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'Col. Joe' Promoted



Lt. Col. Joe E. Davis because Col. Davis yesterday when the retiring assistant commandant received his "eagles" from Col. Haydon L. Boatner, PMS&T and commandant. Col. Davis expects to leave soon for Camp Chaffee, Ark., where he will command the 4020th Infantry Training Regiment. Looking on admiringly are Mrs. Davis, center and son Steadman Davis, lower left.

Ags, VMI Vie In Home Opener

Five Classes Hold Reunions Saturday

By Wayne Davis

This weekend will see five classes of Aggie graduates returning to the campus for their reunions. Present for get-togethers will be the Classes of 1910, '25, '30, '35, and '40. For the 1925 group, it will be the Silver Anniversary.

Arrangements have been made for the reunions by local representatives of each group through class agents, Attendance Chairman W. W. McClendon, and Dick Hervey, President of the Association of Former Students.

While a general program has been planned to cover all groups, three of the classes have planned special events. The 1940 reunion will begin Friday night with a dinner dance at the Maggie Parker Dining Hall in Bryan, beginning at 7. The Class of 1935 will attend a class party and dinner at the same dining room beginning at 3:30 p. m. Saturday, while the Class of 1930 will be entertained by the 1930 Local Committee at the Brazos County A&M Club House after the A&M-VMI game Saturday night.

Reunion headquarters for all classes will be in the main lounge of the Memorial Student Center, and most activities will be centered in the building. Special rooms have been reserved for the separate class dinners and meetings. Registration will begin at 9 Saturday morning.

Programs Prepared

The Former Students Association has prepared programs to be passed out to each returning Aggie as he arrives. The programs, prepared separately for each class, will contain all information returning graduates will need to attend all his Class's ceremonies.

Plans have been made to serve all class dinners buffet-style in the corridors of the second floor of the MSC. After being served, class members will adjourn to their class's designated rooms.

There will be a conducted tour through the Center for all members' wives and families Sunday morning.

Saturday Dance Set By MSC Committee

The Memorial Student Center Dance Committee will sponsor a dance Saturday afternoon for A&M students and VMI Cadets and their dates in the Social Room of the MSC from 3:30 to 5 p. m.

A slight charge will be made for each couple, according to the committee chairman.

Kyle Field Seating Arrangement Set

By BOB HUGHSON

Seating arrangements for the A&M student body for home games on Kyle Field have been adopted from a plan presented by I. E. "Monty" Montgomery to the Student Senate.

Separate ramps will be used for entrance into the stands by the different classes to facilitate entrance. Ramps P and Q will be reserved for seniors of the Cadet Corps only. All cadet juniors, sophomores and freshmen will enter through ramps L, M, N, and O. Non-corps members of the student body may enter through any ramp.

Few Changes

The student seating arrangement for Kyle Field will be similar to that of last year, with only a few minor changes.

The corps senior section will extend one row higher. It will begin on the 50-yard line and extend North to the 14, immediately behind the band and extending from row 13 through row 33. Civilian students will have the area immediately behind the sen-

iors, occupying the top seven rows from the 50 to the 14-yard lines.

In addition, civilian students will have all rows from row 25, including that row, upward and beginning at the 14-yard line around to Ramp M. From Ramp M to the mid-point of the end zone all rows from row 13 to the top are theirs.

Corps lower classmen will sit North of the band and below row 13 from the 35-yard line to the 14-yard line.

North of the 14-yard line cadets may sit up to, and including, row 24, continuing to ramp M, after which they will sit below Row 13 to the mid-point of the end zone, where the Aggie section ends.

Ropes will be placed to designate the senior section and to divide the corps and civilian student areas.

One of the four Senior Companies will be designated to maintain the senior section and to usher at each of the home games.

Prayer To Open VMI Game

The A&M-VMI game Saturday night will be opened with a prayer by Corps Chaplain Curtis Edwards, just before the band plays the national anthem.

