

Ags Seek Two Wins Over TU

By FRANK MANITZAS

A&M's off-and-on baseball team will be out to break the Orange and White jinx of Clark Field in Austin this afternoon, in the first of two do-or-die games.

The Longhorns are undefeated on their home diamond since the Cadet nine upset the dope bucket in '49 when they defeated the Longhorns there and gained a tie for the conference championship. Coach Marty Karow's boys are riding in the same ship again, and two victories over the Steers would give them a tie in the SWC baseball race.

Winner Meets Arizona

Should Texas win either today or tomorrow, they would oppose Arizona, Border Conference titlist, for the NCAA District 4 crown. The winner of that series goes to the national tournament at Omaha, Neb., June 15-22.

Last year the reluctant Austinites traveled to the third such "college world series" and emerged victors in the eight-district affair.

In the two previous series, California won the national flag in '47, with Southern Cal taking the title in '48.

Familiar Position

As usual, the conference race is ending with the Texans in the saddle, while the perpetual runner-up Aggies are again riding bareback. Last year the Steers edged the Cadets in the race for the conference crown by defeating the Aggies in two out of three games to take the series and the conference flag.

Starting hurlers for the Aggies today isn't known yet, but Karow's choice will probably be either Pat Hubert or Sam Blanton. Hubert is undefeated in conference play and claims five victories, while Blanton holds a 500 percentage with two wins and two losses.

Big Jim Calvert will be behind the plate for the Cadets as he finishes his fourth year as starting catcher for the home nine.

Rounding up the infield places are Yale Lary on first, Joe Savarino at second, Guy Wallace in the shortstop slot, and Hank Candelari on the third sack in the outfield, John DeWitt rides the range of the left section, with Shug McPherson in right, and Wally Moon in between.

Second in Hitting

The Cadets are second to the Longhorns in the hitting department with a 250 average, while the Steers pace the race at a 267 clip. Texas also leads in fielding with a .952. The Aggies rank fourth.

A&M's hitting—or lack of it—will be the determining factor today and tomorrow, along with the

quality of infield play. They will again meet the best hurlers in collegiate ball.

Texas coach Bibb Falk will probably start Murray Wall, who has won six and lost one in conference play, and will keep his other top hurler Charley Gorin in reserve.

The Austinite hurling staff which includes Jim Ehrler, junior right-hander who starred in the NCAA tourney last season, has won 30 of its 34 conference tests. The majority of the losses were at the hands of the Aggies.

AAUP Hears Astronomer In Stellar Lecture

Dr. George Van Biesbroeck, world famous astronomer who once corrected a theory of Einstein, lectured on the stellar system last night at a meeting of the Association of American University Professors.

Also in the group were a large number of amateur astronomers and visiting scientists.

The Belgium-born scientist discussed the various times with which light had been traveling from different stars, sticking close to elementary portions of astronomy.

Telling of the two types of stars—the small ones which can't be seen for lack of light radiation, and the larger ones which split and form binary stars, he outlined these facts with the use of slides. He showed that one out of three stars are double stars, and that stars are also traveling companions.

He praised the McDonald Observatory on Mount Locke near Fort Davis, saying that it housed one of the most efficient telescopes that he has ever worked with, and that the good climate of Texas is ideal for studying the stars.

Distance between stars was illustrated by Dr. Biesbroeck. He said that 12 different solar systems, as we have today, could be placed between some of the stars which look very near to each other.

"Astronomy is not useful when considered at money value," he said. "The same can be said for music, art, history, or any science." He concluded by leaving the audience with the thought of what life would be without these useless things.

Dance Tickets To Sell Thru Friday

Tickets for the Senior Ring Dance are now on sale, and will continue on sale daily from 1 to 5 p. m. in The Commentator office, second floor of Goodwin Hall.

Banquet tickets will not be on sale after Thursday afternoon. Dance tickets and payment for pictures may be made until Friday afternoon at 5 p. m. No tickets will be on sale after that date.

