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Army Security Agency Wins Moore Award

TSCW To Try New Corps Trip Plan

The Corps Trip for TSCW this year will be conducted under a new plan worked out by President L. H. Hubbard and the Student Council of that school.

According to an article in The Daily Lass-O, the TSCW school paper, the Corps Trip scheduled for October 15, in Fort Worth, will be a one-day affair with activities planned there at TSCW for Friday night and chartered buses running to and from Fort Worth for the girls and their dates.

Said the Lass-O: "The main pregame events will be an all-college dance on Friday night, especially inviting Aggies, and a midnight yell practice on the campus following the dance. The student's dates will be housed free of charge by the College that night and Saturday night as if they desire."

"In Fort Worth, the College will provide a large headquarters room in the Texas Hotel where students may meet their friends and dates and leave their bags. The school will also reserve rooms where the girls can change their dresses. For returning to Denton, the chartered buses will start leaving Saturday night at convenient intervals with the last bus coming back after the all-night dances there are over."

"Although students will not be compelled to return on Saturday night, the College will assume no responsibility for chaperoning a weekend trip. Add this one-day plan which was used until the Corps Trip was resumed after the war, has the advantage of being less expensive, easier on the students and better for maintaining the standards of the College."

The editorial column of the same issue of the Lass-O said, "The plan is not intended as a restriction on the students. It is not even made compulsory. It is worked out for the benefit of the student body as a whole, and is carried out by the students in the spirit of which it was planned, the Corps Trip will

ROTC Writers Needed by Batt

Battalion correspondents are still needed for many of the ROTC summer camps. Tom Carter, corps editor of The Battalion, announced today.

Only six summer reporters have volunteered up to now, Carter said. They are G. S. Kent at Aberdeen, Md.; Floyd Hens at Brooks Field, Ill.; L. G. Hillstrand at Fort Meade, Md.; J. W. Sanning at Fort Sill, Okla.; and C. C. Munroe at Camp Hood.

Men who sign up as summer correspondents will not have to write stories of Aggie activities at the different camps, Carter said. Instead, they will be furnished information sheets. One sheet, when properly filled out, can be sent to The Battalion office and the story will be written by regular staff members of The Battalion from the information furnished on the sheet.

Battalions will be sent free to Aggies at all the summer camps. Men who wish to sign up for Battalion reporting at the camps Carter stated, are requested to turn their names into the main desk at The Battalion office on the second floor of Goodwin Hall. Or, he concluded, they may contact any Battalion staff member.

Ground Broke For Education Edifice

The College Station Baptist Church held ground breaking ceremonies for its \$30,000 Education Building, Sunday.

The pastor, Rev. R. L. Brown, had charge of the program. After the singing of the Doxology led by Tony Sorenson, choir director, charter members were called for. The pastor gave a brief history of the building program of the church since the beginning of the Baptist work in 1920.

Then several individuals representing various departments of the church participated in the ground-breaking after the pastor broke the ground.

The benediction was given by R. F. Pearson of Temple who represented parents of present students.

become a credit to the school more than a possible blot on its name." "The Corps Trip is a tradition which is one of our strongest ties with our brother school, A&M. The TSCW students welcomed the resumption of this special trip after the war and the old one-day program was abandoned. Then the program began to get out of hand. After this year's trip to Dallas, parents and students complained about many of the things which went on in the hotels in Dallas. And the College realized that it could no longer take the responsibility for a weekend of entertainment when it was clearly impossible to provide adequate chaperonage."

Irrigation Men Attend Short Course at Tech

A special irrigation school sponsored by the Extension Service and the Agricultural Engineering Department at A&M will be held at Texas Tech next week.

B. F. Vance, chairman of the State PMA Committee; J. L. Matthews, administrative assistant of the Extension Service and Roy C. Garrett, assistant professor of the A&M Agricultural Engineering Department will take part in the short course which began today and will last through May 21.

County agents will attend the school and will then pass the information on to the farmers and other people that are interested. Texas Tech is furnishing the class rooms, laboratory facilities and several of the instructors for the course.

Geology of the high plains will be the subject under discussion the first day. Dr. Raymond Sidwell, head of the Geology Department at Texas Tech and P. E. Dennis of the same department will lead the discussion.

Geological formations in the Palo Duro Canyon Area will be studied the second day. Approximately 30 county agents have enrolled in the school and many problems in irrigation will be discussed.

Several field trips have been planned for the purpose of observing demonstrations on the various subjects to be studied. Each student will prepare a county irrigation program for the county or area which he serves.

