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Loading Area

A hauling crew is shown in top center bringing a log to the waiting trucks at the loading area. These aerial photos were taken by Battalion Editor Johnny Johnson in the Bryan Civil Air Patrol's plane, piloted by Ward Boyce, '59. The plane was furnished by the Bryan squadron free for The Battalion's use.

Bonfire Nears Finish; Blaze Set Tomorrow

Stacking Remains; Rain Again Falls

By BILL HICKLIN
Battalion News Editor

The 1959 A&M Bonfire rode toward completion yesterday—despite a perennial appearance from Mother Nature. Rain began falling shortly before dawn yesterday as Aggies invaded cutting and stacking areas to wind up final preparations for the annual blaze.

Joe Leeper, Bonfire head, said a full stacking schedule was docketed for Monday night with double and possibly triple stacking to continue through today and Wednesday.

The massive blaze will get the torch at 8 p. m. Wednesday at the Yell Practice prior to the A&M-University of Texas grid classic.

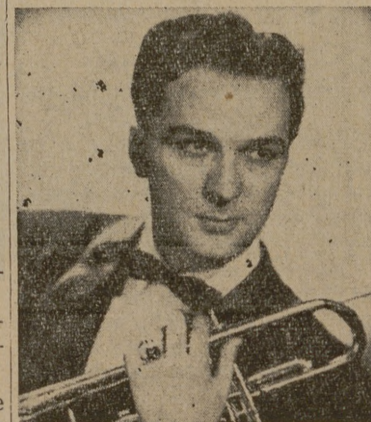
Robert L. Whiting, head of the Department of Petroleum Engineering and John L. Pedigo, associate professor in that department, will head a group in fueling the Bonfire shortly before ignition.

A \$35,000 rig from Halliburton Well Servicing will spray approximately 500 gallons of kerosene through a variable speed and pressure pump.

Fueling of the Bonfire will begin at 5 p. m. Wednesday and Whiting said the entire operation would take only 45 minutes at the most, making the blaze ready for the torch as early as 5:45 p. m.

The pair urged students and bystanders to remain outside the 200-foot area around the Bonfire which will be roped off during and after fueling. A number of authorized cadet officers will be on duty to make certain no one enters the area.

A sufficient number of injuries also dotted Bonfire labor with 37 accidents — none serious — reported by Dr. C. R. Lyons, director of the Health Service of the College Hospital through 4 p. m. Monday. Ironically, the first Bonfire injury did not occur during actual construction of the blaze, but a week before when an upperclassman suffered a laceration while sharpening an ax.



Lee Castle
... leads Dorsey group

Dorsey Group To Play Here Wednesday

Couples will be dancing to the music of Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra Wednesday night in Sbis Hall after the Bonfire. Tickets are now on sale at the Cashier's Window in the Memorial Student Center at \$2.50 per couple. Proceeds will go to defray expenses of the Bonfire.

Lee Castle, one of the best trumpet players in the country, will be directing the orchestra, with Jayne Ames as the featured vocalist. Castle has been considered the "third son" of the Dorsey Band and has been a member of such bands as that of Artie Shaw, Glenn Miller and Benny Goodman. He joined up with Tommy and Jimmy when they created "The Fabulous Dorsey Orchestra," as musical conductor and featured trumpeter.

Jimmy Dorsey is credited with putting the juke box industry on its feet. Emphasizing a sweeter style, Jimmy's recordings of "Amapola," "Maria Elena," "Green Eyes," "I Hear A Rhapsody" and "Besame Mucho" were a few of the biggest juke box favorites ever recorded. Jimmy Dorsey, who sold over 40 million records, was also responsible for one of the recording industry's first million sellers, "John Silver."

Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey are credited with delighting audiences from coast to coast for a period of over two decades with fabulous music. They were responsible for the first success of many top vocalists, including Frank Sinatra, Dick Haynes, Jo Stafford and Connie Haynes.

Playing before their greatest audience on CBS Television's hit program, "Stage Show," the fabulous Dorseys won the favor of an entire new generation of music lovers.

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Waring's Stereo Festival Pleases Town Hall Audience

Variety marked the success of the Stereo Festival of Fred Waring and The Pennsylvanians at Town Hall last night before a somewhat sparse crowd in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Presenting "the sound that surrounds," the Waring group brought a variety of numbers, some gay and some serious, all done in a style that has made Waring and The Pennsylvanians a top musical attraction for four decades.

The songs presented last night were of a world-wide theme. There was music with a Russian accent, a bit of authentic Americana representing our own United States in both words and melodies, some Latin American strains and the African background of the great Negro Spirituals.

