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W. C. Moses, parliamentarian; and M. R. Dimmitt, reporter-historian.

New Group Elected To Phi Kappa Phi

Seven graduates and thirty-four undergraduate students were recently elected to the local chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, according to an announcement by Robert M. Holcomb, president of the chapter. Initiation exercises for the new members will be held on Tuesday, January 17 at 5 p. m. in the lecture room of the Civil Engineering Building.

Phi Kappa Phi is a nationally known all-college honor society. The local chapter was installed on October 31, 1949, by the national president, Dr. Frank Kerns of Pennsylvania State, College.

The new members include 31 January graduates and three June graduates. Other June graduates will be elected to the society at a later date, according to Holcomb.

Elected from the Graduate School were Harold N. Ballard, Fred F. Crawford, Ahmad T. G. Wakeel, Oscar D. Ferris, Charles M. Hohn, Allen F. Johnson, Jr., and George W. Kunze.

The following students were elected from the School of Agriculture: Lewis F. Newton, Edwin M. Whittington, James M. Sullivan, Jr., Alvin G. Imhof, Paul W. Leeper, Alfred L. Wheeler, Harry C. Lane, Wilbur R. King, Jr., Lester C. Alley, John P. Benes, Henry A. Simpson, Don E. Stroope, and Bill J. Varnado.

Students elected from the School of Arts and Sciences were Glenn R. Williams, Charles D. Cabanis, Bruce B. Newton, Jr., Marion E.

Hensley, Jr., Donald I. Ogden, and John V. Halick.

Students from the School of Engineering who were elected included Henry A. Knight, Gillis L. Fromme, Archie H. Kotara, August J. Otte, Billie L. Dickerson, Lloyd R. O'Neil, David E. Hobbler, James A. Hunter, Jr., Robert W. Carter, Joseph L. Haywood, Robert L. Street, Wayne D. Tiner, Frank H. McClain, and Darwin R. Hamilton.

Paul F. Brandes of Weimar was the only student elected from the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Previous to the election of new members, the constitution of the A&M Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi was read and adopted.

Other officers of the local chapter are J. Franklin Fudge, vice-president; Richard L. Padrick, secretary; Charles N. Shepardson, treasurer; and Paul J. Woods, journal-correspondent.

Wonder If He Checked On The Fights in Pago Pago?

The strangest things happen at The Battalion office in the wee, small hours. Sometimes people come through moving things, there's usually a hot argument going on, and occasionally its so quiet you can hear the grade points being lost.

Tuesday night, though, there was variety. Promptly at 11:55 the telephone rang, interrupting the co-editors (the only stalwarts remaining) from their typewriters.

C. C. Munroe lifted the phone to hear the operator's voice say, "Deposit \$1.95, sir," and, after the usual coin-dropping pause, "You may go ahead sir."

"What?" demanded a fuzzy voice, "is the score of the ball game?"

"Which ball game did you have in mind?" Munroe countered, cautiously.

"The TCU game with SMU," the muffled baritone came back, "What's the score?"

Munroe explained patiently that the AP wire had long since gone of, but that the inquiring-one might possibly call the morning paper in Bryan.

"Where are you calling from?" Munroe continued, thinking if he were close enough he could save a nickel by dashing down the street.

"Pennsylvania," said the voice. Slightly taken aback, Munroe began figuring ways to get the distant-but-questing one in contact with the down-town competition, whose wire runs 24 hours a day.

That's when the operator interceded, offered to transfer the call to the Bryan paper, and proved that operators are indeed thoughtful people.

The co-editors were cut out of the little drama at that point, but they couldn't help wondering just how it ended.

Did the determined citizen ever find out the score? Did he have enough bet on the outcome to make it worth his asking? And last, but most horribly unthinkable, did he die of a heart attack, or at least, did the Bryan papers tell him they were sorry, but since their wire reports were coming by way of Pittsburgh, that he should phone down the street and find out for himself?

ROTAN, Tex., Jan. 12 (AP)—Old Sam Baugh, the pride of Washington—talks like he's about to grieve that city's football faithful deeply.

Slingin' Sammy as much as said last night he's ready to quit the Washington Redskins and go to coaching at Baylor. There are still a couple of items to be taken care of—such as getting a definite offer from Baylor and a release from the Redskins.

But if the deal goes through, it couldn't be a lot worse—for Washington fans—if the other 10 men on the Redskins' first string all broke their legs. Sam has been around Washington longer than a lot of Democrats.

Baugh said at his ranch near here that officials from the Baptist school at Waco have asked him if he'd be interested in a job as head coach. They need a replacement for Bob Woodruff, who quit last week to go to the University of Florida.

