

The Freshman Page

Editorials

A Flag or Dishonor? . . .

Before anyone realizes it, the Freshman Class is going to be broke. At least that is what present indications show. After paying \$134 for damages done to special study halls at the Annex, it looks as though the coffers of the class of '53 will soon suffer a deficit of more than \$200 unless someone recognizes his responsibility to his classmates and to his school.

All evidence uncovered so far definitely points to the Freshman Class as being responsible for the disappearance of a flag belonging to the Cavalry Squadron. The flag, valued in excess of \$200, was given to the college by the A&M Mother's Club some years ago. The banner is handmade and will be very difficult to duplicate.

The Freshman Ball was the scene of the flag-lifting. The colors of the Cavalry Squadron, along with those of the various other service branches, were displayed beside the wall in Sbis Hall. Some freshmen (and officials have good reason to believe it was a freshman) helped himself to the flag during the evening.

Perhaps the man who took the flag didn't realize the consequence of his act. Perhaps he couldn't foretell that his "innocent" bit of fun would lead to disgrace for the class of '53. He must have overlooked the fact that the Commandant would question Annex administrators and Freshman Class officers in an effort to locate the flag.

What's done is done. But maybe the man who has the flag has enough honor and "guts" to return it. Someone would surely see it, if it should turn up at the front steps of the Student Center or maybe at the base of the flag pole.

If the man who has the flag is afraid of being caught, there is certainly a way to return it without anyone knowing who had it. We don't think the man should go unpunished, but after all, the flag is what everyone wants. And we feel sure the matter would be forgotten if the flag was returned.

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Annex Intramurals

By PAT LEBLANC and JOE BLANCHETTE

Tommy Mondshine, Company 2, fought his way to victory in the finals of the intramural pingpong singles by defeating Louis Runge of Flight 11. After his defeat, Runge teamed with Jack Wilder, Flight 11, to defeat Mondshine and Leland Franke in the doubles bracket. The winners were awarded medals for their championships in the 14 entrant meet.

The champs of the boxing program were named last week after the finals were concluded in the Annex Gym.

"Lefty" Cain of Company 7 was named the victor of the 169 lb. division after his hard-won, split-decision victory over R. E. McCarley of Company 8.

B. E. Black, also of Company 7, continually peppered his opponent, J. P. Jernall of Company 4, with hard lefts to win the 179 lb. division.

Company's Don Olsen won the 149 lb. title from another Company 7 representative, B. K. Boyd. In the 119 lb. class, F. M. Foster of Flight 10 outlasted C. A. Roper of Company 3 to win the title.

B. E. Barnard carried the flight continually to F. E. Bettencourt of Company 7 to bring the 129 lb. title home to Flight 9.

W. L. McReynolds of Company 6 won the 139 lb. Division title by edging his opponent, L. Powell of Company 3 in the finals. In a very slow bout, J. E. Hall of Company 4 outwitted and outfaked his opponent, R. E. Inshall also of Company 4 to gain the 159 lb. division crown.

W. G. Crane won the heavy-weight title on a forfeit from M. E. Beck who failed to appear for the scheduled appearance.

R. D. Shivers of Flight 13 won on a three minute and 10 second fall over R. T. Yagci of Company 8 in the Intramural Wrestling bouts held Monday night.

D. R. Buckner of Company 7 won on a 4-1 decision over M. K. Manley of Company 6 while H. L. Moore of Company 8 defeated W. A. Dunne of Company 7 on a two-minute fall.

J. H. Malcolm of Company 3 defeated Company 7's B. C. Fooley in four minutes with a body press. Trailing B. J. Rankin, Company 4, in points, H. L. Stegall of Flight 13 came back to stage a dramatic finish by winning the match on a body press with only 30 seconds remaining in the fray.

E. M. Holder apparently had H. D. Hulan defeated when Hulan miraculously escaped from Holder's advantage and pinned the Company 5 representative to gain a win and change defeat into victory. S. C. Guthrie, Company 1, pinned C. A. Mendes, Company 8, in the first two minutes of their bout.

B. G. Lay, Company 1, defeated Company's 3's representative, D. R. Heath, in 2:25 of their schedul-

ed five minute bout. M. B. Gough of the Veterans defeated G. H. White of Flight 13 in 3:25 of their bout. White had the Vet down but Gough escaped with a "leg twist" hold and proceeded to defeat the corps member.