Asking guidance in Korea and for the entire world situation, the prayer will be given at 7:51 p. m. The "Star Spangled Banner" will follow by the Aggie Band at 7:53.

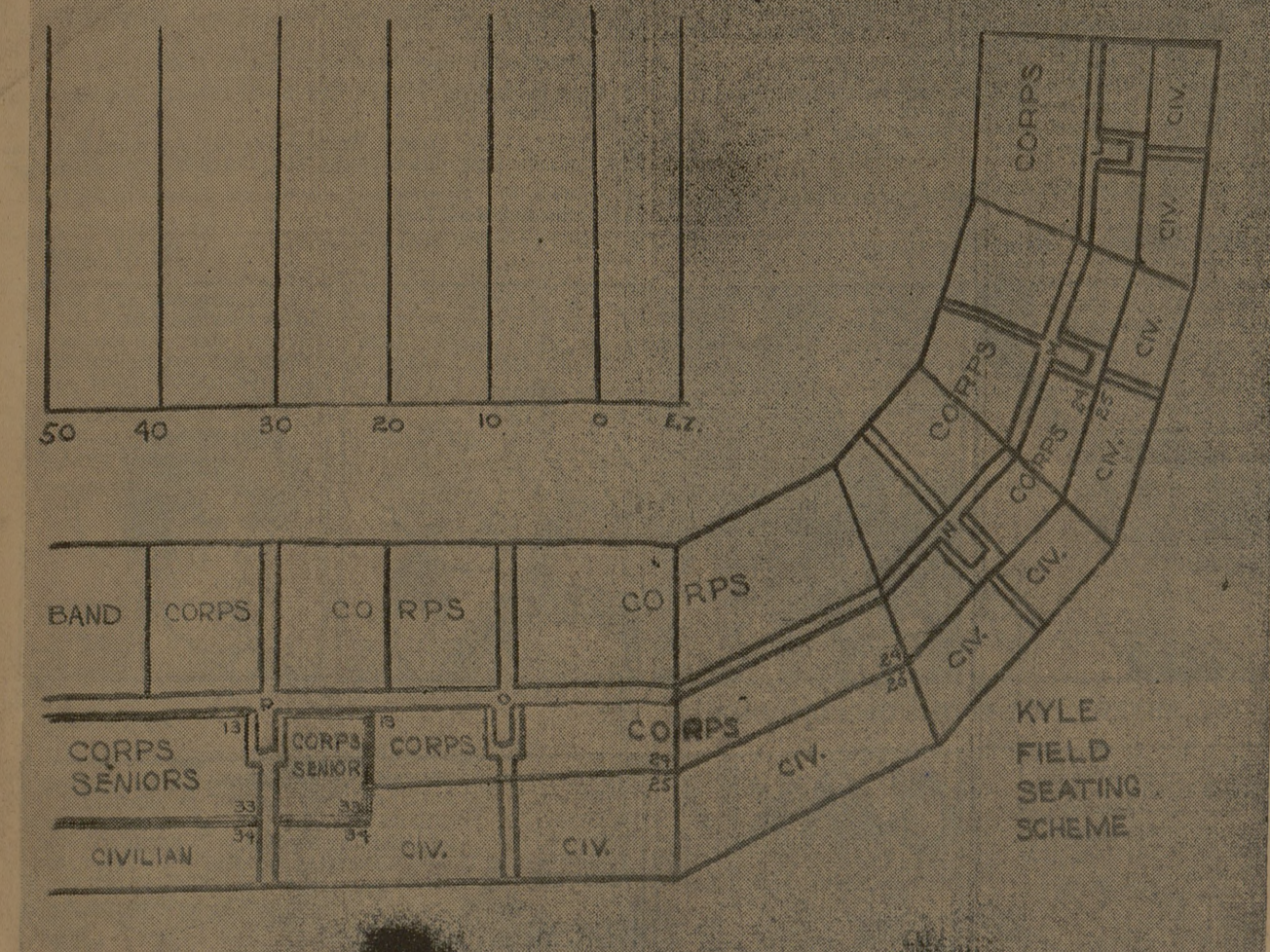
Captains of the opposing teams will meet for the mid-field coin-toss at 7:55. After the flip, the band will play the "Spirit of Aggieland," just before the kickoff at 8.