The school is a result of requests from county agents for information on irrigation. Fred R. Jones, head of the Agricultural Engineering Department at A&M and J. L. Matthews, administrative assistant of the Extension Service helped design the course.

Marketing Society Plans Last Meeting

The Marketing and Finance club will hold its last meeting of the current school year Tuesday night, May 10, in Room 412, Agriculture Building.

Purpose of the meeting will be to elect new officers for the coming year. All members and prospective members are urged to attend according to Willis L. Sutton, president.

Livestock Show Declared Complete Success By All

By JAMES DAY

As the dust settled in the Agriculture Building after the final events in the 1949 Little Southwestern Livestock Show the general opinion of both spectators and those participating was that it had been a smooth-running, highly-competitive and completely interesting show. From the judging of the animals to the awarding of the prizes, everything went off like clock-work with something to hold the audience's attention throughout.

Undoubtedly the most publicized event, although not the most interesting, was the Dean's pig roping event. The semi-seasoned battlers for the silver buckle set and belt donated by the Saddle and Sirloin Club were Dean C. N. Sheppard of the Agricultural College and Dean of Men W. L. Penberthy.



These juniors acted as escorts recently for Miss America at the Onion Festival in Raymondville. They also took part in the Muster ceremonies there. Standing are Bill Blackburn, Jack Turcotte, Jake Leissner, Ace Jordan, Ben Tompsett, Bob McGlassen, and Bill Mayo. Around the microphone are Danny James, Jeff Jeffries, Bob Spear, A. B. Miller, and Riley Epps.

Parents Invade College To View Offsprings' Offerings

By C. C. MUNROE

A proud parade of parents that began Friday afternoon and finally wound its way out of Aggeland Sunday evening highlighted the greatest Open House and Parents' Day celebration in A&M's history.

An estimated 6,000 parents, friends and relatives of Aggies attended the annual ceremonies. The Aggie Follies night started the strenuous lineup of events. The colorful and amusing show, which was sponsored by the Aggie Players, was well attended by the advance guard of parents.

Saturday morning the main body of relatives streamed into College Station from all directions. Cars, buses, and trains brought family after family, all bent on getting the most out of the weekend that was dedicated to them.

The Freshman and Sophomore judging contest in the Animal Husbandry Pavilion drew the first parental invasion as it began at 8 a. m.

Soon the exhibits of every department were crowded. Interested families well in the tow of their sons tramped from one building to another as the Open House Day wore on. Agriculture exhibits attracted those whose interests were in the farming line. The parents of engineers, physics majors, geologists, business, English and every other conceivable major had their chance to see the type of work their sons were doing.

Perhaps the best attended exhibit of the host of offerings was the military department show. The younger members of Aggie families were especially fascinated by the line-up of weapons and other military equipment.

ment. No vehicle presented too big an obstacle to the curious small-fry.

The evening meal in Duncan and Sbisla Halls was well attended by the visitors. The after-noon entertainment of the Little Southwestern Livestock Show and the second performance of the Aggie Follies were both crowded. Several hundred people were turned away from Guion Hall when the standing room was filled.

The climax to one of the fullest days at A&M came when more than a thousand people assembled at the Grove to witness the new band shell receive its baptism of fire. The Aggeland orchestra provided the music, and little sisters, dates, and parents took advantage of the opportunity to dance.

A stag line that at times was almost out of control made the dance interesting for the people not used to the oversupply of men.

An exhibition of square dancing provided entertainment for those content to stand around the slab as onlookers.

The weary but enthusiastic visitors began their second day at Aggeland early Sunday morning with many of them partaking breakfast in the two mess halls. The largest Sunday morning crowd of the year was reported for Duncan.

The Flower Pinning ceremony following breakfast was witnessed by all the visitors. Immediately afterward, as the cadet corps formed for parade, the visitors trooped to the main drill field for the biggest show of the weekend.

Crowds gathered all around the huge field well in advance of the band's appearance. The reviewing stand was overloaded, with Mothers' taking the honor place on their day.

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Roy Blanton, social secretary of the senior class who serves as master of ceremonies, introduced Mrs. Randolph Lee Clark, the Aggie Mother of the Year.

Speaking to the other Mothers of students whom she represented, Mrs. Clark quoted from a song, "I Love Life." "I Want You To Know," Mrs. Clark concluded as she spoke of A&M, "This is Life."

The Singing Cadets, directed by Bill Turner, then dedicated "You'll Never Walk Alone" to the Mothers of A&M. A second selection was "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God."

