding on the high-powered trucks."

"We hope that citizens will not make the wrong interpretation of this statement," continued Smith. "If buildings are involved, do not hesitate to turn in the alarm. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated by your mayor and city council."

## What's Cooking

Thursday, June 21: Softball, A. & M. Military Staff vs. BAAF Student Officers, 9:30 p.m. at Haswell Park, Bryan.  
Friday, June 22: Beginners' swimming instruction, 1:45 p.m. at Downs Natatorium.  
Softball, A. & M. Methodists vs. Hearne, 9:30 p.m. at Haswell Park, Bryan.  
Saturday, June 23: Advanced swimming instruction, 11:00 a.m. at Downs Natatorium.  
Monday, June 25: Beginners' swimming instruction, 1:45 p.m. at Downs Natatorium.  
Softball, A. & M. Methodists vs. Conoco, 8:00 p.m.; A. & M. Military Staff vs. Hearne, 9:30 p.m. at Haswell Park, Bryan.  
Tuesday, June 26: Opening of 20th Annual Conference of County Superintendents and Supervisors.  
Freshman orientation, 11:00 a.m.  
Advanced swimming instruction, 11:00 a.m. at Downs Natatorium.  
Kiwanis Club luncheon, 12:00 noon at Duncan Hall.  
Wednesday, June 27: Beginners' swimming instruction, 1:45 p.m. at Downs Natatorium.  
Aggieland Orchestra and Singing Cadets in War Bond Jamboree, 7:15 p.m. at Guion Hall.  
Lecture on German horror camps by M. T. Walter, managing editor Houston Chronicle, 8:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

### Gilchrist Testifies Before Legislative Committee on Military Training Policy

President Gibb Gilchrist of Texas A. & M. College returned yesterday from Washington, where he testified before the House of Representatives Select Committee on Military Policy on June 14, 1945. President Gilchrist presented to the committee a statement on a policy of universal military training on behalf of the Board of Directors, the Association of Former Students of A. & M. College, and the administrative staff of the college.

Excerpts from the statement follow: "A system of universal military training has been in effect on the campus of A. & M. College since its creation . . . It has been found that military training at A. & M. has been beneficial to graduates and former students. By this training they have been improved in mind and in body and by the very method of housing and living they have found it necessary and desirable to get along with their fellows . . . Qualities of self-confidence and leadership have been the reward."

"Early in 1944 the question of universal military training was considered by the Board of Directors and a committee was appointed to study the question. . . . The policy in four sections which follows was adopted by the Board

### W. C. "Bill" Harper Elected President Of Singing Cadets

William C. "Bill" Harper, pre-law student from Levelland, Texas, was elected president of the Singing Cadets by a unanimous vote last week. Other officers elected were Fount Ray, vice president, and Charles Thoma, secretary and business manager.

Harper, who is commander of Company A and president of the South Plains A. & M. Club, entered Texas A. & M. College in June 1943 and is classified as a Senior. He plans to study law at Columbia University in New York after graduating here. He has been a member of the Singing Cadets for the past four semesters.  
"It is with a great deal of pride that I am accepting the presidency of the Singing Cadets," stated Harper yesterday, "and it is my main desire and aim to see the Singing Cadets continue as the finest all-male choir of the South. The Singing Cadets will grow only with the cooperation, help, and pride of the rest of the corps; and we want to urge all boys, whether experienced or not, to come over and get acquainted with the gang."

of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas on October 14, 1944.

I  
"We believe in a sound program of national defense, adequately financed and maintained.

II  
"We believe that the time has come when the national welfare and the future peace and prosperity of the Nation can only be assured by a system of universal military training of our able-bodied male citizens in their early manhood.

III  
"We believe that a universal military training act should be passed which will afford the minimum possible disruption of normal educational processes, and which should include provision for due allowance and credit for military training in the R. O. T. C.

IV  
"We believe in the preservation of balance and integrity between the regular army and its civilian components."

The statement of policy emphasizes the importance of avoiding the undue retarding of youth in entering either schools or gainful employment, the handicapping of production industries by "eliminating a pool of needed labor or scientific men in certain age brackets" or the production of "a military cast not responsive to the will of the people, for civil authority must always be paramount."  
". . . The real national defense value of any system of Universal Military Training will be destroyed if the period of training is too long, or if it interferes unnecessarily with the educational development of young men. . . . There seems to be no reason why training of  
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### Summer Cotton School Goes Into Third Week With 27 Registrants

The 36th session of the Summer Cotton School has been under way two weeks with 27 registrants, including eleven from Mexico, one each from Missouri and California, two from Louisiana and twelve from Texas. Most of the registrants this year are gin operators who are interested in the effect of grade and staple on the gin sample. Two registrants are ladies.

The summer cotton school is conducted by the Department of Agronomy of Texas A. & M. College under the supervision of Dr. L. G. Jones, acting director. Conductor of the course is Harold G. Connolly, who has had wide experience in the cotton business.

One of the out-of-state visitors expressed surprise that the quality of cotton grown in Texas is so fine, and he predicts a good future for the industry in the central part of the State, Dr. Jones said.

