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Student Activities Committee Meets, Lets Contracts for New Longhorn

Social Calendar Set For Fall and Spring

The Student Activities Committee under the chairmanship of Dean of Men J. W. Rollins, met Tuesday afternoon to decide policies for this semester. Present were Dean Rollins, W. L. Penberthy, head of the Physical Education department, Ernest Langford, mayor of College Station, Joe Skiles, Student Activities manager, Bob King, president of the Senior class, L. E. Wardlaw, social secretary of the Senior class, Sam Nixon, editor of the Battalion, and Driscoll Henkhaus, Senior representative to the Committee.

The Committee authorized the manager to renew printing and engraving contracts for the new Longhorn, and to contract the Aggield Studio as the official photographer for the yearbook. This school year's social calendar was set to include three dances this fall, one after each of the home games; and the four class and two regimental balls will come next spring. The Committee also rejected a request presented by certain members of the class of '46 for a Ring Dance this semester. A three-man committee was appointed to check the need and possibilities of installing Coca-Cola machines in the dormitories.

Other business attended to was the rejection of the following requests for concessions: to sell advertising on book covers, to sell cigars and cigarettes in the dorms, to solicit cleaning and pressing, and to sell "Application for Date with Aggie" forms. Approved was the sale of stationery carrying cartoons depicting Aggie life. The rule that unless the concession contributed some real service to the Corps, it would not be permitted was adopted as a general policy on acting on all requests for concessions. The Committee also prohibited soliciting in the dorms after C. O., with the penalty being the cancelling of the offending concessionaires card.

Shell Pipe Line Co. Holds Short Course

A short course on "Practices in Supervision" is being conducted by Texas A & M College for division superintendents of the Shell Pipe Line Corporation, October 10, 11, and 12 at the company's Houston offices by E. L. Williams, head of the department of Industrial Extension. The Company has called in its division superintendents from Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, New Mexico, Colorado, and Texas to attend the sessions.

This course is the beginning of a company-wide training program. The week of September 3, James R. D. Eddy of the University of Texas, and E. L. Williams conducted a five-day training course in Austin for twelve men of the Safety and Training Department of the Shell Pipe Line Corporation. The Houston course will be followed by conferences held in all districts in which the company operates for all district and department supervisors. These conferences are to be conducted by the men who attended the Austin class.

What's Cooking

Friday, Oct. 12
7:15 p.m.: Hillel Club religious services at YMCA Chapel.
Saturday, Oct. 13
8:00 p.m.: Football, Texas A. & M. vs. L. S. U. at Baton Rouge.
Sunday, Oct. 14
Church services at the church of your choice.
7:00 p.m.: Hillel Club social at Sbis Hall lounge room.
Tuesday, Oct. 15
11:00 a.m.: Freshman orientation: Arts and Sciences at YMCA Chapel; Agriculture at Chemistry Lecture Room; Engineering at Assembly Hall; Veterinary at Room 203, Amphitheatre. Mark Francis Hall.
6:45 p.m.: A. & M. Flying Club at YMCA.
Wednesday, Oct. 16
2:30 p.m.: Newcomers Club at home of Mrs. Joe L. Matthews.

Seniors Meet, Elect Prensal, Henkhaus

A brief business meeting was held by the Senior class Tuesday night immediately after the gathering of all the upper classmen in the Assembly Hall, which had been called by Dean Rollins for the purpose of explaining the Board of Directors' newly framed Basic Policy. The purpose of the meeting was to elect a Town Hall Manager and also to elect a Senior Student Activities Representative to fill the vacancy left by Richard M. Botard when he recently left for the armed services. Al Prensal was elected to the office of Town Hall Manager, and Driscoll Henkhaus was elected by acclamation to serve as the Senior Student Activities Representative. The meeting was rather short, lasting only twenty minutes.

Chemical Society Meets Friday Eve

The forty-second meeting of the Texas A. & M. Section of the American Chemical Society will be held in the Lecture Room of the Chemistry Building Friday evening, October 19th, at 8 p.m.

Dr. H. H. Willard of the Department of Chemistry of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan will address the Section on the topic, "Improvements in Separations by Precipitations". Visitors are welcome to hear this talk.

The usual dinner for Section members in honor of the speaker will be at the Aggield Inn at 6:30 p.m. The ladies are invited. Members who are planning to attend the dinner are requested to inform the program committee.

A & M Flying Club Plans Meeting

Flight training is available to all Texas A. & M. students at reduced rates on a Club basis, and all students interested in participating are invited to attend a meeting to be held at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:45 on Tuesday, October 16, according to an announcement by H. W. Barlow, dean of engineering. Complete information on the program will be available at the Tuesday meeting.

For more than a year A. & M. students have taken advantage of the opportunity to fly from the excellent College airport under carefully supervised conditions. Flight schedules are arranged so as not to conflict with other activities and transportation is furnished to and from the campus. All flight instruction is under approved, licensed instructors in Inter-state airplanes.