"I'd be interested in the job all right if I could get things fixed up with the Redskins," the string-bean passing wizard said.

That meant he'd have to fix it up with George Preston Marshall, landman owner of the Washington National Football League club, to get out of his contract to play next season. Baugh said he didn't know whether that could be done.

In Washington, Marshall couldn't be reached for comment, but associates said he hadn't heard of Baylor's advances.

Anyhow, said Sam, "I figure they've talked to about a dozen other guys, too."

He's right. But the word from Waco was that the men Baylor would like most to get are Baugh, Backfield Coach H. N. (Rusty) Russell of Southern Methodist and Head Coach Don Faurot of Missouri—with Baugh in the lead.

Other reports from Waco were that friends of Homer Norton, who resigned as Texas A&M coach under Ex-student's pressure after the 1947 season, have let it be known he'd be interested in the job but didn't want to make a direct application.

The only Baylor official who could be reached for comment—President W. R. White—said he wasn't abreast of the situation but "Baugh should make a great coach." He also said there hadn't been a definite selection.

It would be Baugh's first real test as a coach. He's never been paid to do that, but he has helped in the Redskins' backfield, grooming Harry Gilmer, the former Alabama passer, to succeed him.

As a player he had enough experience to get by. Baugh will be 36 next March 17. He starred as a high school player at Temple and Sweetwater and at Texas Christian University. He's kept the Redskins rolling for 13 years and set 15 all-time national football league records.

Contacted at his ranch last night Baugh said the Baylor officials "came out here and talked to me about it, but I won't know anything until they have a board meeting."

Aged Disposal Plant Blasting Set for Sunday

An abandoned concrete sewage disposal plant on the site of the planned A&M golf course will be demolished Sunday afternoon at 1 by a dynamite squad from the 386 Armored Engineer Battalion national guard unit.

The structure is located about 300 yards West of highway 6, and 300 yards South of the main entrance boulevard leading up to the Administration Building.

Most of the structure is under ground, according to Col. Walter W. Parsons of the Military Science Department, and it will be "blown down" rather than blown up.

After the wall structure of the abandoned plant has been broken down by successive dynamite charges Parsons said, it will be filled and covered over with soil. The plant lies in the scheduled rough area of the golf course.

About 300 pounds of dynamite will be used in the separate detonations, Parsons continued, but there will be no danger to surrounding areas.

Plans for the demolition were worked out by juniors in the military science classes, Parsons added, and a number of cadets in the class will take part in the actual explosive operations.

The concrete wall average about 10 inches in thickness, and stand about four feet above the ground and five below.

In command of the operation will be Major Clarence B. Hewitt, executive of the 386 Battalion.

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Landrum Made Ag Mag Editor

Bee E. Landrum, senior farm management major from Alto, was elected as editor of the Agriculturist Wednesday evening in a meeting of the Agricultural Council.

Landrum, who has had previous journalistic experience with the Battalion and the Agriculturist, replaces Jim Park of Amarillo who is to be graduated this semester.

Preceding the editorship election, the council voted in favor of having an Agricultural Council Room in one of the agricultural buildings rather than in the new Student Center Building. This council room is also to serve as a lounge for agricultural students during the day. The exact location of the room will depend on the future building program of the college.

The information on the professor rating sheets two years ago and this past year was discussed and compared by Dean Shepardson in the council meeting. He spoke very favorably of the former ratings and praised them as being clean and constructive. However, many of the ratings this past year, according to the Dean, were not proper for anything but a waste paper basket because of the language used to express opinions.

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Ag Eng Present Distinguished Student Keys

Distinguished student keys were awarded to Jack M. Fokes, Dan C. Huckabee and James H. Long at a meeting of the Agricultural Engineering Society, Tuesday evening.

These students were selected on the basis of scholarship, contributions which they had made toward society objectives, attendance at club meetings and general interest in the society. Fred R. Jones, head of the Agricultural Engineering Department, presented the awards.

"Job opportunities in the farm structure field" was the topic of a speech delivered by W. S. Allen, Extension Agricultural Engineer, who was the speaker of the evening.

Allen stated that the Housing Act of 1949 would create a number of jobs in the Agricultural Engineering field. Congress continues to make additional appropriations. Four organizations that offer job possibilities under Section V-Farm Housing are the Farmer's Home Administration, the Agricultural Research Administration, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics and the Extension Service, Allen stated.

At present, only \$1,500,000 have been allotted to Texas for loans for farm buildings until July 1 of this year. However, plans are to increase this amount each year until 1953, Allen pointed out. Many private companies are realizing the need for better design in farm structures and are hiring agricultural engineering graduates for this job, Allen concluded.