The most colorful and gay por-

tion of the program was the opening numbers in which various members of The Pennsylvanians were introduced by singing solos. They sang songs with a love theme which consisted of "Lover," "Hello, Young Lovers," "I Love Life," "Love Is Where You Find It," "Can't Help Lovin' That Man of Mine" and others. Sprinkled in with this array of old favorites was a present day top hit, "Mack The Knife."

In keeping with the nearing holiday season, the group gave the Aggiedland audience a few Christmas songs, including "Jingle Bells," "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town."

Music representing the animal kingdom also shared the spotlight in an array of numbers entitled "Who's Zoo."

Beauty was present in the form

of three former Miss America contestants. Mickey Wayland, Miss Tennessee of 1959, delighted the crowd with haunting love songs and changed the mood once by singing "Dixie."

The group climaxed the third Town Hall presentation with the original Waring interpretation of the historic "Battle Hymn of the Republic," in which the audience was allowed to join.

The Waring group presented music that would please every kind of music lover. One of the brightest stars on the stage was tenor and folk singer Gordon Goodman, who sang "On Top of Old Smokey" in an unusual and pleasing manner.

Comedy, song and dance were the key notes to a program enjoyed by all.

Guide Posts

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold. The rich and poor meet together: the Lord is the maker of them all."—Proverbs 22:1-2

No Cranberries

Cadet Menu Features Steers

By The Battalion Sports Staff

With cranberries taken off their Thanksgiving Day menu, the oft-beaten, but never down-trodden Aggies hope to supplement their lean diet with a fair share of Texas Longhorn Thursday afternoon on Kyle Field.

Dame Fortune has smiled at the Steers with disturbing regularity this year, and just as often the fickle old lady has given the Farmers the back of her hand.

The Cadets are 0-5 in Southwest Conference play up to this tradition-studded game, and three of those defeats have come about in the way of last quarter tallies by their opponents.

It is ironic that the tradition minded Ags don't have tradition working in their favor in this SWC game of games. In this 66th meeting of the arch-foes, Texas has the past records of their ancestors working in their favor. The Steers have won 43 to A&M's 17 with five contests ending in a frustrating tie.

Won-loss records are of no avail in determining the winner of this game, since in years past the lowly has risen to smite the mighty

with no regard as to who has won the most games or is the most points favored.

A&M, with their three-six season record this year, would do well to take a walk in the past and look at the 1948 contest. The Farmers that year posted a 0-9-1 record, but that tie was against a mighty Texas team that went on to play and win in the Orange Bowl. Talk about upsets in football!

If Dame Opportunity taps the Steers on their shoulders Thanksgiving Day, they can be expected to embrace the old girl warmly, for it is she who has brought them to the threshold of a remarkable season.

Victors of eight straight games before bowing to TCU, the Longhorns have fashioned one of their greatest years by capitalizing on opportunities. Eighteen of their 27 touchdowns were rewards for aggressiveness and alertness.

The Aggies, on the other hand, have had nothing but rough breaks to mar their season. Fumbles demoralized them against a strong TCU team. A 60-yard runback of

a punt cost them a victory against Rice.

Both teams will enter Saturday's fray with well-rested teams, in top physical form. The Longhorns will come ranting at the Aggies with mayhem on their minds, trying to make up for their previous week's defeat by the TCU Horned Frogs. That loss dropped them from the undefeated ranks in the nation, a No. 3 spot in the national top ten, and undefeated possession of No. 1 in the conference.

Texas must win this game if they hope to see cotton New Year's Day. Currently they are tied for

PROBABLE STARTING LINEUPS

A&M	POS.	TEXAS
Ralph Smith	LE	Larry Cooper
Gale Oliver	LT	Larry Stephens
Wayne Freiling	LG	Maurice Duke
Roy Northrup	C	Jerry Muennink
Buddy Payne	RG	Babe Dreymla
Allen Gochring	RT	Dick Jones
Robert Phillips	RE	Monte Lee
Charles Milstead	QB	Bobby Lackey
Robert Sanders	LH	Jack Collins
Randy Sims	RH	Rene Ramirez
Gordon LeBoeuf	FB	Clair Branch

first in the conference with Arkansas, and the Razorbacks have finished their season. The Steers can also look behind them and see the Horned Frogs romping up the trail towards a three-way tie.

A&M, on the other hand, has everything to win and nothing to lose, an old story for the Cadets this year. By winning this game they can turn an otherwise dismal season into one that can be looked back on in the coming years with pride.

After all, only 17 teams can boast of turning this trick in 66 years. Immortality of sorts could greet the winner.



By Jim Earle

"Reginald, you know, I know and the newspapers know that we have a better team, but there seems to be a difference of opinion down here."