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## Graduating Seniors Divided For Baccalaureate Sermons

Engineering and veterinary students will attend Baccalaureate Sermons in Guion Hall, and agriculture and arts and sciences students will attend exercises in the Assembly Hall, according to W. E. Street, chairman of the Commencement Committee.

Exercises will begin on Friday, June 3 for the Arts graduation. Processions form at 10:30 a. m. for the Baccalaureate Sermons with roll call at 9:45 a. m. Processions march will begin at 10.

Reverend Joseph Copeland, First Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., Denton, will speak to the engineers, veterinary medicine, and all advanced degree candidates in Guion Hall. Their procession forms west of the Academic Building and south of the Ross Statue.

Assembly Hall  
 Rev. Albert P. Shirkey, St. Paul's Methodist Church, Houston, will speak in the Assembly Hall for the agricultural and arts and science majors. Their procession forms west of the Academic Building and north of the Ross Statue.

Two Baccalaureate Sermons are being held to accommodate the families and friends of graduates and avoid limiting attendance, Street said.

Engineers and veterinary medicine faculty and staff form west and south of Ross statue.

Reserve Commissions  
 The presentation of reserve commissions will start at 1 p. m. in Guion Hall by Maj. General Lewis A. Pick, chief of engineers, U. S. Army; and Major General Glenn O. Barcus, commanding general, 12th Air Force.

Following the presentation of the commissions, there will be a reception at the President F. C. Bolton's home. All the 1949 graduates and their relatives and friends, faculty and staff members are invited.

Final Ball  
 Friday night at 8 p. m. the final ball will be held in Guion Hall. The final review will be at 9:30 p. m. Saturday on the Main Drill Field.

## Kiser Wins First In Garden Contest

C. F. Kiser was awarded the first prize of \$10 for having the best garden in the College View garden contest, according to F. R. Brison, chairman of the agricultural committee.

The gardens were judged by J. F. Rosborough, extension horticulturist. The weather has not been favorable for vegetable growing, but the gardens are creditable and reflect good production practice, Brison said.

Other students receiving awards were: Bill Doran, second prize, \$7; A. L. Bansa, third prize, \$3; H. T. Michael, fourth prize, \$2; R. H. Mahone, fifth prize, \$1; J. H. Bentley, sixth prize, \$1; and O. L. Brown, seventh prize, \$1.

These Encouragement Awards were donated by the College Station Development Association.



Jim B. Sailer, senior mechanical engineering student from Waco, has been chosen first prize winner for the A. F. Davis Undergraduate Welding Award for writing the best paper on a phase of welding. E. P. Rigby, instructor in the ME Department, stands beside Sailer.

## Engineer And CWS Reporters Missing

Correspondents for all but two of the ROTC summer camps have been assigned, C. C. Munroe, feature editor of The Battalion announced today.

The two camps not yet represented are Fort Belvoir, Va., and Edgewood Arsenal, Md. The engineers are slated to take their training at Belvoir and the chemical warfare service cadets will go to Edgewood.

## Grove Program Will Be Active This Summer

The Grove will be a busy place this summer, according to C. G. White, director of Student Activities. A committee of student senators has organized the following program:

Monday—Skating and dancing from 7 to 10 p. m.

Tuesday—Movie, starting at 7 p. m.

Wednesday—Bingo or special entertainment. Bingo will start at 7, and special events will begin at 8.

Thursday—Movie, starting at 7 p. m.

Friday—Square dancing at 7 p. m.

Saturday—A dance. Music will be by the Aggeland Combo for half the dances, and the rest will be Juke Box Dances. Dances will begin at 8 and last until 11 p. m.

Sunday—Skating.

The Grove will close each night at 10, except on Saturday.

Admission to all events will be free for students and student wives upon presentation of their yellow fee slips. Non-students will be admitted if they bring their own chairs. Skating will be free but skates will be rented for ten cents an hour for those who have none. White said.

Special entertainment scheduled for the summer sessions will be held on July 7, 13, and 20. On July 7, Bill Turner and George Dillavou will present "The Chocolate Soldier." July 13, the Zucker Sisters, duo pianists, will give a concert of popular and classical music.

