

Construction Bids Ready for Board

Bids have been received for six campus improvements, according to information received from T. R. Spence, manager of the Department of Physical Plants. All bids will be passed on at the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors March 24th in Dallas, Spence said. Construction on all of the projects will begin in the middle or the latter part of the month of April.

The low bid of \$125,800 on the proposed addition to Francis Hall was submitted by A. W. Brunson of Dallas. The addition will house the main offices and some of the classrooms of the Business Department in the three new floors.

Construction of the 10,000 square foot addition will begin about the middle of April, Spence said, and is expected to be completed on December 15. The Business Department will move into the addition during the Christmas holidays and

will be ready for classes the first of January.

On March 9 bids on three steel fire escapes for the Student Memorial Center were received with the low bid of \$2,835 being submitted by Southern Steel Co. of San Antonio.

The bids for the farm water and sewer lines for the golf course and the farm lands across the railroad tracks were submitted February 28th. Of the ten bids received the low bid of \$27,300 was submitted by the Municipal Service Co. of Tyler.

The college will furnish nearly all of the pipe to be used and this will bring the total cost of the water and sewer lines to \$58,800.

A low bid of \$26,969 was received from the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co. for the construction of eight bowling alleys for the Student Memorial Center.

Two new horse barns and a dairy feeding barn are to be built on the farm lands west of the railroad tracks. R. A. Burke of Bryan was low bidder with bids of \$87,819.73 on the horse barns and \$45,418.75 This will make the total expenditures on the horse barns and the dairy feeding barn come to a total of \$133,238.48.

Freiburger To Enter Race For Councilman

W. H. Freiburger, barber at the Campus Corner, has announced his candidacy for the office of councilman of Ward III.

"I feel the need for better representation from my ward in the council", Freiburger said. He expressed the need for honesty in all government and equal treatment of all people.

"I would like to see the city improve its sewer system to the extent of doing away with septic tanks which are being used in most parts of town", he said, discussing changes he would like the council to make.

Freiburger moved here ten years ago from Greentville, Texas. He and his family live at the corner of Sulphur Springs Road and Meadowland Street.

His son, Henry, graduated from A&M in the Class of '48, and his daughter, Emma Maye, 19, attended the University of Texas for two years and is now enrolled in McKenzie-Baldwin Business College in Bryan.

Mitchell Seeks Election To City Council

Billie Mitchell '42, local representative for the State Farm Insurance Company, has announced that he will be a candidate for city councilman.

"I have always had a profound interest in community affairs and would like especially to see College Station become a better and more prosperous city", Mitchell said.

Because of the many visitors here every week, College Station is somewhat of a show place, Mitchell said. We should take steps to make this a more presentable city to these people," he added.

"I would like to impress upon the people that they should show an active interest in their community by voting in the coming elections. Vote for someone, but vote", Mitchell said.

Mitchell graduated from A&M in 1942 with a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology. He lettered in track and was active in other sports.

After graduation, Mitchell joined the Army and served as Captain in the Field Artillery. He was stationed in both the European and Pacific Theaters of operation.

Mitchell was manager of the Cameron Chamber of Commerce for a year after leaving the service. He came to College Station two years ago and went into business.

Talk on Municipals Planned Thursday

A talk on municipal bonds will be given tomorrow evening in the YMCA Chapel, D. R. Fitch of the Business and Accounting Department said today.

Rennie Baker, member of a Houston brokerage and investment banking firm, will deliver the lecture at 7:30 p.m.

Baker has been in the investment business for three years, Fitch said. A graduate of the University of Texas, the speaker served in a torpedo boat squadron in the Pacific for three years.

All men enrolled in the course in Investments offered by the business department may attend the lecture in lieu of their Friday or Saturday class, Fitch said.

All others interested in hearing the talk on municipal bonds are invited to attend, he concluded.

Duchess Selection Deadline Extended

Deadline for turning in names of duchesses for the 1950 Cotton Pageant and Ball has been extended from March 15 to April 1, according to David Rives, social secretary of the Pageant.

Invitations to send duchesses to the Pageant and Ball have been extended to all campus clubs, regiments, ex-student clubs, and mother's clubs. Any of these organizations desiring to submit their duchess' name should contact him at Dormitory 10, room 321 or should write him at Box 4266, College Station, Rives said.



Elizabeth McGee, 1950 Maid of Cotton, will model several cotton costumes at the Cotton Pageant on Kyle Field, and be guest of honor at the Cotton Ball in Sbis Hall, both on Friday night, April 28.

Spruced-Up Sparrows

Band-bearing Birds Beef, Say Fowl Business Afoot

By CHESTER CRITCHFIELD

Don't be surprised if all the birds in the College Station area start a walking fad instead of following the wing-weary habits they are now undergoing.

It seems that the local feathered brethren are carrying more aluminum aloft than the local planes these days, simply because of the whims of a few of these silly wild-life students.