Lectures on special phases of cotton production, spinning and marketing to date have been given by Dr. Ide P. Trotter, director of Extension; Chas. N. Shephardson, A. & M. dean of Agriculture; R. L. Lee, Washington fiber laboratories; J. M. Ward, Extension Service; Miss Mary Anna Grimes of the A. & M. cotton laboratory; Conductor Connolly; J. S. Mogford, professor of Agronomy; J. L. McCollum, chief, USDA cotton and fiber division, Dallas, and Dr. R. L. Hunt, Department of Agricultural Economics.

Lectures scheduled for the remaining four weeks of the school, Dr. Jones said, include Dr. E. P. Humbert, Department of Genetics; John Leahy, Cotton Research Committee of Texas; H. P. Smith, Division of Agricultural Engineering; Dr. F. L. Thomas, Division of Entomology; S. E. Lichte, Extension Service, and others.

### Sophomores Elect Cecil President For Summer Term

At the first meeting of the semester of the Sophomore Class on Tuesday evening, June 19, Clyde Cecil of Houston was elected President of the Class. Norton Higgins of Galveston was elected Vice President, and E. R. Daniels of Corsicana was elected Secretary-Treasurer, to assist Cecil.

No other business was considered at the meeting, but plans were made to hold another meeting in the near future for the purpose of arranging some sort of entertainment for the class.

### Seniors Plan to Elect Yell Leaders

The Senior Class has announced that plans are under way to hold an election of yell leaders. Arrangements are being made to secure approval by college officials of an all-college election of one junior and one senior yell leader to lead the corps in yell practices for the present semester. The plan of the Seniors is to elect one yell leader from the junior class and one from the senior class to serve for the current semester, and then hold another election this coming fall for the purpose of choosing two more yell leaders, one from each of the two classes. That means that for the present semester, there will be only two yell leaders, but this fall, they will be joined by two more to make a total of four yell leaders—two juniors, and two seniors.

Announcements of the election are expected within the next week pending the approval of the nominees by college officials, and as in the past the election will be handled through the Battalion.

### Houston Layman Will Preach at Church of Christ Here Sunday

Dr. C. R. Hocott, of Houston, will preach two layman's sermons at the morning and evening worship services of the Church of Christ on Sunday, June 24. Dr. Hocott is filling the pulpit for Rev. R. B. Sweet, minister of the church, who is working during the month of June at the Church of Christ in Cleburne, Texas.

Dr. Hocott, a chemical engineer, is head of the Research and Exploration Department of the Humble Oil and Refining Company at Houston. His appearance Sunday is in response to a number of requests resulting from a previous appearance here on June 10, said Sweet.

Last Sunday's services at the Church of Christ were conducted by C. R. Allen at the morning worship and by W. E. Street at the evening period.

### Aggie of the Week . . .

## J. B. Kearby, Senior Class President

By J. F. Spragins

To commence the first "Aggie of the Week" column of the new semester, no one could be chosen more appropriately than J. B. Kearby. His honors on this campus are numerous enough that he deserves the honor of being the first Aggie to be featured, since he is able to boast being the president of the Senior Class and a nominee for Who's Who.

The tall brown-haired and brown-eyed Senior was born in Waxahatchie on August 11, 1926, but since that time, he has moved nearly every time the rent has come due. He claims Ft. Worth as home since he attended high school there, but his current home is at Coronado, California. While living in Ft. Worth, he attended Arlington Heights High School

### Reveille Book Will Be Released Friday; Company Commanders To Handle Sales



Reproduced above is one of the many pictures of Reville, beloved mascot of the Aggie Corps, which appears in the Reveille book being released Friday under the sponsorship of the First Class of 1947.

Cadet Colonel Verne Scott announced earlier this week that the new Reveille booklet is to be made available for sale on Friday, June 22. After many weeks of anxious waiting, the corps will at last be privileged to purchase this booklet.

Dwight McAnally, Senior from Dallas, spent many months compiling and editing the booklet, and the results of his hard labors have proved most gratifying. Scott asserted that he felt certain the booklet will be well received by everyone, and he urges everyone on the campus to purchase the booklet and help back the Reveille Memorial Fund.

The distribution of the booklet is being made through the company commanders, and anyone desiring to purchase a copy can obtain one from his organization commander. The price is twenty-five cents per copy, and all money derived from its sale will go into the Reveille fund to construct a memorial on her grave.

### Full House Sees Turner's 2nd "Summer Jamboree"

By Junior Canis  
Another capacity crowd filled Guion Hall last night to witness the second of Bill Turner's "Summer Jamborees", with music by the Aggieland Orchestra and the Singing Cadets.

A new addition to the program was the "Rhythmettes", a quartet consisting of Marian Holick and Katherine Mathes of Bryan and Frog Thomas and Frog Holcomb. The "Rhythmettes" received a grand ovation from the audience for their arrangement of "I Dream of You". More wolf calls and whistles greeted the appearance of lovely Sybil Bannister, who sang "Bell Bottomed Trousers" accompanied by the orchestra. She also sang "Meet Me in St. Louis" which brought a rafter-shaking applause.