Revised and correct schedules for going through the ring will appear in Thursday and Friday's editions of The Battalion.

The banquet will be held at 6 p. m. Saturday; the dance follows at 8 p. m.

'Rio Rita' Set For Summer

The operetta "Rio Rita," a western melodrama in two acts will be presented as a summer entertainment project by Bill Turner, director of musical activities, June 27 and 28.

Written by Harry Tenny and Joe McCarthy, and a great success when first produced by Ziegfeld, "Rio Rita" features cowboys, Mexicans, Texas Rangers, and cabaret girls, in the colorful setting of the Rio Grande.

Jim, captain of a company of Texas Rangers, is over the Mexican border looking for a bandit. Rita's brother is suspected, and comes between the love they have for each other. "Rio Rita," "Ranger's Chorus," "Moonlight Ballet," "Spanish Shawl," and other familiar songs are sung in the course of the action.

"Rio Rita" will be the fourth summer operetta to be produced by Turner. Last year's production, "The Chocolate Soldier," was a great success. This year's show will feature professional costuming by a New York firm.

Auditions are being held by appointment with Turner in the Music Hall from three to five each evening this week and next week. Rehearsals for both orchestras and cast will begin Tuesday, June 6, at 7:30 p. m. in the Music Hall.

A&M Employees Plan Final Spring Dinner

The A&M Employees Dinner Club will hold its last dinner of the present spring season Thursday, May 18, at 6:45 p. m. in Shina Hall.

The dinner meetings will be discontinued during the Summer months but will begin again in the fall of 1950.



Left an afternoon spot of tea in jolly old England? Or is it something heavier? Anyway, it is a scene from tonight's production of "O Mistress Mine," by the Aggie Players. On the telephone is Mary Eleanor Vaden, on the couch are Wayne Davis and Jeanne Kernodle, and on the ball is Phyllis Arbow. Looking on soulfully are Cay Sullivan and David Haines.

Come Hail or High Water . . .

Aggie Players Open 3-Night Run of 'O Mistress Mine'

By DEAN REED

The Assembly Hall's curtain opens tonight at 8 for the final presentation of the year for the Aggie Players, "O Mistress Mine."

The three-act play will run to night, tomorrow night, and Friday.

Frequently referred to as the "original hard luck group of the campus"—and quite rightly—the Players are ready to give "Mistress" just one more chance.

Only a couple of weeks ago they had polished and perfected the spicy comedy and had readied it

for presentation. Then, only a few hours before curtain time, the leading lady, Jeanne Kernodle, entered the hospital with appendicitis.

Prayers Prevalent
Now, with the appendix gone, director George Dillavou can foresee no possible reason to keep the show from becoming a reality. Unless another—but no, we won't even think of it.

Tickets will be on sale at the door and can be obtained from any of the Players. No scalpers are indulged with the price at 40 per cent.

The play centers around, very naturally, a mistress, portrayed by Mrs. Kernodle. And she has a suit: one Sir John, a member of the British cabinet. Incidentally, the entire cast has developed a pseudo-British accent—yoddy, yoddy, British.

Enter the Villain
There you have a pair of lovers. But no play would be complete without an interference for the twosome. This time he comes in the form of David Haines, cast as a troublesome communitist lit. prof.

Also upon the scene are Jeanne Ostner, who plays Sir John's young and flirtatious wife. Mrs. Ostner is one of the old-timers (but so young yet) of the Players; she was the outstanding in the initial production of the year "R. U. R."

Phyllis Arbow will be cast as the mistress' maid, Mary Eleanor Vaden portrays the secretary of Sir John. Both are February graduates of TSW and have written and had produced their own plays.

Rounding out the cast is Cay Sullivan, who will play authoress Celia Wentworth. Miss Sullivan is in her first season with the Players, having played previously this year in "R. U. R."

Plot Thickens
Sir John (Plutcher), the Minister of Tank Production, is continually ready to give young Michael, son of mistress Olivia Brown, three-years-widowed, a beautiful necklace of ten fingers. Michael is just as determined to break up the affair between the minister and his mother, until he meets love himself.

