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McNew Gives Plans For M'Gregor Tract

Speaking to Waco Kiwanians Tuesday, J. T. L. McNew, vice-president for engineering, made public some of the plans A. & M. has for the former Bluebonnet Ordnance plant.

These plans will make the 18,500 acres at M'Gregor the largest research center for agriculture and livestock in the Southwest. Application for the property has been filed with the Surplus Property Administration at Washington.

McNew said that the big tract will be divided into six areas. Two thousand acres will be used for barns, laboratories, large scale feeding operations, and a model dairy. Six thousand acres of non-agricultural land will be utilized for livestock range and range management. Four blocks of 500 acres each will be used for model farms.

Pure strain seed will be experimented upon on 4,500 acres, and the production of hybrid corn alone will more than pay the cost of the property, McNew declared. Sheep and goats will have the use of 2,000 acres, and 2,000 more will be used for school farm use and horticultural research.

Dormitories on the Bluebonnet site will accommodate 460 students, and residence units are there for instructor personnel. Students will operate the small farms, getting both the theory and the practical side of farming.

Single Vets May Eat in Duncan Hall At Corps Prices

Single veterans dissatisfied with the Sbisca Cafeteria will be able to eat at Duncan Mess Hall beginning March 7th at regular Corps prices. However the committee appointed to arbitrate food prices in the cafeteria were able to report no other definite information.

Mr. Peniston says that the cafeteria has to pay ceiling prices for all food commodities and food prices can be cut only when market prices drop.

A prevalent misconception is that profit is a big concern of the cafeteria management. Mr. Peniston assured the committee that this is untrue as the cafeteria policy is a non-profit one, with labor, upkeep, repairs, and supply cost the only considerations.

According to Mr. Peniston complaints on food prices are due to the contrasts between foods served in the Sbisca Mess Hall and the Duncan Mess Hall. Contrary to prevailing opinions, maintaining a selection and superior quality of food renders the cafeteria more susceptible to loss than the Duncan Mess Hall.

Veterans wishing to eat in Duncan Mess Hall are reminded that meal hours are breakfast 7:00 to 7:30; dinner 12:15 to 12:45; supper 6:30 to 7:00.

ATTENTION ALL VETERANS

All Veterans enrolled at A. & M. College prior to February 4, 1946, and who have not received pension and/or subsistence checks,

All Veterans now enrolled in A. & M. College and who have not received letters of authorization to enroll,

All Veterans now enrolled in A. & M. College, who have any form of complaint to make regarding their institutional training, will please report this fact to the Veterans Administration office, Ramp B, Hart Hall.

All complaints must be in the V. A. Office by not later than March 4, 1946.

We, the members of the College Station Kiwanis Club, approving unanimously Ford Munnerlyn's motion of February 5, 1946, in response to L. D. Smith's report on Facts about the Government of College Station, herein offer these resolutions of approval and appreciation of our city government:

1. We commend our Mayor Langford and his fellow councilmen, together with our city secretary—Councilman G. B. Wilcox, J. A. Orr, M. T. Harrington, C. W. Crawford, R. L. Brown, E. E. Brown, and City Secretary S. A. Lipscomb—for their untiring endeavors to give the city of College Station a good, judicious, and economical administration of city laws and ordinances.

2. We congratulate this same mayor and his seven associates for their success in organizing the city government, in improving the streets, in securing fire protection, and in conducting with efficiency and economy our municipal affairs.

3. We commend highly our City Manager L. D. Smith, together with his associates—Mrs. R. G. Neeley, O. L. Foster, and Lee Norwood—for their industry and efficiency in handling city records, finances, receipts, purchases, and disbursements.

4. We wish to make these commendatory statements of appreciation and approval of our city administration a part of our Club minutes, to have a copy typed and handed those whom we desire to commend, and to furnish the press with a copy for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee:
D. B. COFER
DAN R. DAVIS
JOE HORNAK
CHARLES LAMOTTE
D. A. ANDERSON

The above resolutions, commending the administration of the City of College Station were adopted yesterday at a regular luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis Club. Motion authorizing the resolutions was made by W. F. Munnerlyn at a meeting on February 5.

Aggie Ex-Servicemen List Needs of Organization at Kiwanis Club Meeting

Officers of the Ex-Servicemen's Club on the Texas A. & M. Campus told the College Station Kiwanis Club yesterday that they had been made to feel "completely at home", and asked for cooperation in furnishing the Ex-Servicemen's Lounge.

John Rougenac, treasurer of the organization, sketched a brief history of the club's formation and outlined its purposes: to form a liaison between veteran students and the college administration, and to provide an outlet for social activities. Explaining the mechanical operation of the club, he stated that it is operated on a committee system, with the three officers serving as the principal executive committee.

Ned Broun, secretary of the Ex-Servicemen's Club, also expressed the appreciation of the veterans for the help rendered by the Kiwanis Club through its Veterans' Committee, and stated the most pressing needs of the veteran students at the present time as the need for an insurance expert to act as an advisor on national service insurance, the need for furniture to be used in the Veterans' Lounge, the need for civilian

clothes, and the need for entertainment of all kinds.

Resolutions authorized by a vote of the club commending the city government of College Station were read by D. B. Cofer and adopted without objection.

Three new members of the Kiwanis Club were introduced: T. C. Hinman, J. D. Faulk, and Joe R. Motheral. Guests at the luncheon meeting included Guy Corley, Paul E. McDaniel, Allen R. Bennett, John Egan, F. A. Vaughn, Sammy Langford, Tyrus Timm, and Kiwanians Eugene Lambert of Fayetteville, Arkansas and John Davis of Lake City, Florida.