It is possible for those who already have some flying time to continue on and receive advanced instruction and those students who have had no previous flying time to start a regular scheduled program of instruction designed to teach them the maximum amount in a minimum of time, according to Barlow.

College Nurse Dies

Coming as a severe blow to her many friends in the A. & M. student body and faculty was the death at 4:00 a.m. Monday, October 8, of Mrs. Alice Shannon, who has served as floor nurse at the College Hospital for a total of approximately 25 years. Mrs. Shannon suffered a heart attack while on duty at 2:00 Monday morning, and passed away two hours later.

Mrs. Shannon's remains will lie at the First Baptist Church from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in order that her many friends may pay their last tribute. Funeral services will be conducted at the Church at 3:00 by Rev. R. L. Brown, and a burial service will be held at the Bryan City Cemetery. Texas A. & M. students will act as pallbearers. Mrs. Shannon is survived by a brother, Grover Phelps, of Bryan, and two sons, one of whom is located in Colorado and the other in New Mexico.

Dairymen Meet Here



Pictured above is a section of the Dairy Short Course as they appeared in the last meeting of the day on last Wednesday.

Guion Hall Movies Will Be Resumed Saturday With First - Run Features

Guion Hall theater, operated by Student Activities for the entertainment of Texas Aggies and the college community, will re-open on a regular schedule this week end, it was announced today by the management. "Music for Millions," an outstanding musical featuring the stars of Hollywood, will be the opening feature scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, October 13-14.

"Major repairs are practically complete now and can be continued without disturbance to the theater patrons. We have many outstanding films that have accumulated to our credit and we are anxious to resume playing so that the local theater fans may have a variety of shows to select from," the manager of Guion Hall stated.

Schedule for the present will include shows on Tuesday and Wednesday at 1:00 and 7:00, permit-

ting one full program in the afternoon and one immediately after show. On Saturday and Sunday the theater will show continuously from 1:00 in the afternoon until 9:00. Jamboree shows on Saturday evenings will be arranged whenever possible and no extra charge will be made for the stage show feature.

Guion Hall theater is the Aggies' own movie-house. Started many years ago by the YMCA, the policy of the show has always been to provide the best possible pictures at reasonable prices. Any profits are returned to the Corps in the form of welfare and entertainment programs.

"We will have a complete program—feature, shorts and news," the management stated.

Senior Vets Are Barbecue Hosts

As its first meeting of the semester, the Junior A.V.M.A. chapter had a barbecue with all the accessories Wednesday afternoon at the Veterinary Hospital. It was well attended by the faculty, veterinary students, and pre-veterinary students. The barbecue was prepared by men from the graduating Senior class, J. C. Kelly being chief of operations and cooking.

After the meal a short meeting was held in which plans for this semester were discussed and it was announced that Dr. Williams, a large animal practitioner from West Texas, will be the principal speaker at the meeting next Wednesday night. Also, faculty members and officers of the club were presented to the new members. The program for this term lists many interesting speakers, and a most profitable year is predicted.

A. & M. Almost Had Confederate Leader As First President, Letters Reveal

If its first choice had accepted the position, Texas A. & M. might have had as its first president Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederacy, according to an exchange of letters which found its way into the hands of Gibb Gilchrist during the past summer.

Members of the Board who were present at that historical first meeting held on June 1, 1875 were Richard Coke, governor of the State of Texas; R. B. Hubbard, state lieutenant-governor; Guy M. Bryan, speaker of the House; B. H. Davis, and C. S. West. Excerpts from the minutes of the initial session note that "The Board at this meeting further authorized the President (Coke) to correspond with Ex-President Jefferson Davis, and to tender him the presidency of the College." The Governor accordingly wrote the following letter, which was reprinted in the DALLAS DAILY HERALD of Wednesday, July 21, 1875:

Executive Office,
State of Texas
Austin, June 14, 1875

Hon. Jefferson Davis
Memphis, Tennessee

My Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, held June 1st, at Bryan, in Brazos County, near which the college is located, it was unanimously resolved, that the Presidency of the College be tendered to yourself, with a salary of four thousand dollars per annum, with residence properly furnished, and as much land attached as might be desired for yards, gardens, etc. As President of the Board, I was instructed to communicate immediately with you, present the offer, and urge its acceptance. I now perform that most pleasing duty, as the representative, not only of the Board of Directors of the Agricultural

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Aggies and Tessies to Have Corps Trips To Fort Worth; First Since '41 Season

Saturday Will Be Official Holiday, Rollins Arranging for Special Train

For the first time since 1941, the A & M cadets will have their first official Corps trip. The highly anticipated event will be held at Fort Worth for the A & M-TCU football game, October 20.

As of days of old, the Corps will turn all out for the trip, the main attraction of which will be the some 1000 T.S.C.W. students who will be in Fort Worth for the game, on a Corps Trip of their own, which they will hold in agreement with that of the Aggies.