The audience will be requested to stand for the prayer, the national anthem, and the school song.

Christian Scientists Set Hensel Picnic

A&M Christian Science students are holding their first annual "get-acquainted" picnic tonight at 6 in Hensel Park, area 3.

Arrangements have been made for students needing transportation to meet at the YMCA at 5:30 p. m. to be taken to the picnic grounds.



A permanent seating arrangement for the student body at all Kyle Field games has been worked out by the Student Senate. Areas have been divided between the corps and civilian students by the Senate, with the corps splitting their own area among themselves, by classes. Civilian students, wives and guests may sit—or stand—on row 34 to the top from the 50-yard line to the 14-yard line (the plan above is incorrect in this respect.) Then they may sit down through Row 25 from the top, around the horseshoe to Ramp M, where they will occupy seats down to the walkway. Corps seniors will occupy 1200 roped-off seats from the 50 to the

14, rows 13 through 33. Corps juniors will stand from row 9 north of the band, up to the walkway, stretching to the end zone. Also from the 14-yard line (where the map marks about "20"), corps juniors will occupy rows 13 through 24, again stretching to the end zone. Freshmen will fill the first eight rows, from the band to the end zone's middle. Sophomores are allocated seats behind the freshmen, from the end zone line to the middle of the end zone, from row 9 to row 25 until M Ramp. There they may not occupy seats above the walkway.

By Frank N. Manitzas

Tomorrow night on Kyle Field the Aggie footballers will open their home season against Virginia Military Institute and attempt to win the first home game on Kyle Field since 1946 when the Cadets racked Baylor, 17-0.

Although both teams have won two and lost one, the home team is a big favorite, but the A&M coaching staff isn't selling the VMI and their unusual I-T formation short. The Flying Squadron's only defeat was at the hands of George Washington, 12-15, while the Maroon and White was defeated last week by the third ranking team in the nation, Oklahoma, 34-28.

The Southwest Conference's top rusher Billy Tidwell will be absent from tomorrow night's fray, because of a pulled muscle, but, according to Head Coach Harry Stiteler, "It's nothing serious." Buddy Shaeffer, who showed up well in the latter portions of the Texas Tech game, will probably start in Tidwell's place, Stiteler added.

Starting quarterback will again be Delmar Sikes, but it is expected that Dick Gardemal and Darrow Hooper will also see service. Bruis'n' Bob Smith, who leads the conference in

ground gaining with 332 yards, will start at the fullback spot with Glenn Lippman, who boasts second place in the conference with the highest running average of 7.7 yards for carry, handling the left halfback slot.

Greiner to Captain Team

The only player on the squad with three letters to his credit, Max Greiner, will captain the Aggie eleven. He is the fourth lineman whom Coach Stiteler has appointed team captain in the four weeks of competition.

Last week, Bob Bates captured the Maroon and White and because of his outstanding play against the Oklahoma Sooners, was nominated for the national award of lineman of the week. Bates is an offensive center and a defensive linebacker while Greiner holds down the guard position on both teams.

Head Trainer Bill Dayton has said that everyone with the exception of Tidwell will be able to play tomorrow night and that the team's condition is improving, although a few are still supporting minor bruises.

Aggies Lead SWC

After three games, the Aggies continue to lead the SWC in rushing with a total of 869 yards, 232 yards ahead of second place Arkansas, and are second in total offense to SMU, trailing the Mustangs by 246 yards with 1050. SMU also leads the Cadets in first downs for the initial spot, 53-51.

A&M has a 40 per cent completion average on their passes while their first three opponents have completed 53.4 per cent of the 73 passes attempted. The Farmers have tossed only 35 aeriels. Holding third place with a 37.6 punting average the Aggies have punted 50 per cent less than they had at this time last year.

In total points scored, the Aggies lead with 110 points, 18 more than was scored during the entire season last year. Bruis'n' Bob has accounted for 42 of the points to lead the conference scorers and needs only six points to tie his scoring of last year.

Aggie fans will be watching two games tomorrow, the home game at night, and the results of the TCU-Texas Tech game in Fort Worth. The Horned Frogs are the Aggies next opponent.

—Beat VMI—

YMCA Sponsors Coffee

The YMCA Council is sponsoring a free coffee hour from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m. each morning in the YMCA South Solarium for faculty and students alike, according to Don Hinton, publicity chairman.

Warships Blasting Red Supply Lines

Tokyo, Oct. 13—(P)—Thirty-seven United Nations warships under the flag of the Battleship Missouri poured fire and steel on Red Korea's supply lines from Soviet Siberia today along a 130-mile sea front.

Speculation still persisted that the combined naval big gun and carrier plane strike—the second in two days far up the Korean East coast—might lead to an Allied landing.

There was no report, however, that such an amphibious attack was in progress or in prospect. Military news sources in the Korean fighting were abnormally quiet.

'Mighty Mo' in Action

Shells from the Mighty Mo's 16-inch guns crashed onto coastal targets at more than seven tons a minute. British, Australian, Canadian and other American warships were in the naval force commanded by Vice Admiral Arthur D. Struble in the Mo.

The targets were port and rail lines and anything else that remains to support the Red Korean war effort on routes into Red Korea from China and the Soviet Union.

On the ground fighting fronts, Allied spearheads met increasingly heavy resistance in their push toward Pyongyang, the Red capital near the West Coast. Two Red divisions were reported racing from the Ongjin peninsula to help the defenders of Kumchon, 75 miles southeast of Pyongyang.

The naval pounding extended from Songjin northward beyond the flaming iron and steel port of Chongjin.

The mighty Mo spread death and destruction with 800,000 pounds of shells fired in less than an hour in the opening bombardment at Chongjin Thursday.

The big battlewagon on Friday swung 100 miles south and lobbed its "bricks" into the rail-highway town of Tanchon while destroyers and cruisers shelled Chongjin, Songjin and the nearby town of Sangpo.

Smashes Supply Lines

The operation shattered Communist supply lines far ahead of United Nations ground forces rolling into North Korea along a 130-mile fighting front.

At the west end of that front, in an area that lies 65 to 75 miles southeast of Pyongyang, a fierce and confusing battle raged.

American spearheads within 65 miles of Pyongyang were at grips with Red troops. An estimated 20,000 Communists fought south of them and two Red divisions were reported moving in from the west.

A field dispatch Friday from AP correspondent William J. Waugh sketched these developments:

Three U. S. First Cavalry division columns and British and Australian soldiers moved against Kumchon, about 75 miles southeast of Pnyongyang.

Red Tanks Hit

One column fought slowly up the main highway toward Kumchon, and was four miles south of that base Friday morning after an artillery duel that knocked out two Russian-made tanks.

A Personality Passes



—Photo by Thomas Roedel

Just a Dog, But . . .

'Spot' Was Top Campus Canine

By JOHN WHITMORE

Late Wednesday evening one of A&M's most distinguished personalities was fatally injured in an automobile accident.

A hit and run motorist had hit Spot, the unofficial Aggie mascot.

The large floppy eared Dalmatian was rushed to the Veterinary Hospital immediately after the accident where attendants administered blood transfusions and stimulants.

Five minutes after arriving at the hospital Spot was dead.

An autopsy showed death was caused by a head injury.

Well known all over the campus, there were no strangers to Spot.

Although he made no fast friends, he represented the dog at home. Where he came from and what his exact parentage was, is still a mystery. Like many of the dogs that show up on the campus, Spot just appeared. From there all similarity between Spot and any other canine passer-byes ended.

During the campaign, last year, to pick up all stray dogs, the corps rallied and hid Spot from the city police. Men would take food out of the mess halls to feed him while he was exiled from "his" campus.

With an instinct only known by Spot, he knew where to go for his food and how to get it. On his daily visits to Shisa and Duncan Mess Halls, he would pass from table to table accepting bits of food from seniors as well as freshmen.

His quest for knowledge was almost as famous as his appetite. These were few classes he did not attend. One of his most regularly attended classes was psychology. And not unlike many of the students he fell asleep shortly after entering the room.

Although much to the envy of the students, he had the privilege of leaving the room when he felt like it.

While surveying his domain he would amble from end to end in his own slow time, but visiting all sections daily.

Despite unthinking cruelties by the students, Spot retained his even temper. Even after he was painted or shaved there were no cases reported of his biting anyone.

Football seemed to be one of his favorite sports. During the football season he was a constant visitor to Kyle Field. One occasion he became so engrossed in the practice he fell out of the stands on Kyle Field. Luckily he escaped with only a few minor bruises.

In keeping with the military of the college, Spot assumed the duty of reviewing all parades in the name of the K-9 Corps, making personal inspections of the various units.

Spot is dead and will never greet the students and faculty again on his rounds of the campus—but he will be remembered.

Pistol Team Is Sixth in Nation

A&M's pistol team, coached by M/Sgt. Jack E. Cutsinger, placed sixth in the National Rifle Association Intercollegiate pistol match this past Spring. Two members of the team placed in the top 27 of all competitors in the nation.

A. W. Benefield ranked sixteenth while H. Q. Haile placed twenty-seventh in match for high individual members of the A&M team. The members of the sixth team in the nation are Ted Means, Haile, Benefield, B. P. Lowry, and N. M. Kenny. Aggregate score of the team was 1326, out of a possible 1400 points.

The pistol team for the 1950-51 season met last night and held its organizational meeting. Jack R. Vincent, A Transportation Corps cadet from Amarillo, was elected captain of the team by the 32 cadets attending the meeting. Lowry, B Composite cadet from Fort Worth, was chosen secretary-treasurer for this season.

The team now has both an indoor and outdoor range on which to practice. The indoor range is located next to the Coast Artillery armory, while the outdoor range is under the West side stands of Kyle Field.

T-29's To Bring Air Cadets From Ellington To College

When you see 11 Vultee T-29's fly over the campus in formation Saturday afternoon, don't worry about an invasion from VMI's Air Force.

For in those planes will be 150 student navigators from Ellington Air Force Base, near Houston. They will be guests of the Corps of Cadets at the A&M-VMI game and for the weekend.

The air cadets are expected to arrive at Easterwood Field at approximately 4:30 p. m. After the game Saturday night, they will be guests of honor at a juke box dance in the MSC ballroom.

First-hand information on the rigors of "life at A&M" will be available to the cadets when they spend the night in the corps dormitories. They will eat with the corps Saturday night and also at breakfast Sunday morning.

Leading the cadets will be Cadet Major R. J. McNeil, the ranking



Cadet Major R. J. McNeil

student navigator from Ellington. He was advanced to that position from his captaincy just yesterday.

Aviation cadets are distinguished by the blue epaulettes they wear. Cadet officers and non-coms are indicated by superimposing on the blue of the epaulettes a number of silver bands or strips. Lower-classmen do not wear epaulettes and may not hold cadet rank above that of private.

To aid A&M cadets in spotting the various ranks, here is a list of aviation cadet rank insignias:

- Major—five silver bands, or four silver bands and the silver Air Force officer hat insignia.
- Captain—four silver bands.
- Lieutenant—three silver bands.
- Sergeant-Major—two silver bands and two silver diamonds.
- First Sergeant—two silver bands and one silver diamond.
- Sergeant—two silver bands.
- Corporal—one silver band.
- Private—plain blue epaulette.