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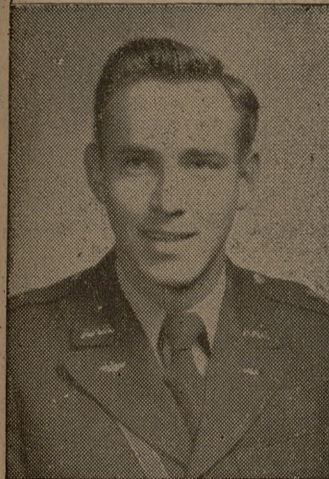
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'H. M. S. Pinafore' Star Performers



Don Forney

Forney will sing the part of Sir Joseph Porter, admiral of the Queen's Navy, in "H. M. S. Pinafore" during the two-night showing July 10, 11.



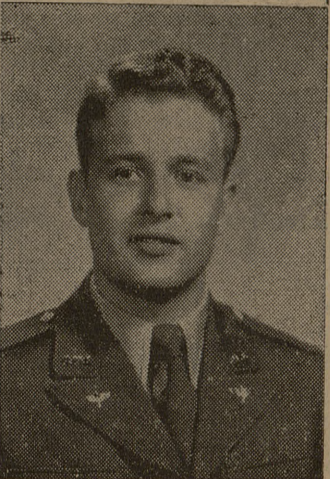
Glenda Brown

Miss Brown, a senior at Conroe High School, will play the part of Hebe in "H. M. S. Pinafore." The operetta is scheduled for The Grove Tuesday and Wednesday nights.



Jean Marie Edge

Miss Edge will play the part of Buttercup in the Summer operetta production of "H. M. S. Pinafore." She is a speech and radio major at Texas University.



Robert Langford

Langford has been cast in the part of Dick Deadeye in this Summer's operetta production, "H. M. S. Pinafore." He is an Ag. Ed. senior from Waco.

Opens for Two Nights at Grove July 10

Summer Musical Production Features Gilbert-Sullivan's 'H. M. S. Pinafore'

By WILLIAM DICKENS
Battalion Feature Editor

"H. M. S. Pinafore," famous Gilbert and Sullivan comic operetta, will set sail with a well manned crew for two performances next Tuesday and Wednesday nights at The Grove.

This summer's musical production is under the direction of Bill Turner, director of musical activities, and C. K. Esten of the English department. Turner is the director of the music and Esten is handling the dramatic part of the musical.

Male and female leads for the production have been awarded to Sue Shannon and Tommy Butler, who will play the character parts of Josephine and Ralph Rackstraw, respectively.

The cast in supporting roles consists of La Rue Brown as Cousin Hebe, Jean Marie Edge as Buttercup, Harry Gooding as Captain Corcoran, Don Forney as Sir Joseph Porter, and Robert Langford as Dick Deadeye.

The role of Boatswain's Mate and Carpenter's Mate have been

awarded to Dick Adams and Ben Blankenship, respectively.

M. C. "Pete" Carson is undertaking the duties of stage production manager for the operetta. Assisting Carson are Alice Burke, Elizabeth Cooper, Mary Vaden, and Don Damke.

In "H. M. S. Pinafore," first produced in 1878, Gilbert was mildly satirizing a peculiarly British institution, the Royal Navy, with sideswipes at English politics and the English caste system.

In typically Gilbertian fashion, the characters act in an outrageously improbable manner with perfect earnestness, with results that make us, like the Victorians, howl with laughter. They express their emotions in melodies that are lovely in themselves and that subtly and cleverly underline the wit and humor of the words.

His Majesty's ship, "Pinafore," is a British man o'war lying in the harbor of the great naval base of Portsmouth, England. The ship is commanded by Captain Corcoran, who is, like

all British naval officers of that time, a member of the upper classes—a "patrician."

Corcoran's lovely daughter, Josephine, is beloved by a member of the crew, Ralph Rackstraw, a humble but handsome sailor. Josephine is in love with him, but realizes that they are separated by an impassable social abyss.

Josephine is being courted by Sir Joseph Porter, a self-made man who has risen to be First Lord of the Admiralty, head of the British Navy, which is indeed a lofty office, but hardly so lofty as Sir Joseph's opinion of himself.

Much of the humor of the operetta derives from the fact that Sir Joseph seriously considers himself far above Josephine in station, whereas in Victorian England he would be regarded—being from the lower classes—as very distinctly her social inferior.

With his female relations, Sir Joseph pays a visit to the Pinafore to woo Josephine. He makes no headway in his suit, but by his fatuous preaching of the doctrine of equality of all men "love levels all ranks"—he unknowingly convinces Josephine that she can respond to Ralph's love, and heartless Ralph to love.