July 27 Doraine and Ellis will again present Costumed Cameos of famous musicals. One other entertainment was originally planned for the summer sessions, but because of the small summer enrollment, the appropriations have been cut.

Members of the senate committee that organized the program are Dick Denney, Dick Baugh, Marvin Rice, and Charles Kirkham.

## Early Finish Of Center Is Held Possible

The Memorial Student Center may be finished as early as six months before the deadline of November, 1950, if labor, materials, and weather will permit. That is the opinion of K. R. Simmons, superintendent of construction who made "a wild guess" yesterday as to when the building will be completed.

Unit Two, second floor of the building, has been completed, and Unit One, the third floor, was poured yesterday afternoon. The roof on the hotel portion of the building has been finished for several days, and the roof over the second floor in the front will be poured in a few days.

Work has been progressing steadily on the complete structure, and as soon as the bricklayers strike is over, exterior finishing will be started. Other cleaning-up and finishing operations are expected to begin as soon as the pouring of the third floor, the roof over the second floor, and the roof over the third floor is complete.

When the structure is finished, the roofs will be topped with layers of insulation, tar, and gravel.

All modern fixtures and equipment will be used in the interior of the building. Some of the wiring and gas lines for outlets throughout the structure have been set in the already-poured floors and walls, and the rest will be set as the concrete is poured.

## Work Begun On Installing Water Coolers

Work has started on the installation of the fifty-eight electric water coolers in the twenty-four dormitories, T. R. Spence, manager of the Physical Plant, said today.

The rough piping is already being installed in Law and Puryear Halls. Two plumbers and their helpers are working full time on this project and if deliveries are made on time the installation will be complete by June 15 in the dorms that will be used this summer, Spence said.

20,000 dollars has been set aside from the Dormitory Reserve Account for this work. 10,000 dollars of this amount will be used for the purchase of the equipment and a like sum for the installation. The type coolers being used are the ten and fifteen gallon variety. The distribution of the large or small machines will depend upon the traffic that goes by the units, Spence said.

There will be a cooler in every tier of Law, Puryear, and Walton Halls and two in the other dorms. The coolers will be put on the first and third floors. In Leggett, Miller, and Mitchell Halls the machines will be put on the first, second and third floors.

The ten gallon per hour machines are Feder Electric Water coolers and the fifteen gallon ones are Sunrock. Delivery is expected in the next ten days, Spence said.

## Walton Says Job Situation Better

The job situation for agricultural education June graduates is beginning to open, according to E. V. Walton, associate professor of agricultural education.

With some 61 students graduating in June in Ag Ed and a small number of openings now available, here will have to be some waiting, he added.

Among the boys already placed are Harold Clark and Ed Langley going into the radio and extension service; M. C. Bozarth, L. G. Stewart, Bob Laing, and J. D. Love, going into the teaching profession as high school vocational agriculture teachers; and Jack Mathis going to the field of teaching veterans.

With the passing of the Gilmer-Alton bill aiding education and vocational education, the number of openings available to the students will be greatly stepped up, Walton concluded.

## Lavaca Club Elect Officers for Fall

The Lavaca County A&M Club met in room 308 Academic Building, May 12, to elect temporary officers for the fall semester.

Marvin Cornik, Moulton, was elected temporary president and Oscar Lee Barta, Hallettsville, was elected temporary secretary-treasurer.

## 'Ghosts' Provides Guion Hall Audience With Dramatic Treat



THE FRESHMAN BAND, recently named Outstanding Company of the Freshman Regiment, prepares to turn before the reviewing stand during ceremonies at the Annex.

## Betty Jo Gives Portrayal Of Fearful Widow

By GEORGE CHARLTON

Betty Jo Edvardson made a rather unpretentious entrance last night in the bleak setting of Henrik Ibsen's play "Ghosts" and promptly proceeded to give her Guion Hall audience a dramatic treat for their money.