The ever popular Singing Cadets sang "Let My People Go" and "The Surry With the Fringe on Top", the latter from the Broad-

way musical "Oklahoma". The program closed with the singing of "The Spirit of Aggie Land" and "The Aggie War Hymn" by the Singing Cadets and the audience.

Turner announced that plans are developed for a super-duper War Bond Show at Guion Hall to be held on Wednesday, June 27 with the curtain rising promptly at 7:15 p.m. Using the talents of the Aggieland Orchestra and the Singing Cadets, Turner plans to combine this with a sparkling array of visiting talent for this particular show. Admittance will be by the purchase of war bonds or stamps of any denomination. In next week's show the Singing Cadets will be heard in the popular Fred Waring arrangement of "This Is My Country"; this stirring choral arrangement has been given orchestral accompaniment by Turner and promises to be the highlight of the evening.

### Jones, Donahue Speak At S. U. Conference

Drs. L. G. Jones and R. L. Donahue are giving lectures this week at Southwestern University in Georgetown before the annual Town and Country Conference.

Subjects assigned Dr. Donahue by Dr. J. N. R. Score, president of Southwestern, were "Introduction to Soil and Plant World" for Tuesday, and "Soil Fertility and Human Welfare" for Wednesday.

Dr. Jones talked on "Humus and Soil Improvement" today, and will discuss "Building the Soil" Friday, and "The TVA as a Working Basis of Improving Human and Land Welfare" Saturday.

### Mrs. Nat Edmondson Gives Her Collection Of Novels to Library

Eighty-nine fiction books were added to the Library's collection this week through a gift from Mrs. Nat Edmondson. The Browning Room collection, particularly, has been enriched by this gift of books, which includes best sellers and recent novels of the type often in demand but not always supplied because the Library is not always able to buy them.

The books which Mrs. Edmondson gave to the Library were the nucleus of the Brown Cottage Library.  
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### Kiwanis Sponsored Civic League Holds 2nd Meeting at Y

The second meeting of the newly organized business men's civic league, sponsored by the College Station Kiwanis Club, was held Thursday, June 14, at the Y.M.C.A.  
Ray Oden, co-chairman of the committee, presided at the meeting and appointed several subcommittees to obtain factual information with regard to the various projects which were discussed.

The league functions as a committee of the College Station Kiwanis Club, but includes both Kiwanians and non-Kiwanians in its membership. No dues are assessed, and the organization has as its purpose the initiation and execution of projects beneficial to the community as a whole.

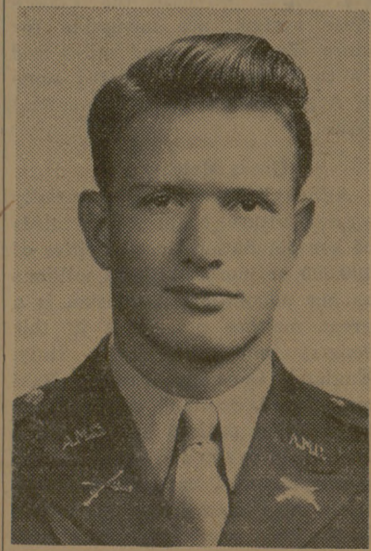
Arrangements are under way at the present time to obtain a speaker who is qualified to discuss probable post-war economic developments for a special meeting of the Kiwanis Club, at which business men who are not members of the club will be special guests.

### Houston Newsmen Will Tell Eyewitness Story of Horror Camps

M. E. Walter, managing editor of the Houston Chronicle, will deliver a public lecture on the things he saw in German horror camps during a recent trip over the area with a party of leading newspapermen of the country.

The lecture will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 27th in the College Station Baptist church, and will be open to the public under auspices of the College Station Kiwanis Club. Ernest Langford is general chairman, and has issued a cordial invitation to all Brazos county people to hear Mr. Walter's first-hand information about the German death camps.  
Mr. Walter has been in much demand since his return from the European battlefields and concentration camps, and the Kiwanis committee was fortunate in arranging for him to stop over in College Station on the evening of June 27th to make the talk. He will talk in Dallas at noon on June 28th, and therefore will have only a few hours in this city.

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\* PAYMENT OF FEES \*  
\* Second installment of main- \*  
\* tenance fees of \$44.80, payable \*  
\* July 1 to July 6 inclusive, can \*  
\* be paid now. \*  
\* These fees include board \*  
\* \$31.00, room \$11.05, and laund- \*  
\* dry \$2.75 to August 6, 1945. \*  
\* The cashier of the Fiscal De- \*  
\* partment will accept these fees \*  
\* from 8:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. \*  
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J. B. Kearby

where he lettered in football and in track.

Jerome Blount, his real name, is commander of Company "L", after serving as commander of "E" Company the past semester. At the present time, his greatest interest lies in Dallas in the form of a ravishing platinum blonde, and what a shape. J. B.'s favorite song is "There, I've Said It Again" and quite often one can hear him humming it and see him day dream of Dallas and that blonde. When asked what his greatest dislike is, he promptly replied, "The Mess hall food!"

J. B. is a Veterinary Medicine student, and has been able to maintain a "B" average in his course of study. Upon graduation he plans to enter practice somewhere in Texas.