

# "Meller Drammer" To Be Feature Of Band Concert

### Nell the Farmers Daughter And Gremlin Ball Will Be Played Tuesday

"Nell the Farmers Daughter, or Jack Dalton Rides Again", a "Musical Meller Drammer" with John Stiles as narrator, will be an unusual feature of the A. & M. Band concert next Tuesday. In this number the band furnishes both desired and undesired sound effects as well as symphonic musical interludes to help the narrator. Nell, the farmer's daughter is the lass in need. Jack Dalton, our hero, comes to the aid of Nell to the dismay of the Villain. The Hero gets the applause and the Girl; the Villain gets the customary hisses and boos. Like all "Meller Drammers", everyone is happy at the end.

Another novelty number will be the "Gremlin Ball"—an usual work for the Aggie Band to present in that it is of a "Swingy" nature. This number depicts the trouble given the RAF in the early stages of the war by these mischievous trouble makers, the Gremlins.

The concert opens with a Spanish march, El Caballero, and a new march, Salute to the Chief of Staff, will also be presented. Too, there will be entertaining overtures and a Fantasia "Over There" arranged by Ferde Grofe from melodies that were popular during the First World War.

Band directors from neighboring cities have been invited and several plan to bring their bands. There is no admission charge for the concert.

# Chapter of AVC Being Formed By Local Vets

### E. V. Walton Temporary Chairman of Branch; Will Meet Wednesday

The local chapter of the American Veterans Committee will meet in the Cabinet Room, YMCA, at 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 1, E. V. Walton, temporary chairman, has announced.

Walton has invited veterans on the campus interested in the AVC, which is being organized on a national scale by veterans of World War I, to sit in on the meeting and find out what the AVC is.

The first local meeting of AVC was held April 14, on short notice, when it was learned that April 16 was the closing date for founding chapters if they were to be represented by delegates at the national convention in Des Moines, Iowa, in June. For all practical purposes, the May 1 meeting will constitute the first organizational meeting, Walton said, since the previous meeting consisted merely of signing up the 10 men required for a charter.

Fred Schmidt, of Austin, state secretary of AVC, has been extended an invitation to speak at the meeting and to explain the basis of AVC.

The American Veterans Committee is an incorporated organization of World War II veterans and was founded by five servicemen in 1943. It has received national attention of late for its stand on veterans' housing and other national issues.

# Tiger Supper-Dance Will Be Tomorrow

A community supper, for the purpose of raising funds for lighting the Consolidated school football field, will be given Saturday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the grove of trees near the school gym. Dr. R. L. Hunt is in charge of arrangements. A 75 cent charge will be made for each plate.

A dance will be held immediately after the crowning of the Sports Queen, who will be chosen by Consolidated students. Admission will be 25¢ for couples and 35¢ for stags.

# BATTALION

# Parrish, Hardesty Elected President, V-President Ex-Servicemen's Club

Raymond Parrish, a senior from Lufkin, has been elected president of the Ex-Servicemen's Club of A. & M. The club, which is the campus-wide organization of veteran students, recently chose a complete new set of officials.

Parrish, '41, is majoring in architecture and working as a student instructor. He served as a first lieutenant in the artillery.

Pete Hardesty, vice-president, is an accounting major from Tyler. Originally in the class of '44, he served in the Navy.

Bob Kachtick, secretary, is from Houston and a geophysics major.

Originally '43, he spent three years as a navigator in the Air Forces.

Claude Buntyn, treasurer, is from Temple. Originally '45, he returned to Aggieland last year after a tour of duty with the Navy.

Louis Buck, parliamentarian, served in Patton's Third Army. A veterinary medicine student from George West, he was '45.

LeRoy Hendricks, sergeant-at-arms, is an Ag. Ed. major from McKinney, formerly '44. He served in the Air Corps.

# West Pointers Will Come to A&M This June

### Fifteen Regular Officers To Take Special Training In Engineering

Six regular army officers of the Corps of Engineers already have been assigned to Texas A. & M. College for a year's specialized training in advanced engineering, starting in June, and nine more will be ordered here shortly, it has been announced by Dr. Howard W. Barlow, dean of the school of engineering.