As Mrs. Alving, a widow torn between dejected and new ideals, Mrs. Edvardson proved again that she is completely at home in any difficult role. The characterization of Mrs. Alving was particularly demanding—it demanded expression and clarity of character to get over the ever-present fears of a frustrated woman. Betty Jo Edvardson was on hand to supply it.

Linda James as Oswald, Mrs. Alving's son who inevitably goes insane, was convincing in his part and when his time came in the third act, he suddenly tumbled forth and repeated with the proper restraint the famous line, "Give me the sun, mother, give me the sun."

Karl "Bucko" Wyler offered a competent characterization of the difficult role as Mr. Manders, the local minister. George Willman made his role a clear cut characterization of Engstrand, an unscrupulous but not-to-clever old man, and offered a few ironically humorous remarks and gestures in his pitiful scheming.

Leanne Kersdale was in complete control of her role as Regina, a pretty young servant in the Alving household. She seemed completely at ease on the stage. Her actions, gestures and general attitude were indicative of the girl who wanted to "get somewhere."

Scenery for the play was appropriately gloomy and added to the general bleak atmosphere of the drama. Green and brown hues and dark furniture, needless to say, accomplished the job to perfection. Joe T. Meador of the Architecture Department designed the scenery and acted in the capacity of technical director for the production.

Only five characters are utilized in the plot, but the five Aggie Players' renditions of their parts provided highly suspenseful situations not out of actions but primarily out of startling dialogue.

Especially was the last act tense. Oswald tells his mother that he has attacks of insanity. She is shocked, then but much more so later as she sees one of the attacks coming on. As the curtain closes she is on the brink of a decision—whether or not to murder her own son. Ibsen drops the decision in the audience's lap.

This play is well worth seeing if only to view a smoothly handled stage production of a classic. But primarily it is enjoyable to see Betty Jo Edvardson, a wonderfully versatile actress at her best.

"Ghosts" is the second Ibsen play that the Aggie Players have presented, the first being "Hedda Gabler," last spring. The fundamental thesis of the drama is that "happiness is the outward side of goodness. Be happy, and you will be good."

The play was banned for many years by censors in most European countries because of its open mention of subjects which before that time had been considered "taboo." When first produced, critics of both art and life praised it, however.

Modern critics view it much as does Joseph Wood French, professor of modern drama at Columbia University, who says, "Ghosts" is an imposing piece of hypnotic morbidity, a masterpiece of exposition which keeps a mass of material straight and is notable for its atmosphere of gloom, darkness, and decay."

The production directed by George Dillavou will be presented again tonight in Guion Hall beginning at 8.

## Business Society To Have Barbecue

The Business Society will hold its annual barbecue Friday evening at 8, according to Bill Potts, reporter of the society. The affair is to be held at Hensel Park, which is located just north of the College View apartments.

This is the last function of the Business Society this year, and according to Potts, will be highlighted by a softball game between a team from the Business and Accounting Department faculty and a student team.

Anyone wishing transportation to the event is asked to call the B&A office in building A, Potts said.

## Summer Courses Of Other Schools May Not Transfer

By B. LUCE

Look before you leap at some other school this summer to pass that course that you've busied three times here already. It may not set well with the registrar's office when you get back next fall.

An official notice in Wednesday's Battalion, not always thoroughly read by inmates of this institution, reads as follows:

"Some of our students are making plans to attend the 1949 Summer Session in some other college or university. Such students should check with the Registrar's Office to make sure that your work completed elsewhere is acceptable in transfer to A&M."

Courses will not be accepted in transfer for degree credit unless they are (a) substantially equivalent in character and extent, (b) normally offered at the same level, and (c) with essentially the same prerequisites as similar courses offered at this college.

Students who fail a course in any subject and subsequently take such course or subsequent courses in the same subjects at another college may be required to pass validating examinations in such course or courses before they will be accepted for transfer toward degree requirements.

The first question on that "validating exam," follow grade-pointers, may be a request for you to explain in 25,000 words or more why you failed.