The lovers are stealing ashore to be married when they are discovered and Ralph is put into the dungeon. The day is saved by the sudden revelation of Buttercup, a seller of candy and sweets to the crew, that Ralph is really the Captain.

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Gen. Ridgeway Orders Safety For Red Envoys

Tokyo, July 6—(AP)—Allied war planes today were ordered to keep away from the highway down which Communist negotiators will travel for cease-fire preliminary talks in Kaesong.

Lt. Gen. O. P. Weyland, Far East air forces commander, issued the order a few hours after opposing commanders completed arrangements by radio for a Sunday meeting—and guaranteed safe conduct to the emissaries.

The Communist delegation leaves Pyongyang, the Red Korean capital, at 5 a. m. Saturday (2 p. m. EST, today).

The Communist convoy will fly white flags as it travels down the bomb-pocked Pyongyang-Sariwon-Namchongjom highway to Kaesong, three miles south of Parallel 38.

General Weyland ordered his war planes to make no attacks along the route after 4 a. m. Saturday (1 p. m. EST Friday).

The order carried out the pledge of safe conduct made earlier in the day by Gen. Matthew B. Ridgeway, U. N. commander. And it banned allied bombers from one of their favorite targets. The highway is a main Red supply artery to the Western front.

It has been under almost constant attack for months. Bombs have cratered it badly. And it is liberally seeded with tetrahedrons—sharp, four-pointed cast iron devices for puncturing tires.

No Attacks for Five Miles

Bombers and fighters also were ordered to make no attacks within a five mile radius of Kaesong once the Red delegation reaches it. This carried out another pledge Ridgeway made when he completed final arrangements for a meeting of three U. N. officers with three Red emissaries in the no-man's-land city.

The two delegations meet Sunday to arrange for a cease-fire session scheduled to start in Kaesong Tuesday.

Miss 'Brazos Valley'



Miss Betty Jo Birdwell, pretty 22 year-old Sam Houston State College co-ed, receives first place award in the annual July 4 Miss Brazos Valley Beauty Contest from Miss Gwen Wilson.

Training at Ft. Eustis, Va.

By DON HEGI
TC Camp Correspondent

Fort Eustis, Va., July 2 (Delayed)—Forty-three Transportation Seniors are getting a good taste of Army life as they enter into their second week of training in Summer camp at Fort Eustis, Va. Long hard hours of training are making the Aggies appreciate the life at A&M.

The first two weeks will be devoted to basic training, such as infantry tactics, drill, marksmanship, and leadership. In the last four weeks the men will have more specialized training in all Transportation work.

Harold Bragg, Ralph Burgess, Bip Bieppert, Hugh Winn, John Woodhull, Charles Davis, Carol

Cato, Bill Bradley, Jimmy Barry, Ken Baker, Lynn Bennet, and Lewis Bruecher got off to a good start by drawing KP their first week.

A&M makes up the first platoon of E Company, which also includes two platoons of Tennessee and one platoon of Washington and Jefferson cadets. From Tuesday, June 26, through Tuesday, July 3, E Company will go on a bivouac. Tents, fox holes, patrols, and general field work will be stressed.

Jack Vincent will be cadet C. O. of E Company while on the bivouac. Carol Miller will be the cadet platoon leader and Brad Mitchell is to be cadet platoon sergeant of the first platoon.

Gaylon Jones, Ford Madison, Joe Murphy, "Boon" Gower, James

Robbins, Howard Nelson, Don Nelson, Don Graves, Russel Street, and Lynn Bennet are under the strain of being away from their wives and also from just being at camp.

Fort Eustis is located in a very historic sector of the United States. Many places will be especially remembered for their importance during the Revolutionary War. Yorktown, Williamsburg, and Jamestown are not more than 30 miles away.

One day of training was devoted to inspecting the third Port Area of Fort Eustis and a cruise on a FS vessel on the James River.

Most of the Aggies spent their first weekend at Virginia Beach.

Chem Corps Cadets Show Yankees 'Southern' Spirit

By CHARLES A. McNEILL
Chem Corps Camp Correspondent

Army Chemical Center, Md., July 2 (Delayed)—Just a little news from the Chemical Corps boys up here in Maryland. The name of this place was changed a few months ago from Edgewood Arsenal to the Army Chemical Center. That makes this group of Aggies the first and last to be at the Chemical Center, since next Summer's troops will go to camp in Alabama.

Sixteen Aggies make up our contingent here, a considerably bit less than usual. Last year they numbered approximately 30. This is by far the largest chemical corps ROTC camp ever to be held. Two hundred and fifty-eight cadets are here. That, I must admit, is quite a record for this small branch of the army.

We live in huts—small, square tar-papered buildings. Six in each hut.

From the minute the Aggies hit this place, the camp has heard first-hand from Texas A&M—loud and hard. That first minute occurred the Saturday night of the first day of camp. Six wild Aggies arrived "feeling good" which stirred the place considerably.