Progress On Annual Held Up by Pics

Progress on the Longhorn is being held up due to the fact that the pictures for the Senior Favorites and Vanity Fair have not been turned in. Pictures on the minor sports are delaying it also.

Three-fourths of the pages have been submitted to the engraver, but the annual can not be completed until the Corps does its part and gets the rest in.

Lucrecia Sarria, Latin Soprano, Will Sing at Guion Hall Thursday

Lucrecia Sarria, one of the most celebrated and highly acclaimed of the contemporary Latin American coloraturas, is scheduled to appear in Guion Hall on Thursday evening, February 28, at 8 o'clock.

Town Hall season ticket holders are reminded that this is an independent presentation, sponsored by the Singing Cadets, and regular admission prices of 55¢ for students and their wives, 65¢ general admission, and \$1.00 for reserved seats will prevail.

Miss Sarria has won international fame after having sung in Europe and North and South America. She has had particular success in the United States, Italy, Mexico, and Peru.

A critic in the Detroit "Albany" wrote:

"The distinguished artist in her debut to the audiences of Albany made an overwhelming success. Lucrecia Sarria possesses the true Latin temperament, besides a voice of exquisite quality. A coloratura soprano voice with all the freshness of youth. She has a decided musical personality; she has a brilliant future on the concert stage and possesses a beauty that will do justice to the musical films of Hollywood."

For her superb rendition of Lucia, the Mexico City "Excelsior" exclaimed:

"She astounded audiences with her musical diction, intonation, the

Composite Regimental Formal, Corps Ball Top Social Calendar for Weekend

McLarty Decision Is Still Pending

In a hearing conducted in Austin by District Judge Charles O. Betts, Dean Bolton made clear some of the rules governing the transfer of students to A. & M. from other institutions. The hearing concerned the admittance of Edwin McLarty, Jr., who wants to transfer from Texas U.

McLarty attended T. u. five semesters, but obligingly states that he is willing to have his scholastic record disregarded. Dean Bolton testified that all prior scholastic records of an applicant must be considered, and that none of McLarty's five semesters had grades high enough for acceptance to A. & M.

McLarty admitted his grades have been poor, although good enough to keep him in Texas university. But he told the court he has settled down, is married, and he sincerely wants to study veterinary medicine. Dean Bolton suggested McLarty return to the university and improve his grades if he wants to study vet medicine at A. & M.

Representing A. & M. in the hearing were Atty. Gen. Gay, Navy veteran, and Asst. Atty. Gen. Barcus. Judge Betts himself is an ex-sergeant. McLarty had four lawyers.

Judge Betts withheld a decision upon a state plea in abatement until after evidence is presented. Atty. Gen. Gay contends that McLarty did not exhaust all other remedies before asking the court for mandamus to compel the A. & M. directors to admit him, and that a suit against the college officials is a suit against the state. Such a suit can only be brought with specific permission from the state legislature.

A. & M. Vets Get Guidance Center

A. & M. College and Texas university have been given contracts as veterans guidance centers by the vocational rehabilitation and education division of the Veterans Administration, it was announced in Washington Friday.

Qualified educational authorities will be on hand to give free advice to veterans in regard to schooling or on-the-job training under the servicemen's adjustment act.

More beautiful women, more long cars, more sweet-smelling scents, and more long, low whistles are in order for this week-end as men of the Composite Regiment continue to receive "Yes" answers to invitations to their Annual Formal Ball slated for Friday night. A. & M.'s own popular dance band, the Aggeland Orchestra, led by Bill Turner, will provide the slow, dreamy melodies and the hot jump tunes Friday night and is due for a repeat performance at the Corps Ball Saturday night.

Martin Vick, Cadet Lt. Col. and commander of the Composite Regiment of four units each of Field Artillery and Cavalry, reports that decoration plans are formed, and Sbisca Hall should resemble a small edition of the Mardi Gras to home-sick Cajuns.

Printed invitations, designed to entice the little lady from that far-away city, have been distributed free of charge to all members of the regiment. This post-war innovation is welcomed and serves to create just a little more formality to the occasion.

Corsages of gardenias, carnations, or orchids are on sale by the Student Flower Committee at low cost.

Cars will be allowed to park as near Sbisca Hall as possible, and will not be restricted from travel on the campus after 5:00 p. m. Students are requested to refrain from reckless or speedy driving in order to avoid traffic difficulties on the crowded streets.

All class buildings on the campus will be open to inspection by visitors and dates, and students are encouraged to show off their school system before the dance or during the day hours of the week-end.

DeHaas, Smith Win Architecture Prizes

By James A. Davis

Talented architecture students have had the opportunity lately to pocket real money in a pair of contests in designing the buildings for the College Station bank and for three county doctors.

First prize and \$15 for the best design for the new College Station bank went to W. A. Enochs. Ten dollar second prize money went to J. D. Herrington, while Walter Norris received \$5 for his third place effort. The prize money was put up by the bank.

Junior design students were given a problem to design "a doctor's building, to include two general practitioners and one eye, ear, nose and throat specialist."

In this contest, John DeHaas won the first prize of \$25, Harry Smith won second prize of \$15, and three third place prizes of \$10 each went to Louis Gohmert, Jimmy Demopolos, and Albert Hudeck.

The finished plans of the project included all departments desirable in the routine work of a doctor's practice. It was first planned to use the designs only as a basis for a clinic to be erected by local doctors. However, the results were of special merit, it was said, and the rewards were for acknowledgment of this fact. The doctors, who wish to remain anonymous, gave the desired functions of the building and repaid the efforts of the students.

MAINTENANCE FEES DUE

Second installment of fees are due by March 6.

Military—Room, board, and laundry, \$37.15.

Non - Military — Room and laundry, \$10.15.