The play was a popular one on Broadway last season, and has enjoyed productions here and abroad—starring Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontaine, two of the biggest box-office draws in show business.

Caplan President Of Hillel Club

Louis "Cap" Caplan, junior M. E. major from Houston, was elected president of the A&M Hillel Club at a meeting of the club in the cabinet room of the YMCA.

Other officers chosen were Vice president, Martin Ruchofsky, junior business student from Dallas; Secretary-Treasurer, Victor Levy, chemistry major from Dallas; Parliamentarian, Irvin Goldstein, sophomore business major from Rosenberg.

After the election plans were made for a final barbecue supper to be held May 19 at Hensel Park.

Mrs. J. J. Taubenhaus, Hillel Club sponsor, was presented with a gift from the club members for her services to the club in the past year.

'Veep' and Non-Voting Body Added to Senate

By CLAYTON L. SELPH

The office of vice-president was voted in unanimously, officers of TISA were voted seats on the Senate subject to approval of the student body at the opening of school next year and nine non-voting associate seats representing the three under-classes were established at the Student Senate's last official meeting following their annual banquet in Aggie Inn last night.

Two other amendments, one proposing that two of the five senators-at-large be juniors, and another proposing an election com-

mission composed of 20 students, were defeated.

First up for voting was the vice-presidential office, which received the unanimous vote without discussion.

TISA Debate

Main argument preceding the passing of the TISA officer amendment was whether the Senate could legally add members to its body who were not in some way elected by the student body.

Charlie Kirkham, author of the TISA amendment, changed his proposal to read, "with approval of the student body."

Questions concerning how the student body would be informed as to what they were voting on and whether the vote should be taken this year or next were raised in the discussion.

Vote Next Week

Kirkham proposed that an election be held next week, but Bruce Thompson said that he thought the matter was a problem for next

year's Senate and student body.

Thompson's argument gained impetus and next year's returning senators were charged with the responsibility of getting—the amendment to the student body for a vote and then to the academic council for approval.

Junior Senators

The third amendment proposing that two of the senators-at-large be juniors brought on the most heated discussion of the evening. Kirkham, author also of this amendment, addressed the group first, saying that he had proposed the amendment in order to insure that more students would have an opportunity for more than one year's experience on the Senate.

He explained that those senators serving for the second year were better acquainted with Senate procedure and could get more done.

Opposition to the amendment was immediately raised on the basis that sufficient juniors would be elected regardless of whether it was actually stated that certain members should be juniors, or not.

Block Voting

Harry Raney then brought up last fall's Cadet Corps block voting in the senator-at-large race, pointing out that such "machines" politics could be partially broken by giving two juniors a sure cinch at Senate seats.

Raney's comments were backed up in part by other senators who said that in the past, only seniors had been elected to the senator-at-large positions.

When debate subsided, the amendment was defeated by a large majority.

Kirkham then asked for individual senator's opinions on selecting men from each class who would sit in Senate meetings, but who would have no vote.

Non-Voters Proposed

Allen Eubank put Kirkham's suggestion into a motion which proposed that three members from each of the three under-classes be elected by these classes to sit on the Senate without voice or vote.

Discussion followed on whether the men should or should not have a voice. Raney said that meetings for such individuals would be too dull if they had no voice and that they would soon lose interest.

The Senate passed the motion with the "associate members" having no vote or voice, unless asked to speak by regular senators.

Election Body Defeated

Proposal of a student election commission, Kirkham's third amendment, lost after discussion as to the legality of the Senate authorizing a body to regulate class elections.

Most of the senators opposed the amendment on this grounds.

The commission was to be a 20 man group with representatives from each of the four classes, the Senate, and Student Life Committee. It was defeated by a 15-4 vote.

President F. C. Bolton addressed the Senate at their banquet previous to the business meeting and Bonnie Zinn, assistant dean of students, awarded keys to the senators.