The man was running the boat up and down a flooded street. Once the wake of the speeding craft sloshed into a grocery store and knocked some merchandise off the shelves.

Hansen yelled at the driver to pull over to the bank.

"Hal Hal why don't you come and get me?" The man taunted. Then he churned his boat up the street and back again. But just as he came back opposite the policeman his motor conked out. Hansen waded out to the man.

"He didn't come out of there high and dry, either," said the policeman. "I made him get out of the boat and wade out just like I came in."

The motorboat speedster was jailed for disturbing the peace.

## McGuire to Be On Drawing Group

J. G. McGuire of the Engineering Drawing Department has been appointed to represent the American Society for Engineering Education on the American Standards Committee. This committee will attempt to standardize drawing procedures and drawing room practices.

Other members of the committee are Professor I. L. Hill of the Illinois Institute of Technology at Chicago, and Professor R. T. Northrup of Wayne University of Detroit.

McGuire was appointed by President Freund of the American Society of Engineering Education. Freund is Dean of Engineering at the University of Detroit.

McClure, who was chosen outstanding junior of the Infantry Regiment for the current year, was president of his sophomore class and vice-president of the YMCA cabinet in 1947-48.

## RV's Pick McClure As New Commander

Donald P. "Doggy" McClure, first sergeant of A Company Infantry, was unanimously chosen commander of the Ross Volunteer Company for the 1949-50 school year at an RV election meeting held Tuesday in Goodwin Hall.

McClure, who was chosen outstanding junior of the Infantry Regiment for the current year, was president of his sophomore class and vice-president of the YMCA cabinet in 1947-48.

He headed an entire new staff of officers elected by the Ross Volunteers Tuesday. The staff included, besides McClure, J. T. Dotson as executive officer, John L. Taylor as first sergeant, and as platoon leaders King Egger, Herb Beutel and Ken Landrum.

Dotson is artillery liaison sergeant on the corps staff. A former member of E Battery Field Artillery, winners of the George F. Moore trophy in 1946-47, Dotson is a mechanical engineering major from San Antonio.

The new first sergeant of the RV's, John L. Taylor is a pro-law major from Rotan. He is sergeant major of the cavalry squadron and a member of the Arts and Sciences Council. He also heads the Discussion and Debate Society as president and is a member of the Pro-Law Society and the H. J. B. K. Club.

Herb Beutel, one of the three newly elected platoon leaders is a pre-med major from Dallas. In

## Debaters Hit 500 At Waco Tourney

A&M's debating team compiled a three-three record in the Southern Speech Association Tournament in Waco last month, according to H. E. Hiatt, faculty sponsor of the team. Hiatt received full information on the six rounds of debate yesterday from Dr. Fred Fabank of the University of Florida, who was tournament director.

The debating team, composed of Larry Goodwyn, James Farmer, John Shortal, and Jack Shepherd, defeated Alabama Polytechnic, Tennessee State, and Baylor. They lost to the University of Florida, Pacific University (of Forest Grove, Oregon), and LSU. Of the 42 teams entered in the senior division, fifteen had better records than the A&M team and four others tied A&M, splitting their six debates three-three.

The tournament was won by Wake Forest and Southeastern State College of Oklahoma, each school winning all six of its debates.

## Architect Checks, Approves Stands

The baseball stands at Kyle Field were thoroughly inspected at the beginning of the season by Arch Baker, the college architect, and given one hundred percent approval.

Athletic Director Bill Carmichael made this statement yesterday to a Battalion reporter. The stands were also reinforced with wood last year, he added.

The stands will be inspected again next year and at the beginning of the baseball season each year thereafter, Carmichael concluded.

## Has Anyone Seen Red's Lizzie?

Lizzie, white English setter with brown specks on her nose and feet, is now AWOL and Red Duke, junior yell leader, and owner of the dog would like to know her whereabouts.

Little Lizzie went over the hill Saturday morning and has been on this toter ever since.

Anyone seeing Lizzie, please notify Red as soon as possible. Lizzie is still a flash and she has a four hour tour on the "Bull Ring" this Saturday to make up for her binge.