Yes, pity the poor grackles, cowbirds, doves, buzzards, and any other unfortunates that fall into the hands of this leg-banding bunch of Aggies, but moreso, pity the poor guys who are assigned the job of putting small metal bands on the legs of our feathered friends.

Dr. Leonard Wing has assigned all students in his wildlife Techniques class the task of catching and banding thirty-seven birds. They are keeping their eyes on new dove nests with as much vigilance as a bunch of hungry cats, and as soon as a young bird sticks his leg out of the egg it gets a band put on it.

Why, it's getting so that any self-respecting cowbird is afraid to step in College Station for a free meal for fear of stepping into some ingenious trap, being put into an old sock and weighed, having

Cattlemen's Ball Set for April 22

April 22 has been set as the date for the annual Cattlemen's Ball, according to Douglas Wythe, president of the Saddle and Sirolo Club.

The Ball, to be held in Sbis Hall, will feature music of "Jesse James and His Boys". Tickets for the Ball may be obtained by anyone in the School of Agriculture for \$2 each, Wythe said.

Plans for the Ball were made quick at the Tuesday night meeting of the club. Dates for the Little Southwestern Livestock Show and Rodeo will be May 12 and 13, Bill Turnbow, rodeo superintendent, announced at the meeting.

School Radio Show Offered on WTAW

A new student conducted radio program is now being offered over station WTAW each weekday at 5:30 p. m.

Miss Glenda Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brown, and a student at A&M Consolidated, is the emcee for the show.

The daily program is a combination of school talent, including singers and musicians, recordings of current hit tunes, and news concerning activities among the students of A&M Consolidated.

A shell egg graders short course will be held here March 28, 29, and 30.

E. D. Farnel of the Poultry Husbandry Department is in charge of arrangements.

Szigeti Superb In Town Hall's Season Finale

By HERMAN C. GOLLOB

Joseph Szigeti showed his worth as one of the most profound and complex masters of the violin to a Guion audience last night at the final Town Hall event of the 1949-50 season.

The highly gifted artist gave a distinguished and completely satisfying performance, his playing disclosed technical as well as interpretive skill.

Every tone he produced was infallibly pure and ductile, sweet in quality and invariably pleasing. Tricky passagework, trills, chords, and other mechanical details were highly perfected in a clean-cut, imaginative delivery of each number.

His account of the varied selections possessed sensitive lyricism or dramatic intensity, according to the particular need of the music.

Memorable Interpretation

Szigeti gave a memorable interpretation of Beethoven's "Sonata in A Major, Op. 47". This piece he imbued with an unusual amount of tenderness and deep human feeling. The depth of impressiveness was great.

Veracini's "Largo" was presented with irresistible suavity of tone. Paganini's "Caprice No. 24", played without accompaniment, was a combination of wonders. Here one heard the subtleties of a tonalist who has mastered every secret and mystery of the violin.

To Mendelssohn's "Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64" Szigeti imparted great cunning and sensitivity, displaying magic of touch and steadily mounting glory and beauty. His differentiation between the moods of the number resulted in a lucid and communicative performance.

Three Encores

Cowell's "Ballad and Jig from Violin Sonata" and Stravinsky-Dushkin's "Russian Dance", from "Petrouchka", were treated with zing and finesse by Szigeti.

And "Maidens in the Garden", which Szigeti himself composed, was given a fluent and passionate warmth by the violin virtuoso.

Called back for three encores, Szigeti obliged his audience with Tarantini Variations, and "Zephyr" and "Céardas" by Hubay. These all emerged with vitality, freshness, and infallible taste.

Has Great Zest

In a post-concert interview, Szigeti, whose serene blue eyes and ruddy complexion render him almost boyish in appearance, attributed the warmth of his style to a full-blown and unquenchable zest for playing which he has kept through forty years of musicianship.

"When I played the Largo tonight," he said, "it was for the four-hundredth time at least. But I played it as if it were for the first. And all the while I was playing I thought, 'When I die, it shall be while playing the violin.'"

Szigeti was accompanied by Joseph Levine, a pianist of exceptional skill and finesse.

Control Plans Get Approval

Washington, March 14—(AP)—A flood control and waste utilization program for the Brazos River watershed in Texas which will include the Ferguson Dam, near Bryan on the Navasota River, was approved by Secretary of the Army Gray today.

His action was announced by Rep. Poage (D-Tex.), who said details of the program as prepared by army engineers will be sent immediately to Congress.

Other flood control dams to be built on tributaries of the Brazos are Bosque River, near Waco; Proctor Dam, on the Leon River in Comanche County; Youngsfort Dam near Belton, on the Lampasas River in Bell County; and Yagou Creek, near Summerville in Berleson County.

No cost estimates were immediately available.

The report is to be submitted to Congress, said Poage, with a notation from the President's Budget Bureau that it has no objection to submission of the document, but is against any appropriation of funds at this time for the proposed works.