Attention, Senior Grads

Senior favorite orders that were placed before April 10 are now available and may be picked up in room 209 in Goodwin between 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. Grady Elms, assistant director of Student Activities, said today.

Those graduating seniors who placed orders for extra graduation invitations and did not pay for them, must pick them up by 5 p. m. Thursday May 4 or they will be sold on a first-come basis.

Take a Break

CLUBS REORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT—What will be the effect on the local Houston A&M Club if "Big H" builds more high schools?

City Superintendent W. E. Moreland recently asked for three more of the schools when he recommended schooling requirements for his city. The local A&M Club is divided into chapters, each deriving its name from the Houston high school from which most of its members were graduated.

The entire organization is headed by a president. If the new schools are added we wonder if the president of the Houston A&M Club will become a chancellor.

Summer Camp Correspondents Needed by Batt

Ten summer camp correspondents are still needed to complete The Battalion's plans for complete coverage of the 1950 ROTC Camp program. Clayton Selph, managing editor, announced this morning.

Correspondents are needed for Field Artillery, Infantry, Engineers, Signal Corps, Chemical Corps, Ordnance, Transportation Corps, ANA, AF Maintenance, and AF Installations.

Juniors interested in reporting the news from their summer camp need not have had newspaper experience. What the Battalion needs is the facts, names and what happened, so members of the Summer staff may write up news from each camp, Selph said.

Camp reporters will be asked to write at least one report weekly. Paper and stamped, addressed envelopes will be furnished by the Battalion, Selph said.

The Batt will be sent free during the summer camp period to A&M students at those camps having correspondents.

Interested students should stop by the Batt office on the second floor of Goodwin Hall this week and leave their name and branch or see Clayton Selph, 4206, Dave Conlett, 8-215, or C. C. Munroe, 12-119.

Special Voting Set by Juniors

Another senior yell leader for next year will be elected by the present Junior Class next Tuesday evening as a result of the disqualification of one of the yell leaders previously elected by the class, Class President Wilman "Pusher" Barnes announced yesterday afternoon.

Filing for the office began this morning in the Student Activities office and will continue until 5 p. m. Monday, May 22.

Qualifications for the senior yell leader post are a 1.25 grade point ratio, academic classification as a junior at the time of filing, and membership in the Cadet Corps.

The top two men in the Tuesday election will appear on the run-off, the Juniors decided in a class vote yesterday afternoon.

Discussion on selecting the head yell leader will be taken up at the Tuesday election, Barnes said.

Location of the election meeting place will be announced later.



Donald E. Jarvis

Jarvis Chosen Valedictorian

Donald E. Jarvis, fifth year architecture major from Fort Worth, was named valedictorian of the Senior Class this morning.

Jarvis, a recent winner of an Achievement Award by the School of Engineering, is president of Psi Beta Phi. Last year he was a cadet lieutenant colonel on the Corps Staff and served as corps adjutant. He was also vice president of his class during his senior year.

A former student senator, he was elected to Who's Who at A&M last year and was the winner of a student aid European trip which he took last summer.

Jarvis was recently paid tribute by Dean of Engineering H. W. Barlow when he was announced as one of the Achievement Award winners.

"Jarvis was selected," Barlow said, "for his brilliant scholarship, his ability as a leader and counselor, his wisdom, his judgement, and his modesty, for his accomplishments, his friendly attitude, and his diversity of interests."

The Fort Worth senior is a member of the class of '49, and has been active in church activities on the campus.

He was the student who designed the new Aggie shoulder patch, adopted for cadet uniforms last year.

A&M's Answer to Broadway—The Aggie Players



Wayne Davis

A British cabinet member gets the A&M treatment.



Mary Eleanor Vaden

Official secretary for Sir John is Miss Vaden.



Jeanne Kernodle

Even an operation couldn't stop her.



Cay Sullivan

The play has an authoress—one Celia Wentworth.



Jeanne Ostner

She'll portray a young and flirtatious wife.



David Haines

He'll play a spoiled, communitist little brat.