Texas Dairies Make Reconversion Plans

Reconversion plans within the Texas dairy industry which highlighted quality and efficiency of production and laid less emphasis on volume of milk produced, received a thorough going over during the third dairy fieldmen's short course held Oct. 8 and 9 at Texas A & M College.

Twenty specialists, representing all agricultural divisions of the Texas A & M College, were assisted by ten selected authorities from the commercial field in staging the two-day business program.

Speakers were selected for their particular knowledge of phases of the eight-point program adopted by state and federal dairymen leaders, and which is being put into operation all over the country through agricultural education institutions similar to the Texas A & M College.

This program includes: Feed every cow for economical production; save milk dollars by improving grasslands; retain feeding values by improved hay making and silos; keep production records for better herd management; breed for improved herd replacements; protect quality of milk and cream by cleanliness and cooling; reduce labor costs by improved layouts, equipment and methods; and maintain herd health for quality and efficiency.

Boy Scouts Hold Waste Paper Drive

The Boy Scouts troops of the community, 411 and 102, directed by Mr. Luther Jones, made their October 6, scrap drive a successful one by collecting 6,000 pounds of waste paper. However, the total collected was considerably less than expected. The last drive had netted almost 13,000 pounds. Mr. Howard Anderson, Sergeant Virgil Miller, and Mr. S. Cherry drove the trucks used in the pickup. Mr. Jones expressed the opinion that at the present time another seems unlikely, but would be held if necessary.

The paper collected in the drive was shipped to Dallas, where it will be processed and placed in readiness for national usage.

Recreation Hall Has Formal Opening Mon.

Monday night marked the formal opening of the A. & M. Extension Men's Recreation Hall.

Mrs. J. T. L. McNew, Vanita Ward, Jerry Thompson and Gloria Reese stood in the reception line and pinned on name plates.

Mrs. Billie Blair and Estelle Redd presided at the punch bowl and punch and cookies were served to about two hundred persons.

There will be a called meeting this month, the date to be announced later, and every veteran and his wife are urged to attend as this meeting will be to elect officers for this semester.

CONCESSIONS

Soliciting in the dormitories is restricted to authorized student concession holders. No soliciting is authorized AFTER call to quarters, and concessionaires violating this requirement will forfeit their privilege card.

Ever since 1938, when the tradition was first started, the Aggies and Tessies have congregated at the TCU tilt, to make a gay holiday, in which the Aggies pick a sweetheart for the game from a group of beauties nominated by the sophomores, juniors, and seniors at TSCW. The sweetheart will be officially announced by the Battalion.

Saturday has been declared a holiday, and all classes will be canceled, so that the corps will have sufficient time to get to the game. Arrangements for a special train are trying to be made by Dough Rollins, and if proved successful, will be announced around the first of next week.

Following the game, an informal corps dance will be held at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth.

1250 special tickets have been placed on sale at TSCW, which are good for the end zone bleachers or the Aggie section for Tessie students.

The corps will not have to be back till Sunday night at 8:30.

Rubinoff to Give Children's Matinee

A special matinee for school children will be one of the features of the appearance here of the outstanding entertainment star, David Rubinoff, who will be in College Station on October 26th for a Town Hall performance. The matinee will be held in the S. F. Austin High School auditorium and College Station children will be transported via school bus for the performance.

The special matinee is for the benefit of musical organizations in College Station and Bryan schools and ticket sales are being handled by PTA groups from each school.

The regular Town Hall performance for the popular star of stage, screen and radio will begin at 8:00 in Guion Hall.

Little Change In Singers, Orchestra

Saturday, October 6, Bill Turner's famed Aggield Orchestra and Singing Cadets appeared for the first time this semester at Guion Hall in a jamboree presented to the student body.

The Aggield Orchestra has come back from last semester with one replacement. Fish Salden has taken Clyde Bone's place as third trombone. Also an old member from two semesters back has returned to the organization. He is Fred Forste, who plays the guitar.

The Orchestra has a full schedule this semester, with two dances scheduled after football games. They will play at the Texas Hotel at Fort Worth after the TCU game, and at the Rice Hotel in Houston after the Rice game.

The members of the Aggield Orchestra are Pete Mayes, Don Simpson, F. D. Prater, trumpets; Pete Stanley, Gilbert McKenzie, John Golden, trombones; Joe Dolan, Jim Wheeler, Jess Herrera, Paul Wells, F. J. Montemayor, saxophones; Dahry Mishel, piano; Fred Forste, guitar; Joe Pike, drums; and Richard Parker, bass. The vocalist is Boyd Rogers.

The Singing Cadets have started out strong this semester with 30 old members and 28 new enrollees.

The Cadets have appeared in two performances already and are scheduled for another soon. Besides (See AGGIELAND, Page 6)