The officers, most of them West Pointers, come to Texas A. & M. as part of the resumption of the war department's civilian school postgraduate training program for engineer officers, interrupted by national emergency in 1940. However, Dr. Barlow said, this is the first time the officer students have been sent to colleges outside the East.

The following officers, all holding the rank of lieutenant-colonel, have been assigned to Texas A. & M.: Lawrence E. Laurion, Edmund Kirby-Smith, Guy J. Goddard, Richard D. Wolfe, William A. Orr and Samuel R. Peterson.

A special curriculum in advanced civil engineering has been set up for the officers and approved by the plans and training officer Chief Engineers' Office. Courses in electrical and mechanical engineering also will be made available for specially-qualified officers in the group by the college.

# DRILLING CONFERENCE TO BE MAY 13-15

A conference on drilling fluids for representatives of the petroleum industry will be held at Texas A. & M. College May 13-15 under sponsorship of the Petroleum engineering department.

# Cowbell Summons Tea-Sippers from Austin Pasture

Texas is the scene of a strange story told in the current Readers Digest.

D. L. Halpenny of San Antonio describes how, when driving near Austin one night, he heard the urgent clang of a bell coming from a seemingly empty pasture. Soon he heard motors starting up; many headlights appeared from nowhere, and a long line of cars slid out of the pasture and headed for Austin.

Later Mr. Halpenny got the story from an Austinite: "The kids of the university had no place to park where they wouldn't be molested by police or robbers, so old Dillingham opened his pasture to them. Every night he patrols it to see that things are as they should be. "The girls have to be in at 11, so at 10:45 he rings his cowbell to let them know its time to leave."

# You'll Never Guess Where Jones Found His Missing Jeep

Jerry Jones, a veteran now enrolled in A. & M. College walked out of the Cotton Ball on April 12 to find that his jeep, which he had bought three days earlier, had been stolen.

Jerry reported this to the College Station City Marshall who in turn alerted all local police to be on the lookout for the jeep. The search was carried on all night and continued until 3:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon. About 2:30, while at work, Jones received a phone call telling him that his jeep had been located. He rushed back to the campus, contacted the police, and proceeded to the place designated by the informant.

There, as directed, Jones found his jeep—sitting in Colonel Maurice Welty's back yard. (Note: The colonel was unaware of the jeep's presence.)

# Free Cigars Are A Soft Touch At Student Affairs

Open season on free cigars was declared this week at the office of the Dean of Men.

Judy Varner, a baby girl tipping the scales at one-half ounce over eight pounds, was born at 5:30 a.m. on April 24 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan.

Both Judy and her mother, Mrs. D. B. Varner, are in tip-top condition. "Woody" is walking the clouds.

# Aggie in Tokyo Receives Medal

In a Tokyo ceremony recently, Aggie T-3 Lloyd T. Phillips received the Bronze Star from Maj. Gen. Hugh C. Casey, chief engineer for the U. S. Army Forces, Pacific.

Phillips, who comes from Clarksville, plans to return to College Station and continue his engineering studies after he is discharged. At present he is chief clerk of the technical intelligence branch of the office of the chief engineer.

# LONE STAR FLAG FLIES IN PARISIAN STREET

The Texas flag flew over the streets of Paris on San Jacinto day. Maj. Homer Fry of Dallas and five other Aggies held a muster at the Lotti Hotel, billet for officers of the American graves registration office, and from that building they hung the Lone Star banner. The flag has been carried by Maj. Fry ever since he went overseas 18 months ago.

# Old Army, Move Over; The Navy Wants In! Plan Campus Club

A Texas A. & M. Navy Club is now being formed on the campus by veterans who served in the Navy or Marine Corps. Former aviators from the two services have held several meetings during the last week, and the response has justified their going ahead with plans for a Navy Club and possibly for a branch of the Naval Reserve (Ready) now being established throughout the country.

Plans for the club are still in the tentative stage, but it is expected that the base may be broadened by including non-flyers, both former officers and former enlisted men.

Future meetings and definite plans will be announced in the Battalion.

# ATTENTION MASONS

All Masons interested in organizing a local lodge are asked to meet in the Cabinet room of the Y. M. C. A., second floor, Monday evening April 29 at 7:30. All Master Masons interested in organizing a Masonic Lodge at College Station, are asked to contact Sgt. Jas. D. Coody at Dormitory 5, phone 4-1173.