Leroy Shiller was appointed chairman of the program committee and Fred Repper was appointed chairman of the social committee for the spring semester by Charlie Modisett, president of the society.

Coffee and doughnuts were served to everyone at the close of the meeting.

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Contest Slated For Students By Newswriters

The Texas Gulf Coast Press Association is sponsoring a contest among Junior and Senior students of Journalism in Texas colleges and universities for the purpose of quickening interest in the publication of non-metropolitan newspapers in that section, as well as other parts of Texas, D. D. Burchard, head of the Journalism Department said today.

All entries in the contest must be accompanied by a statement from the student's department certifying his eligibility to the Journalism Department Office, Room 105 Bizzell Hall, not later than March 1, 1950.

The essay of thesis treating some phases of non-metropolitan newspaper publishing will be judged on the originality, adequacy of treatment, and contribution to the non-metropolitan publishing field. The scope, length, and treatment of the submitted material will be at the discretion of the contestant.

The award will be a cash award, a token award, and an expense paid trip to the association's annual convention in Houston on Mar. 12 and 13, 1950. The total award will not exceed \$100, and in advent of failure of the presence of the winner at the convention, the second place winner gets the award.

The contest committee will consist of Tom Whitehead, Brenham Banner-Press, Chairman; Frank Zeiske, Bellville Times; Fohn Manthey, Jr., Cleveland Advocate, and Burchard.

The announcement letter and contest rules were sent to the Journalism Department by R. S. Telvis, Secretary-Treasurer of the Texas Gulf Coast Press Association, and may be seen there, Burchard concluded.

Ex-PW's Receive Compensation Pay

Ex-prisoners of war in College Station have begun to receive application blanks from the War Claims Commission to be filed against the offending country for failure to provide adequate rations to prisoners during the time of internment.

Rations in Japan were considered inadequate entirely, whereas prisoners in Europe were considered to get complete rations one day out of every 10. Under the provisions of law, prisoners in Japan will receive one dollar per day and European prisoners 90 cents per day for the duration of their imprisonment.

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Accounting Machines Destroyed, Building, Papers Add to Losses

Total damage to temporary classroom building B, which was gutted by fire of undetermined origin Wednesday morning, is estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$21,000. T. W. Leland, head of the business and accounting department, and T. R. Spence, supervisor of the department of physical plants said today.

Damage to the building was estimated to be around \$8,000, adding machines and calculators lost in the blaze were valued at an additional \$10,000, and \$3,000 loss in furniture was sustained. A considerable loss in books and papers, both

of the department and of department members with offices in that building was reported by Leland.

The alarm was turned in at 4:30 a. m. by Glenn G. Eimann, plant engineer of the college power plant, who first smelled smoke, then saw the fire. Within 15 minutes the volunteer fire department was on the scene with two pumper trucks and the hook and ladder truck.

Fourteen firemen fought the blaze for approximately an hour and a half before bringing it under control, said C. H. Warren, chief of College Station's fire department.

As yet no definite plans have been made either to repair the building or to tear it down, Spence said.

At their last meeting the Board of Directors authorized a \$100,000 extension to Francis Hall. After completion, the entire building is to be turned over to the Business Department. This building will be ready for use by January of next year Spence concluded.

Classes have been changed to other buildings for the time being until some more permanent arrangement can be worked out. Two classrooms and two labs are being equipped in the Textile Building and a number of classes will be assigned there as soon as these rooms are ready, Leland stated. Room schedule changes for classes formerly held in Building B are listed below.

Class	Time	Building	Room
101-501	MWF	Science	20
101-502	MWF	C	24
102-503	TThS	A	21
107-324	TThS	A	21
409-270	MWF	Animal Ind.	115
409-345	TThS	Animal Ind.	217
409-378	MWF	Aero. Eng.	2
409-500	MWF	Academic	127
409-501	TThS	Animal Ind.	217
303-214	TThS	Textile	102
303-227	MWF	Academic	129
303-231	MWF	Textile	102
303-503	MWF	Chemistry	306
304-228	TThS	Chemistry	320
304-229	MWF	Chemistry	9
304-500	TThS	Chemistry	306
305-226	MWF	Academic	106
305-227	TThS	Animal Ind.	115
305-319	MWF	F	23
305-501	MWF	Chemistry	306
305-503	TThS	Bolton	205
306-229	TThS	Chemistry	320
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310-228	TThS	Textile	102
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418-252	MWF	Academic	106
418-500	TThS	Chemistry	306
420-325	TThS	Chemistry	