Earl Rose, speaking for the non corps students, welcomed the Parents' Day visitors and gave the short sermon of the services.

The Sunday dinner in the college mess halls was crowded with parents and friends. Immediately afterward, many of them took advantage of the opportunity to visit in the dormitories.

A special drill by the Ross Volunteer Company on the main drill field was witnessed by more than a thousand visitors.

The weekend of activities was concluded with an Open House at the home of President Bolton. The Aggie Band, in a concert which drew thousands of listeners, put a fitting finish on the celebration.

A Air Force Is Named Best Drilled Outfit

A Army Security Agency was named winner of the Moore Trophy yesterday at the annual Mother's Day Parade on the main drill field. The unit is commanded by John M. Wallace, senior agricultural engineering

major from Corsicana. The awarding of the trophy is based on scholarship, military proficiency, intramural sports, and extracurricular activities. President F. C. Bolton made the award to the unit.

Aggies Take First Place In Baylor Intercollegiate Rodeo

The Texas Aggie Rodeo Team led by Loyd Griffith, Dallas; Charlie Wampler, Gladewater; and Bubba Day, Crystal City, snowed under a field of seven other collegiate teams Friday and Saturday by amassing a total of 605 points to their nearest competitors 180 in the First Annual Baylor University Intercollegiate Rodeo.

Performing in the Bear Club arena, Griffith collected a total of 145 points in the saddle bronc, bareback and bulldogging events to lead his team in scoring. He was named all-around Champion Cowboy of the show and received a hand-tooled saddle for winning the title.

Wampler roped in a 140 points in the calf roping and team roping. Day pulled down a total of 90 points in the bareback, bulldogging and bulldogging, while Wally Cardwell of Rockdale and Maxie Overstreet of Ft. Worth, were roping and riding their way to 65 points each. Pat Mitchell of Aspermont, the other member of the six man team, had hard luck in his events, calf roping and team roping.

Standings of the other teams competing were Stephen F. Austin second with 180 points, Baylor third with a 100; Hardin-Simmons fourth with 80 and Texas University fifth with 10.

These points won by the team

Rotarians Hear E. E. McQuillen

E. E. McQuillen, director of the A&M Development Fund, was the principal speaker at the regular Thursday meeting of the Houston Rotary Club.

Speaking to more than 500 Rotarians gathered in Houston's Rice Hotel, McQuillen explained the scholarship activities of the Development Fund. He outlined the manner by which men given financial aid under the scholarships are chosen, and gave several examples of the positive results of the program.

A brief history of the scholarship activities of former students and friends of the college was also included in McQuillen's talk.

The address by McQuillen was part of the program presented by the Houston A&M Club for the city's Rotarians.

C. C. Munroe, feature editor of The Battalion, briefly outlined the close relationship existing between A&M and the city of Houston, and extended an invitation to the Houston House and Parents' Day programs.

President of the Former Students Association, Colonel George Smith of Houston, introduced the two speakers and the secretary of the Former Students Association, Dick Hervey, who was also present at the dinner.

and individuals go toward the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's standings to pick the Champion School and the All-Star Rodeo Team at the end of the year.

Author, Editor List Speeches

Two men from the communications field will speak to A&M students this week under auspices of the Journalism Department.

Chester Rogers, feature writer for the Houston Chronicle, will talk on how to get and write features. He will use his story on the Ross Volunteers, scheduled for publication in the Chronicle May 15, to demonstrate his method.

Rogers has been a feature writer for Texas newspapers for years. Formerly a free lance, he joined The Chronicle staff three years ago. His talk is scheduled for 7:15 p. m. Tuesday in the YMCA Cabinet Room.

On Wednesday at 7:15 p. m. Silas Ragsdale, managing editor of the Petroleum Refiner, will speak on opportunities in industrial journalism. He will speak in the YMCA Assembly Room. Ragsdale was for years an executive editor of The Galveston News and is recognized as one of Texas' leading journalists. D. D. Burchard, journalism department head, said.

Both meetings are open to the public, Burchard said.

Bryan VA Office Will Close Soon

The Bryan office of the Veterans Administration will be closed in about 30 days, according to the Associated Press. J. B. Varnell, who has charge of the office, had heard nothing about the proposed closing when the word was received.

After contacting the regional office in Waco Varnell said the office will close as of June 15. After that date, the nearest office to this area will be Huntsville, Brenham, Houston, and Waco.