It took just 1:04 minutes for J. H. Sykora of Company 3 to race from his corner, gain a hold, and pin G. Staffel of Company 1 in their bout while C. A. Grantom of Company 2 was forced to go the limit and gain a two point decision over N. E. Buescher of Flight 11. Maxwell of the Infantry defeated Lindsay on a body press in exactly 1:32 of their match.

J. R. Frey of Company 4 worked hard to defeat R. F. Walls of Company 8 in their bout. At the end of three minutes each wrestler had gained 6 points and at 4:22, with Frey ahead 8-6 on points, Frey pressed his opponent to the canvas for the victory. Hubbell defeated Stewart on a 5-2 decision after the bout had been called to a halt at the end of the 5-minute period.

Garcia of Company 5 was named the winner over Coldiron at the conclusion of their match. With over a minute remaining in the match the tired victor continued to keep away from the "air boy" and Coldiron could not press his advantage of being the more rested and in condition for the battle.

Engineering Meet Wednesday Night

A meeting will be held Wednesday night in the Chemistry Lecture Room at 7:30 by the Engineering Student Council, C. H. Ransdell, dean of the Annex, announced today.

Purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the value of membership in the various engineering societies, Ransdell said. Presidents of the respective engineering societies having local chapters on the campus will be present at the meeting.

Ransdell urged all engineering students to be present. Refreshments will be served.

Frosh Company Pictures Scheduled

Pictures of the Freshmen Regiment companies will be taken on Saturday, March 18, Lt. Col. R. L. Melcher, Annex commandant, announced this morning.

All freshmen are required to be present for the picture-taking, which will probably be taken before the Corps Parade that afternoon, Melcher said.

The Freshman Exhibition Drill Team posed on the steps of the Capitol Building in Austin last November for this picture after marching in a parade that preceded the Fish-Shorthorn football classic. Commander of the group is Joe Wallace of San Antonio (front row left), Master Sergeant J. C. Thomas (to the right of Wallace) is the military advisor for the group.

Drill Team Adds Members; Spring Events Scheduled

By ALLEN PENGELLY

One of Texas A&M's youngest organizations is the Freshman Exhibition Drill Team, composed of any member in the Freshman Class who isn't on scholastic probation, who doesn't mind a little hard work, who's proficient in military fundamentals, and who enjoys fellowship with a grand collection of men.

The team was organized in 1947, but did not receive official A&M sponsorship until the fall semester of 1949. Before that time, the team was simply an extra-curricular activity among the freshmen.

Receiving school sponsorship meant lots of extra work for the team because now that the school has added its stamp of approval, every movement and change of pace must be letter-perfect. It is for this reason that whenever the weather is clear and the parade ground is suitable for march-

ing, one may see the team ably put through its paces by Joe Wallace, team director, and his assistants, James McGee, Lyle Wolf-skill, and Richard Saunders.

Beside the continual marching, each cadet must be able to go through the complete manual of arms and display outstanding military bearing and leadership qualities.

The team made its initial public appearance this school year in Austin where a creditable half-time performance was put on at the Fish-Shorthorn game despite the heckling of the T.U. contingent. Because of its reputation for flawlessness, the platoon has received an invitation to participate in the annual Battle of Flowers celebration held in San Antonio. The trip has not yet received official sanction but team members may be seen cleaning their equipment in preparation for the journey.

April 28, the drill team will entertain the Federal Inspection Party with a routine drill plus an exhibition of a formal changing of the guard mount. This precision drill movement requires considerable skill on the part of its participants.

Again on Mother's Day, the team will perform for the crowd of parents and future cadets attending the annual open house.

At the closing of the school year, the group may go to Houston, for their annual High School ROTC Regimental Review, but no definite announcement concerning this has been made by the Military Department. It is at this gathering that the unit will match talent and wits with the recently formed University of Houston Cullen Rifles.

Recently the team held try-outs and eight new members were admitted. "It is still not too late to try out for the team. Interested freshmen may contact Joe Wallace and arrange for a tryout."

Distinguished Students Recognized at Parade

By JOEL AUSTIN

The Freshman Regiment honored distinguished students at the Annex yesterday in a special ceremonial parade at which Dr. F. C. Bolton, president of the college, pinned distinguished student ribbons on thirteen "A" average students.

The parade, which was held on the air strip, was attended by the deans of the respective schools of the college as well as other administrators from the Annex and the main campus.