Monday morning, actually the beginning day of camp activities, found a rip-roaring Aggie delegation marching down the street between the damnyankee's huts singing cadence behind a confederate flag on a broom guidon staff. From then on we've been in on everything, including beating the New Yorkers in our first intra-mural softball game 18 to 10.

Just to make things cozy, we spelled out a big TAMC in the street in front of our huts with white pebbles, raising a confederate flag above our huts. This evening, with due and formal retreat formation, we sang "Dixie."

By gosh, if anyone tells you guys—or youse guys, as we've heard so much up here—that army life is great, kindly tell him that he's a liar. It hasn't been too rough this past week, but that first one was tough. No kidding!

To give you an idea of what goes on here:

We cheerfully jump madly out of our sacks at the late hour of 5:50 a. m., wake ourselves up, dress, and run out to the parade grounds by 5:59. Then with eager hearts (and unwilling bodies) we go through 15 minutes of physical training. Then back we march to our platoon area for announcements.

Chow call is at 6:30 a. m. From 7 to 7:25 we have certain areas of the camp to police. We clean up our huts from 7:25 to 7:40, listen to more announcements at 7:40 and at 8 we begin classes which last until 12 noon.

Then it's classes again in the afternoon for four more hours. Retreat is held on the parade grounds at 5:20 and evening chow is at 5:35 or 6:05, depending on which meal section we're in. After that, the time is our own, and with all there is to do, we don't get much of it.

So far, we Aggies have journeyed far and wide—to Baltimore, New York City, Washington, Philadelphia, over to New Jersey, and many other places.

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He Rode the Range in an Airplane

Former Grid Star Gets AF Job at Haiti

A Texan who once rode the range in a private plane, Maj. Lloyd A. Freeman of Trinity will be rounding up French grammar for the next six months before reporting for duty as deputy chief of the United States Air Force Mission to Haiti.

Major Freeman doesn't think he'll have to pull leather to stick with his horse at the language school because he already has a speaking knowledge of Spanish acquired during several years' residence in El Paso, where he was connected with ranching interests. He used a private plane to get around the ranch.

A&M Graduate

The son of Mrs. Nellie Freeman of Trinity, Major Freeman attended A&M where he was a member of the T Club. He was an end on the 1935 Texas A&M football team under the tutelage of Mattie Bell, and played the following two years under Coach Homer Norton.

A track man whose specialty was the 880, Major Freeman ran the mile against Glenn Cunningham in the 1936 Texas Relays. To the best of his recollection, Cunningham's time was 4:09; Freeman's 4:14.

Major Freeman received his degree in agricultural engineering in 1937.

Major Freeman, who has served as chief of Flight Operations at McClellan, California's largest Air Force installation, since April, 1949, will report to the U. S. Army Language School at Monterey, Calif., July 9th to undergo instruction in French before leaving for his new assignment in Haiti.

Flew Navy PBY

One of the comparatively few Air Force pilots who is checked out in a Navy PBY amphibious air-

craft, Major Freeman loves that ship. He'd rather fly a PBY than any other type of plane.

"It's more fun," he declares, "it's like driving a big, old speedboat when you hit the water."

As engineering officer for the 10th Rescue Squadron of the USAF Air Sea Rescue Service in Alaska, Major Freeman is a veteran of ski and float plane mercy missions.

"I made seven open-sea pickups in Navy PBYs," Major Freeman recalls. "We were the only squadron that would make open-set landings in Alaskan waters. By far the toughest landing I ever made was in 7 1/2 foot swells to rescue two

navy boys who'd drifted out in a small boat from a ship anchored off the island of Kodiak. Boy, were they glad to see us!"

It was during his Alaskan tour of duty that Major Freeman conceived and developed the idea of outside litter carriers on helicopters.

He is gratified to see this personal contribution to aviation pay off in the number of lives saved through its extensive use in the rescue of wounded GIs in Korea.

Designed Litter Carriers

Major Freeman designed and helped build the first set of heli-

copters litter carriers to aid in transporting the sick and injured from Alaska's sparsely settled interior to coastal towns where medical aid could be obtained. An aircraft corporation which manufactures helicopters adapted Major Freeman's design for mass production.

The original litters developed by Major Freeman were aluminum alloy frames welded together and bolted to the helicopter frame. The litters were rigid wire baskets covered with aluminum and plexiglass to protect the patients and keep them warm. The interior of each basket was lined with an electric blanket. Carriers similar in design, with such improvements as ventilators, are now in use in Korea.

Built C-45 Skis

Major Freeman also designed and built the first pair of landing skis used on the C-45 cargo planes and the L-5 liaison and observation aircraft operated by the Air Force in Alaska.