The closing of the office was part of a Veterans Administration order to 8,000 of its employees. The agency said it will close 42 offices in 23 states in an effort to meet budget limitations for the fiscal year starting July 1.

Veterans Administrator Carl R. Gray Jr., said the reduction will not affect hospitals and medical hands.

The branches to be closed are known as "contact offices." There are 4088 such offices employing one or two persons each. Their closing will account for less than 100 of the dismissals, the others coming out of bigger establishments.



Bebe Shoppe, Miss America of 1949, is escorted by three juniors at the Onion Festival held recently in Raymondville. Bob McCluskey and Riley Epps ride on each side of her while Jeff Jeffries looks around admiringly.

Air Force, commanded by Fred Hambricht of Roby was named the best drilled outfit in the Corps and each member received a unit citation card from the Houston Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee. This award is given each year to the outfit that obtains the most points on corps, regimental, and pass-by reviews.

Bob McClure, Cadet Colonel of the Corps, was winner of the Texas Department Reserve Officers Association Award. This award is presented annually to the outstanding cadet officer. It was awarded by Colonel John W. Mayo, president of the Texas Department of the Reserve Officers Association.

Doyle R. Avant, Jr., received the Caldwell Trophy, a watch, which is awarded each year to the outstanding junior of the Cadet Corps by Caldwell's Jewelry Store in Bryan. The award was presented by J. S. Caldwell.

Individual citation cards were presented to the outstanding junior of the Cadet Corps in each regiment, by the Houston Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee. These awards went to Doyle R. Avant, Cadet Corps; J. F. Dotson, Corps Troop; Don McClure, Infantry Regiment; Herb Bantel, Artillery Regiment; Kenneth Landrum, Air Group; L. A. Eubank, Cavalry Engineer Regiment; W. M. Steven, Composite Regiment; and Bill Bohlmann, Sixth Regiment.

Eleven seniors were awarded medals by the Sons of the American Revolution. These are presented annually by the Texas Chapter to the outstanding senior in the U. S. Air Force and each branch of the U. S. Army.

Those receiving these awards were T. L. Copeland, Air Force; J. H. Morris, Armored Cavalry; J. M. Wallace, Army Security Agency; M. E. Findley, Chemical Corps; Charles McGinnis, Corps of Engineers; Homer Osborne, Field Artillery; John Dieb, Infantry; A. M. Viscel, Ordnance; B. W. Hink, Quartermaster Corps; Dick Baugh, Signal Corps and Truman Martin, Transportation Corp. These medals were presented by Charles H. Land.

Tom Reynolds, junior engineering student, was awarded \$200 in cash by the Daughters of the American Revolution. This award is given each year to an outstanding junior cadet.

The Albert Sidney Johnson Sabber was presented to J. Fred Davis, Artillery senior from Fort Worth, by the United Daughters of the Confederacy. It is presented each year to an outstanding senior cadet.

E. H. Hahnfeld was presented a sash by the Brazos County Reserve Officers Association. It was presented by Captain Grady Elms, president of the association.

Following this presentation nine branch awards were announced. Those receiving these awards were: W. B. Zimmerman, U. S. Air Force Association Medal; R. H. Hahnfeld, Chemical Corps Association Medal; S. H. Barnes, Coast Artillery Association Medal; Charles McGinnis, Engineering Association Medal; B. J. Stoffregen, Ordnance Association Medal; E. W. Hink, Quartermaster Association Medal; F. R. Lengsfeld, Signal Corps Association Medal; George R. Edwards, and C. O. Smith, Jr., Transportation Corps Association Awards.

Nineteen Drum and Bugle Corps Awards were next announced. The keys are given each year to men playing in the drum and bugle corps by A. M. Waldrop. They were given to R. W. Lawler, D. B. Sparks, J. Horrell, W. S. Price, F. Albrecht, C. E. Wyatt, C. H. Neely, H. M. Scott, E. C. Rodriguez, A. D. Waidis, M. M. Bauman, B. Brockhoff, B. F. Coker, E. D. Stiles, Fred Kink, W. E. Elmore, W. A. Dunlap, J. A. Curtino, and W. F. Thompson.

The professor of Military Science and Tactics for Air Award, which is a gold key, was given to John E. Orr. It was presented by Lt. Colonel John H. Kelly, PMS&T for Air at A&M.

Don G. Kasper received a gold medal which is presented to the most outstanding cadet staff officer by officers of the tactical department of the College. Lt. Col. Frank S. Vaden presented the award to Kasper.

Next, the William Randolph Hearst Trophy was presented to (See AWARDS, Page 4)