As the band played and the companies took their place on the air strip, 134 freshmen stepped from the ranks and formed a column in front of the reviewing stand. From this group, 13 stepped forward to receive special recognition for their grade average of "A."

Ransdell Makes Talk

A short talk was made by Annex Dean, C. H. Ransdell, stating that the purpose of the gathering was to pay special tribute to the

men who had distinguished themselves in their academic work.

President Bolton then awarded ribbons to the top thirteen men. Afterwards the deans of each of the schools of the college presented ribbons to men majoring in courses in their school.

Regiment Reviewed

Companies of the Freshman Regiment then passed in review before the reviewing stand crowded with school authorities, military personnel, and guests.

According to Ransdell, this is the first time such an award has been made publicly to distinguished students. Only an authorization to buy and wear the ribbons has been given in the past; however, this year officials at the Annex decided that deserving students should receive the ribbons and special recognition before the Freshman Class.

An unusually large crowd gathered to watch the ceremonies. Companies and flights competed for individual honors in the parade.

Yell Practice Is Scheduled Monday

A yell practice has been scheduled for Monday at 6:45 p. m., Evert Ricketts, freshman yell leader, announced this morning. Caesar "Dutch" Hohn, '12, one of A&M's greatest football and baseball stars for four years, will be present to assist in leading the yell practice and to deliver a speech on Aggie Spirit, Ricketts reported.

Hohn has been featured by the Saturday Evening Post in several articles. He presently resides in Austin where he is employed by the Lower Colorado River Valley Authority as a soil conservationist, Ricketts said.

Movie on Surgery Shown to Biologists

A film pertaining to the surgical operation of the heart by Army doctors was shown to the Annex Biology Club in the biology lecture room yesterday evening. A large crowd attended the meeting and from many reports, those who saw the picture can justly say that the 45 minute film was very enjoyable and educational.

Roddin Purswell, president of the Annex Biology Club, said that Annex freshman who are interested in any phase of science, can still join the club by seeing Louis A. Shewart in barrack T-355.

EDD Drawing Meet in May

The annual Engineering Drawing Contest will be held at the Annex Saturday, May 6, according to B. F. K. Mullins, chairman of the committee from the Engineering Drawing Department to plan the contest.

Awards to winners of the various divisions of the contest will be made Friday, May 12 which just precedes All-College Day. Mullins said. Speaker for the award meeting will be Marvin C. Nichols, consulting engineer from the firm Freese & Nichols of Fort Worth. Mr. Nichols has not yet announced the topic of his talk.

Students may compete in one of four divisions: an instrumental working (shop) drawing contest, a free-hand pictorial drawing contest, or a contest in solving a descriptive geometry problem. Prizes will be awarded first, second, and third place winners. Mullins announced.

"The Engineering Drawing Department, by announcing at this early date, seeks to stimulate interest and effectiveness of work among all of its students rather than in merely a selected few," said Mullins.

"The contest has been held for many years, and usually the winning drawings are exhibited as a feature of the All-College Day when open house is held by all departments of the college for visiting parents and friends," Mullin added.

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Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday . . . Mark	4	26-32
Monday . . . Matthew	13	1-9
Tuesday . . . Genesis	1	29-31
Wednesday . . . John	1	1-14
Thursday . . . Isaiah	35	1-10
Friday . . . Isaiah	9	25-28
Saturday . . . John	4	34-38

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9:45 A.M.—Church School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
5:00 P.M.—Supper Group  
A & M Church of Christ  
8:45 A.M.—Bible Classes  
10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship  
7:15 A.M.—Youth meeting  
A & M Methodist Church  
9:30 A.M.—Cadet Coffee Hour  
10:00 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship  
Christian Science Society  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
St. Mary's Chapel  
8:30 A.M.—Sunday Mass  
10:00 A.M.—Sunday Mass  
College Station Baptist  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship  
6:15 P.M.—Baptist Training Union  
7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship  
St. Thomas Episcopal Chapel  
8:00 A.M.—Holy Communion  
8:30 A.M.—Aggie Coffee Club  
9:30 A.M.—Church School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
6:30 P.M.—Evening Service  
6:30 P.M.—Student League  
7:30 P.M.—Fellowship Service  
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9:30 A.M.—Bible Class  
10:45 A.M.—Worship Service  
A&M Presbyterian Church  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship