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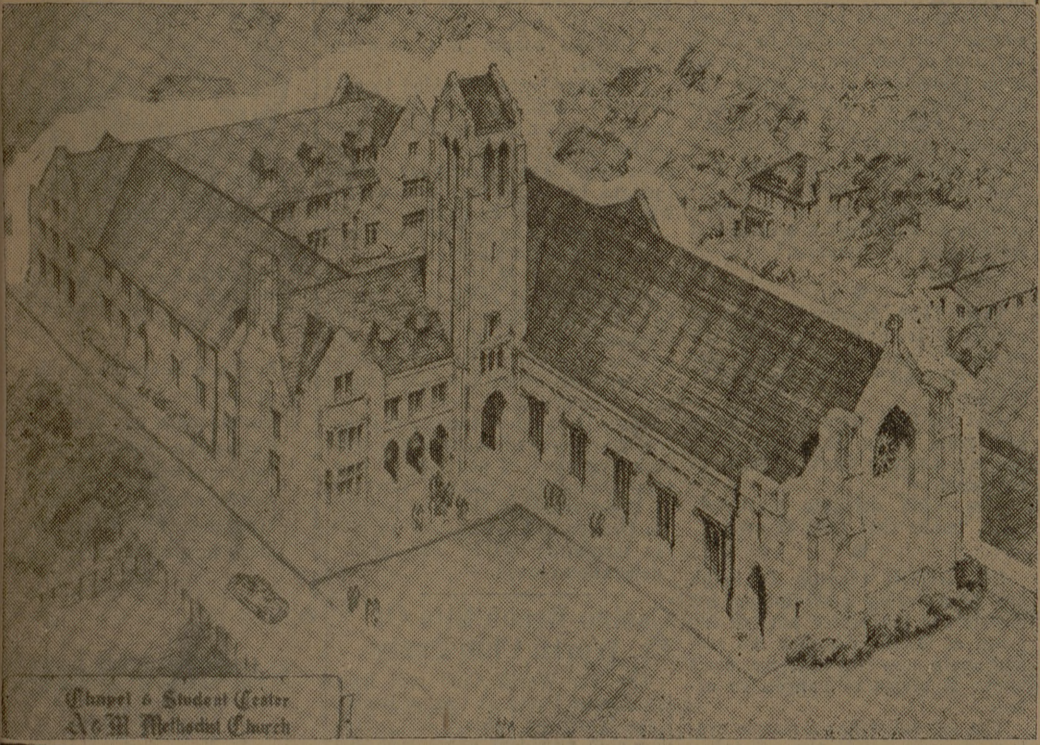
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## Proposed Church



Chapel & Student Center  
A&M Methodist Church

This is the artists conception of the A&M Methodist Church's chapel and Student Center. Cornerstone laying ceremonies for the church building, now nearing completion will be tomorrow at 11 a.m. The ceremony was postponed last month because of the inclement weather.

## American Bull-fighter Seeks Advice of AH Department

By DAVE COSLETT

When you want to find out something about animals—the domestic kind—just check with the AH Department at A&M.

That advice is on good authority, straight from the mouth of "The Kid from Brooklyn." The Kid knows his animals, too. He's been matching wits with the meanest kind made for over 20 years.

The Kid is Sidney Franklin, the only American bull-fighter. He made a quick trip to A&M this past week-end to seek a little advice from James C. Miller,

head of the Animal Husbandry Department.

The advice, of course, wasn't concerned with bull-fighting. Dr. Miller doesn't quite qualify as an expert in that line. But he did tell Franklin quite a bit about select breeding of animals.

The Brooklyn bull-fighter is right now in the process of setting up a ranch outside of San Antonio on which he intends to raise and display the finest breeds of the various domestic animals found in this country.

The ranch, Franklin hopes, would make San Antonio a center for South American visitors interested in American breeds of cattle, poultry, sheep, dogs or anything else you could name.

His interest in the project was aroused by his experience in the bull-fighting profession. Every matador entering an arena, he explains, has to be an expert concerning that hunk of beef-steak with which he hopes to tussle. He must know every habit and peculiarity of the animal.

Franklin first became interested in bull-fighting in 1923. A real native of Brooklyn, he had gone to Mexico City for a vacation. He enjoyed the metropolis so much that he set up a silk-screen reproduction process business that lasted for about a year.

The notion to try bluffing El

Toro came suddenly. According to Franklin he took a two week indoctrination period at bull-fighting then spent four days on a ranch.

This prepared, he entered a Mexico City arena for the first time. "That Providence that looks after drunkards and fools must have been with me," he says looking back on the incident. "It went beautifully."

But the episode convinced him that his training had just begun. He spent his next six months on ranches studying the bulls in their natural surroundings.

He learned the fundamental principle that, when he had once done something with an animal, he could do that same thing with that same animal in one way or another again.

Next came three years of appearing around Mexico. This jaunt taught him that two things held him back in the profession. First was professional jealousy. And second—"I found out I wasn't as good as I thought I was."

So he began a study of animal psychology then returned for four Border fights before the left for Spain in 1929.

"It took months to get into the ring in Seville," he says. And he quickly adds that it was worth all the time. An appearance in that ring spelled acceptance into the bull-fighting world. No half-baked matadors found a place on the Seville program.

This was my million-to-one shot—and I made it." After his Seville success, the Kid had only one big trouble—"No one would believe that I was an American." Accepted as a bull-fighter, Franklin claims that he still is not unquestionably accepted as an American.

Franklin, who some place among the six top bull-fighters in the world, introduced protective padding for horses to Spanish practitioners of the sport. The padding has reduced incidence of injury to horses 100 to one.

Speaking of chances of human injury in the sport, Franklin says that it rarely occurs. "It's not even worth comparison with football." Law requires that all bull-fight arenas have expert surgeons on hand at all times.

The American matador quickly presents any inference that bull-fighting is a cruel sport. "The animal is doing only what he wants to do at all times. He is never goaded or infuriated."

Franklin explains that the secret to good bull-fighting is to take the known qualities of the bull and couple the performance to those qualities. The degree of expertness is measured by how well a matador can judge the action of the bull.

The animal, which relies basely on sound to formulate its attack, does not know fear, Franklin cautions. And the bull is always on the offensive.

The Kid was a guest of Sam Liberto, ManE major from San Antonio during his week-end trip to the campus. After returning to San Antonio Franklin plans to tour the country finding choice breeds of stock. Before he leaves for the bull-fighting season in Spain, the Kid intends to take a lecture tour through most of the states.

Apparently Franklin doesn't plan to give up bull-fighting very soon. Speaking about his age, the greying matador says, "I've been 29 as long as Jack Benny has been 39." He will admit, though, that he's a lot older—especially in wisdom—than he was when he first entered that ring in Mexico City.

## Gloom Driving Kids Invade MSC for Birthday Singing

Gloom was transformed into good spirit yesterday in the MSC.

Students, profs, visitors—all were lounging comfortably, but with looks on their faces that would make a clown cry. Then entered 50 cheerful faces, accompanied by 50 chattering voices and 50 pairs of eager, glancing eyes.

The morning class from the Wee Aggiekind Kindergarten had arrived. They were there simply to wish two of their classmates "happy birthdays."

Soon the mood created by the waist-high brigade spread over the MSC rooms, just as did the children. The gay group of pre-school Kiddie Kadettes then started singing—"The Marines' Hymn," "Spirit of Aggieiland," and, for their own purposes, "Happy Birthday."

The transformation was accomplished.

## Vote of Confidence Is Given Stiteler By Football Team

A&M's football team last night expressed keen regret that Harry Stiteler had resigned as Aggie football coach and gave its former mentor a parting "vote of confidence."

After the coach resigned Monday from a post he had held over three years, the team asked a public acknowledgment of their respect and faith for "Harry."

"Regardless of what the papers may say," said W. T. Rush, Walter Hill, and Bob Smith, who were spokesmen for the squad, "we believe that whatever happened to Mr. Stiteler was a personal matter, and it should have remained that."

"Because of Harry"

"A lot of us boys came to A&M in 1948, not because A&M had won its football games, but simply because of Harry Stiteler and his character. He has never ceased to set us that same example in the years we have played and worked for him."

The 1948 freshman team now comprises a large portion of the 1951 football squad. Prior to Stiteler's resignation, A&M was considered one of the top Southwest Conference teams.

"Although we would have liked to have Mr. Stiteler coach us this fall," they said, "he can't, so we will play the best football this fall we possibly can. We will certainly play to win."

"We have only one wish and motive in mind now—to let other people know that we have never forgotten Mr. Stiteler and his motives or character."

## RCA Scientist Will Address Science Meet

Noted scientists from the Radio Corporation of America and from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory will address general sessions of the regional meeting for Eastern Texas, Texas Academy of Science, to be held here April 6-7.

Dr. Liane B. Russell of Oak Ridge, will give her talk on "Radiation as a Tool in Mammalian Embryology," at a dinner for the senior academy.

Dr. Raymond I. Miller of the RCA, whose film and address, "The Thinnest Section," will show how the electron microscope is used in biological work. The other RCA scientist, Dr. Cyril N. Hoyer, will explain electronic computing instruments.

Dr. C. C. Doak, head of the Biology Department is president of the TAS and W. Armstrong Price of the Oceanography Department is general chairman of the meeting.

Dr. Miller, Dr. Russell and Dr. Hoyer are among a list of distinguished scientists who will take part in the meeting, which is a part of the Arts and Sciences Week at the college.

## AF Plans Rotation Of Overseas Men

Headquarters, United States Air Force, is planning to increase the flow of Air Force personnel to the Far East in order to resume rotation of Far East Air Force personnel to the United States in May 1951.

These replacements will maintain the combat strength of the Far Eastern Air Force at its present level.

Present plan calls for return during May of personnel previously scheduled for rotation in July 1950. A normal tour of duty in Japan is 30 months and varies throughout the rest of the Far Eastern Air Force.

Far Eastern Air Force will rotate personnel, exclusive of combat crews, in order of length of foreign service on current tour. Personnel on combat crews are and the United States, in the specialty fields required to provide U. S. training establishments as newly-activated units with a valuable leavening of individuals with recent will continue to be handled as a separate project.

Combat experienced crew personnel are presently being returned to

## Summer School Corps Set-Up for Freshmen

There will be a Corps of Cadets for freshmen taking military Science this summer, W. L. Penberthy, dean of men, announced this morning.

This announcement came a week after the college decided to offer one semester credit for the first semester basic Military or Air Science during the two summer sessions.

Lt. Col. M. P. Bowden, who will be the commandant during the summer period, is now working out details as to the organization of the units and the assignment of cadet officers for the units.

"It is to be emphasized that the military traditions and high standards heretofore expected," Colonel Bowden says, "of the Corps of Cadets during the regular session will be demanded of this group during the summer."

Maintain Standards

"Only in this way," he continued, "can we maintain the national reputation and obligations of the Corps."

The plans now set out by the Military Department call for first year basic Military and Air Science to be taught. Only by taking this course for the entire summer session the new freshmen will get the one semester credit.

The summer cadets will attend a one hour drill period on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday afternoons, a two-hour drill period on Fridays, and three hours of classroom instruction per week.

This drill was set up, Colonel

Bowden explained, to assist the cadets in attaining the military proficiency needed for them to take their place in the Corps of Cadets next Fall.

Determination of just what course of Military and Air Science which will be offered will be determined by the enrollment in June.

However the Military Department is planning to offer MS 121 and AS 141 to all incoming freshmen. It is also possible A MS 122 and AS 142 will be offered to a limited group.

Keep Up

Actual selection of what course the men will take will be determined by the desirability of keeping the phase of the student's military Science courses and their academic courses.

Consideration must also be given Dean Penberthy pointed out, to maintain the military traditions of

the Corps of Cadets and to keep the extra-curricular activities of the incoming student in phase and coordinated with their academic and ROTC instruction.

Under the proposed set up, the two hour drill on Fridays will be devoted initially to individual instruction, but in the latter part of the summer military ceremonies will be held.

The offering of the regular ROTC program will provide an opportunity for this year's high school graduate to take advantage of this summer to accelerate entrance into their college careers.

"This," Colonel Bowden says, "is especially desirable during the current national emergency in which there is so much uncertainty as to the ability of many young men to complete their college education before being called into service."

Draft Question

As of this morning the Military Department has not been able to determine just what status the newly-enrolled Summer School cadets will have during the summer with the draft boards.

It is believed that their early entrance into military training will probably be concrete evidence of their desire to obtain that military training which fits them to be officers and thus carry out the spirit of Selective Service for ROTC cadets, which provides deferments to ROTC students entirely on the basis of their future use as officers of the Armed Forces.



## 'Bones' to Be Head Coach —Gallagher

We're off to the races! Speculation over the successor to Harry Stiteler as A&M's head football coach has begun with a bang. Ex-students have started pouring in suggestions and everyone has a favorite for the mentor spot.

Jack Gallagher, sports columnist of The Houston Post, got the jump on other state writers this morning when he predicted Barlow "Bones" Irvin would be named.

Gallagher wrote that confirmation of Irvin's appointment will be made next week when D. W. Williams, chairman of the Athletic Council, returns from a trip to New Zealand.

College officials reaffirmed today a previous statement that no action could be initiated until Williams returns, probably Sunday. Then the search begins.

Gallagher's candidate, Irvin, is athletic director for A&M. He was out of town last night and no comment has been received from him today.

## High School Graduates May Pick Army School

All men who have completed high school may select any of 23 Army Technical Schools before enlistment and if the application is approved by the school, the enlistee is guaranteed assignment to that school after completing basic training. This is available only to volunteers.

## Richardson Named New President of Council

New officers of the College Station Recreation Council and new board of director members were elected at the regular monthly meeting yesterday.

A budget request was presented at the meeting held in C. G. "Spike" White's office in Goodwin Hall. White is retiring president.

New Officers

New officers are L. S. Richardson, president; W. M. Dowell, vice-president; Mrs. J. D. Lindsey, treasurer; and Mrs. Jack Miller, secretary. Retiring officers are White; Gordon Gay, vice-president; Mrs. O. K. Smith, treasurer; and Tad Moses, secretary.

The officers will serve one year terms, and the new board of director members will serve until 1954, Richardson added. New board of director members are Ralph H. Rogers, Kiwanis Club; Dr. George Potter, Rotary Club; W. A. Boney, Lion's Club; Mrs. J. R. Couch, Mothers and Dads' Club; and Marion Pugh, Chamber of Commerce.

At Large

Mrs. Norman Anderson was elected director at large for one year to fill the place of Homer Adams. Mrs. Walter Delaplaine was

## Officers Return From ORC School

Capt. Freddie A. Wolters, and 1st Lt. Emmett Trant, Jr., Reserve officers from College Station, have returned from a one week Armed Forces school at Ft. Knox, Ky. Capt. M. B. Findlay, ORC Unit instructor, announced today.

Captain Wolters is a student from College Station majoring in Ag. Ed., and Lieut. Trant, from Bryan, is majoring in Arch.

Captain Wolters and Lieutenant Trant are battery commanders of Service and "C" batteries, respectively, of the Reserve 325th Armored Field Artillery Battalion located in the Bryan-College Station area.

Captain Findlay stated the two officers were selected to represent their battalion to attend school at Ft. Knox along with 50 other officers from the Reserve 22nd Armored Division, of which the local battalion is a part.

## Saddle and Sirloin Sponsors Contest

"The Fertility Contribution of Livestock" is the topic for the 1951 Medal Essay Contest sponsored by the Saddle and Sirloin Club of the Union Stock Yards, Chicago.

The contest is offered by the A&M branch of the club to all students enrolled in the school of agriculture.

Suitable prizes will be offered for the top three essays submitted at A&M, and all essays showing promise will be entered in the national contest.

The object of the contest is to promote the livestock industry said John Moffitt, faculty advisor for the contest.

## Great Issues Class to Hear Foreign Expert

William L. Shirer, noted radio commentator and expert on foreign affairs will speak at the Great Issues lecture which will be held in the MSC ballroom March 29 at 8 p. m. His topic will be "Our struggle for Survival."

Born in Chicago in 1904, Shirer attended Coe College at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Upon graduating, he immediately worked his way abroad on a cattle boat for the summer. He stayed fifteen years.

From 1925 to 1932 he was European correspondent for the Chicago Tribune, and in 1934 became chief of the Berlin Bureau for Universal News Service. During the next seven years he compiled his notes which were later to become the best-selling book Berlin Diary.

For his work as a commentator, Shirer received one of radio's highest honors, the George Foster Peabody award for "outstanding interpretation of the news." He also received the Wendell Wilkie One World Award for outstanding achievements in journalism.

Last year Aggies John Whitmore and Jerry Zuber took advantage of the program. Whitmore did news work with the San Antonio Express and Zuber did advertising work with the Beaumont Enterprise.

## Only Employee 20 Years Ago

## Howard Berry Responsible For A&M's Photo Service

From a job which required only one man in 1931, photographic service at A&M has expanded until a staff of seven persons are now employed. And this expansion has resulted from to efforts of that one man employed 20 years ago.

Howard Berry, director of the

Visual Aids Laboratory, was graduated from Mississippi State College with a degree in entomology.

But his interest in photography started long before he came to A&M. He took pictures of campus scenes at Mississippi State and sold them to other students to help pay his expenses through school.

He came to A&M when he heard that the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station was looking for a photographer with a college background.

As the Experiment Station's photographer, Berry's job consisted only of photography. He took pictures and developed and printed them.

About five years after he came on the job, Berry began doing photographic work for other parts of the college in addition to the Experiment Station work.

As the laboratory increased its service, the staff was increased. It was moved in 1947 from the Experiment Station building to its present location in the basement of the Administration Building and placed under the supervision of the college.

When the System was set up in 1948, the laboratory became a System service. However, its services are confined primarily to

the headquarters at College Station.

Now, in addition to regular photography, the laboratory's services include lithographic and photostat work, ozalid printing, illustrating and projection services.

Berry also teaches a course in audio-visual methods of teaching for the Department of Education and Psychology.

Last year, the laboratory printed 49,618 pictures from 11,510 photographic negatives. These pictures were used to illustrate annual reports, technical and popular bulletins, student publications and exhibits of A&M at the State Fair.

It also developed 1,576 sheets of film and 285 film packs that were taken by persons not on the laboratory staff.

The laboratory turned out 8,432 photostats, 9,178 ozalid prints and 1,813 offset plates—in addition to numerous hand illustrations, projection services and projector repair work.

In addition to Berry, the present staff members are Charles Gebauer, technician; Eugene Sutphen, lithographer; Don Thurmond, photographer; Mrs. Alice Brocksmith, laboratory assistant; Miss Martha Jane Konecny, illustrator, and Mrs. Jerry Rutledge, secretary.

## WTAW Featured In March Issue of The Commentator

The March issue of the Commentator is off the press and being mailed to subscribers.

Aggieiland's voice of culture, as usual, ranges from the ridiculous to the sublime, the humorous to the more serious side.

"A & M's One and Only WTAW" is featured in the new issue. WTAW had its start through the efforts of the operators of "ham station" 5YA, the forerunner of WTAW.

"Ham station" 5YA broadcast the first football game ever broadcast in the world. The broadcast was received in a Waco newspaper office in November, 1922. The game was between—that's right—Texas A&M and Texas University. A&M

won the game by one touchdown, 14-7.

Fish Blotto, of many years ago, and the joke page furnish the usual humor for the magazine while "The O. D., His Brother's Keeper" and "Spring House-cleaning" furnish laughs aplenty.

"Pretty People," featuring Miss Lynne Lovingood, will supply a favorable change of scenery. "Korean Monologue," "Easter Sunday," "A Campus Meditation" and "Writers are Made, Not Born" bring up the more serious side.

The Commentator takes a look at the 1951 Baseball squad in this issue. Leading prospects and predictions as well as positions and data on the players furnish a complete picture of the outlook for the 1951 baseball season.



Howard Berry