# Pamphlets Will Replace Huge A&M Catalogue

Did you ever wonder what had become of the large general catalogues that were formerly issued by A. & M.?

The bulky catalogues are being replaced by a series of ten pamphlets which will be issued later this year. No. 1, General Information, has been available for almost a year, but the other booklets are now in the process of competition. No. 8, concerning the Agricultural Experiment Station, is now being finished. The departmental pamphlets will not be distributed until the series is complete.

The ten booklets will cover, in order: General Information; Agriculture, Arts and Sciences; Engineering; Military Science; Veterinary Medicine; Graduate School; Agricultural Experiment Station; Agricultural Extension Service; Register of Faculty and Students.

# CHEMISTS TO HOLD INSTRUMENT MEETING

Plans are being made to hold a conference on instrumentation for the process industries here next September, it is revealed by Dr. J. D. Lindsay, head of the Texas A. & M. College chemical engineering department. Representatives of instrument manufacturers and the industries using instruments would be brought in the conference, Dr. Lindsay said.

# AGGIE ENGINEERS GO WESTWARD—HO

The terrain between College Station and Llano underwent a thorough inspection this week (April 25-28) as 32 Texas A. & M. College civil engineering students made a special trip westward.

# CITY TAXES DUE BEFORE MAY 11

All property owners in College Station who have not rendered their 1946 taxes are requested to come to the City office and do so before May 11, 1946. Unless property is assessed, owners surrender right to participate in fixing values.

# Aggie Jamboree Slated for Guion On Sat. Afternoon

### Orchestra, Singing Cadets To Be Featured; Seniors Are Sponsors

Good news—another Aggie Jamboree will be held Saturday afternoon at 1:30 in Guion Hall.

The Jamboree is being sponsored by the Senior Class and admission price will be 25 cents. Half jam-session, half stage-show, these Jamborees put on by the Aggieland Orchestra have long been an Aggie tradition.

Highlights of the program will be Brax (Four Gun) Doak singing "Sioux City Sue" with the aid of the Westerners. The new tune, "Cement Mixer" will be sung by the entire orchestra.

The Singing Cadets of Aggieland will be on hand with "The Song of the Jolly Roger" and "The Night Is Young and You're So Beautiful," featuring the voice of Harry Doran.

Boyd Rogers will sing the current hit "Laughing on the Outside, Crying on the Inside," and the all-time Hit Parader, "Night and Day."

Bill Turner will direct both the orchestra and the Singing Cadets.

# Questionnaires On City Cemetery to Be Mailed April 30

Questionnaires prepared for the purpose of ascertaining the reaction of College Station citizens to the question of a municipal cemetery will be mailed with utility bills to all residents of the city on April 30, it was stated today by the City Office.

The questionnaire will give the brief details of the cemetery proposal and request citizens to indicate whether or not they wish to buy lots. If enough affirmative answers are received, the City Council will act to purchase the surrounding the burial grounds 30-acre tract known as the old Shiloh cemetery, it was stated. A 60-day option on the property has already been acquired at a price of \$6,000. The ground is located on Highway 6 about 1½ miles south of College Station.

If the cemetery is established, the city plans to sell plots to individuals, with perpetual maintenance guaranteed, for the following prices:

- One-grave lot (five by ten feet) \$50.
- Six-grave plot (12 by 20 feet) \$144.
- Eight-grave plot (16 by 20 feet) \$160.

# R. V. Johnson Gets Merit Medal From Czechoslovakia

The government of Czechoslovakia has sent the Medal of Merit to R. Verle Johnson of the Texas Forestry Service, A. & M., for his work in directing the photography of "The Beaches of Dunkirk."

Johnson was director of photography for the motion picture "The Beaches of Dunkirk," which showed the Czechoslovakian brigade in action in France. The picture has been shown in England and Czechoslovakia. Johnson also directed "The French Return," was sound engineer for "The Battle of Russia," released in theatres in the United States.

# CHINESE PROFESSOR WILL STUDY HERE

Hsia Sheng Ku, engineering instructor at Utopia University, Shanghai, China, will come to Texas A. & M. College next September to work toward a master's degree in sanitary engineering, it was announced by S. R. Wright, head of the municipal and sanitary engineering department.

Ku will serve as a graduate research assistant during his year's residence at the college.