Officers Report Sheriff's Killer Mexico-Bound

Marfa, Texas, March 15—(AP)—Officers seeking the handcuffed killer who shot down Texas Sheriff O. W. (Blackie) Morrow reported they had found where the man had entered Mexico.

They had lost his trail Monday but late yesterday afternoon word from the booted, armed possemen to the sheriff's office here was that the trail was found again.

About nine miles above Presidio, Tex., officers saw where the fugitive's tracks went into the Rio Grande. The Marfa sheriff's office was told the officers had information the man is in Mexico; that he has a pistol belonging to the sheriff.

A small group of United States officers has gone into Mexico to work with Mexican officers in an effort to capture the man, the Marfa sheriff's office said.

Across the border is northern Mexico's mountain country.

The spot where the trail was found today is about 15 or 20 miles from where it was lost yesterday.

The husky, six-foot sheriff, 43, was shot early Sunday on a lonely mountain road near the ghost mining town of Shafter. Despite a hole through his chest he dragged himself to his car and drove a mile before dying. His gun and handcuffs are missing. Officers said they believe Morrow was shot by a man he arrested and handcuffed—and who somehow managed to wrest Morrow's gun from him, shoot the officer and escape into some of the hemisphere's most rugged country.

Mobile TB Chest X-Ray Unit Due Here April 4

The Brazos County Tuberculosis Association in conjunction with the State Health Department is sponsoring a Chest X-Ray Unit in Bryan and College Station.

This mobile X-Ray unit will be in Brazos County April 4 through 22. April 4 it will be at the Annex for the benefit of the freshmen there. The next day, April 5, the unit will move into Bryan for 12 days.

Monday, April 18, the unit will move into College Station, where it will be located in the Chapel of the YMCA. Office hours will be from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m. inclusively. W. L. Penberthy, chairman of the College Station area, announced.

On the last day, Saturday, April 22, the hours will be from 9 a. m. until 4 p. m.

It is through the work of this unit and units like it TB is becoming a conquered disease. The system used by this unit is the person's chest is x-rayed, a trained lung specialist looks over the film, and if any TB is present, the family doctor is informed.

Thus in many instances new cases are caught in the 'bud' and the more mature cases brought under control.

The TB case studies of cases during the past years found that children under 15 years of age were not affected very much by the disease. For this reason TB has been declared an adult disease.

In most test cases, where children were found under 15 years of age with TB, some adult member of the family had the disease.

To cure the young one, test cases showed, all that was necessary was to remove the adults from the children and the children's cases would clear up without outside help.

"The only way for such a program to be a success is for everyone in College Station to get a chest x-ray. This way we can catch all active cases and prevent them from becoming carriers," said Penberthy.

The X-ray and examination is free to all persons. The result of the examination is mailed to the family doctor and all findings are confidential, Penberthy said.

Because of the new equipment being used it will not be necessary for persons being X-rayed to remove any of his clothing.

From Lieutenant to General, Crawford's Record at Brooks

By C. C. MUNROE

Brooks Air Force Base has served as an unusual milepost in the flying career of Alden R. Crawford.

It was at that air field that Second Lieutenant Crawford began his career as a pilot. The year was 1923 and he was fresh from West Point, headed for a life in the Army.

Twenty six years later he returned to Brooks, but this time it was as a major general commanding the Twelfth Air Force.

General Crawford is one of several general officers who will be on the campus this weekend for the corps review, and the Military Ball.

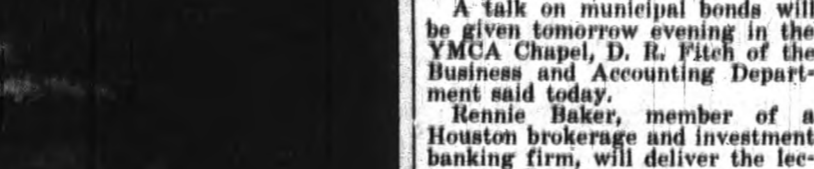
His first venture in flying at Brooks Field, as it was then known, was at the Air Service Primary School. The following year after his graduation he was assigned to Kelly Field, next door to Brooks, where he successfully completed a course in air observation.

Again General Crawford was assigned to Brooks. This time it was as adjutant at the still infant flying school from which he had been graduated.

Field was General Crawford's next assignment in 1939. He remained there until July 1944, serving in several capacities including chief of staff, Army Air Forces Materiel Command. At the time of his assignment overseas in 1944 as deputy commander of the AAF Service Command, General Crawford was serving as a temporary colonel.

During his overseas duty, General Crawford was given the additional duty as chief of the Air Supply Division of the Mediterranean Theater. In November, 1939, he received his permanent commission as a brigadier general.

At the end of the war, General Crawford returned to the United States where he was assigned as (See CRAWFORD, Page 4)



Major General A. R. Crawford, graduate of the USMA at West Point, is commanding general of the Twelfth Air Force with headquarters at Brooks Air Force Base, San Antonio. General Crawford will be one of the honor guests on the campus during the Military Ball weekend.