A member of the ROTC cavalry unit at A&M, Major Freeman was called to active duty as a second Lt. March 1, 1941. He was assigned to the Air Force and served two and one-half years at Williams Air Force Base at San Antonio as maintenance officer of the headquarters squadron of the Flying Training Command.

He was assigned to Alaska in April, 1946, and was sent to McClellan Air Force Base in October, 1948, as assistant chief of Flight Operations. He became chief in April, 1949.

Major Freeman is married to the former Trudie MacQuinn of Sacramento, Calif. They have two children, Deirdre, 14 months, and Cynthia, born June 10, 1951. Their home is at 3144 Ben All Avenue, North Sacramento, Calif.



Major Lloyd A. Freeman
Former A&M athlete assigned to Haiti post.

Forty-Seven Aggies Report at Ft. Lee

By BOB HUGHSON
QMC Camp Correspondent

Fort Lee, Va., July 1 (Delayed)—Forty-seven Aggie Quartermaster cadets have reported to Fort Lee for the six weeks ROTC Summer camp.

The main body of the group arrived Saturday, June 16 and began processing that day and Sunday the 17. The remainder of the QMC troops, all members of the Aggie NCAA baseball play-off team, arrived the following Thursday.

The Aggies are a part of the 201 man complement of Co. B. The company is formed of A&M, the University of Houston, Texas University, Oklahoma, Texas University of Arizona, and the University of Minnesota.

Co. B has placed second as the best company for two weeks—missing first by only a few tenths of a point both times. The company is mixed with no certain school in a platoon.

The ROTC camp at Ft. Lee is placed between the QM Replacement Training Center, to the West, training members of selective service "volunteers," and to the East

lies the WAC area. This section is very much off limits for the male personnel of the camp. And, I might add, travel around the post is very complicated after taps.

Training is conducted from 5 a. m. until 5 p. m. with evening mess at 5:30.

Tours to Richmond and Williamsburg have been offered to the cadets on the last two Sundays, and the whole camp will adjourn to Virginia Beach, Va. next Friday afternoon for a little recreation.

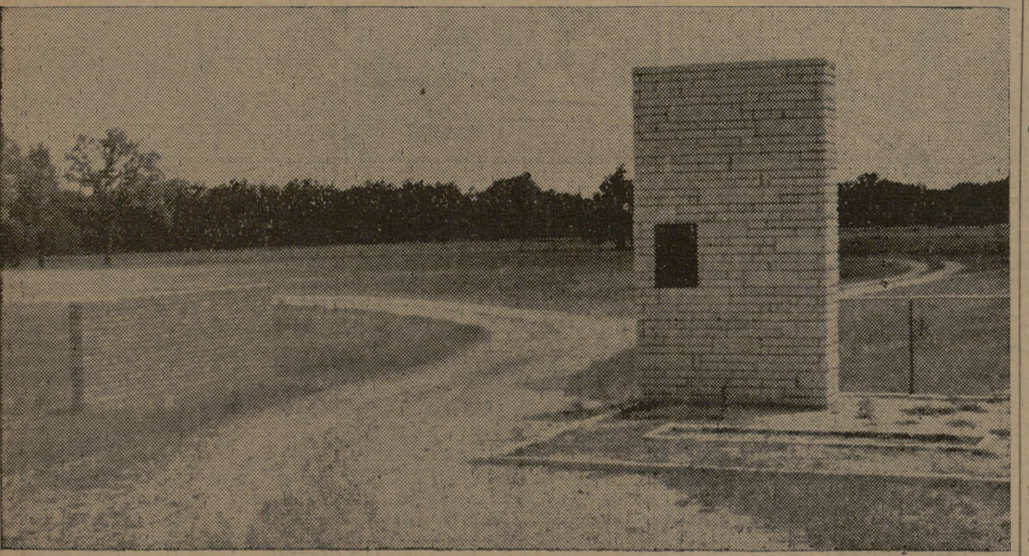
The cadets were also given Wednesday, July 4, off.

Each cadet has, is, or will stand his share of KP and guard duty at least once before the camp is over and many of us will do the honors twice.

Your correspondent is fighting a Virginia Summer cold from a session of guard in a down-pour last Friday night from 3:30 to 5:30 a. m.

Many of the cadets have visited Washington, D. C., New York City, and other points of interests during the weekends.

There are about 2,000 cadets in the camp representing 34 states.



College Station's cemetery now boasts a new and modern entrance with this structure which was completed recently. The City of College

Station and local residents financed and built the entrance.

At the Grove This Weekend

Friday, July 6, Dancing—Music by Aggieldand Combo—8 p. m.

Sat., July 7, Square Dancing—8 p. m.

Sun., July 8, Skating—8 p. m.

Mon., July 9, No Movie Scheduled (Dress Rehearsal for "H. M. S. Pinafore.")