

'Rev' To Debut At Tech Game

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The only female member of the A&M Corps, Reveille III, will make her annual debut Saturday night in Kyle Field at the Texas Tech game.

A frisky three-year-old collie, "Rev," as she is known to all Aggies, can be expected to follow in the tradition set by her predecessors. Reveille's appearance Saturday night will mark 37 years since the Aggies decided a dog should be their mascot.

ONE MIGHT QUESTION whether the Aggies chose Reveille I as their mascot or if she chose the Aggies to represent her. The first Rev, a mixture between a collie and a spitz, came to the campus as a result of an accident in 1931 when some Aggies hit the dog while returning to school.

Although it was against school regulations to have pets in the dormitory, the cadets smuggled her in without getting caught. The next morning when the bugle call woke the cadets, it also disturbed the convalescing dog, who protested by howling.

BECAUSE THE BUGLE CALL was reveille, the cadets decided to name the dog the same. The new mascot was soon accepted by all the students.

Rev soon became a common sight on the campus. She ate with the students in the dining hall, slept in the dormitories, attended classes with them, and pranced before the Corps and the band at drills.

COMPANY E-2 BECAME the home of the Aggie mascot. A sophomore was designated as the mascot corporal and was given the job of caring for Rev. It was also his duty to make sure rival schools could not kidnap the Aggie mascot, an incident which has never occurred.

Reveille I was the Aggie mascot for 13 years until she died on Jan. 19, 1944. To show their appreciation for her faithfulness, the cadets buried Reveille I just outside of the west end of the stadium in Kyle Field, "where she

can always see the scoreboard."

Seven years passed before the cadets received a new mascot. In 1951, a shetland shepherd became the symbol of the Aggies and she was named Reveille II.

THE NEW REV was just as spirited as her predecessor. When the Aggie Band would play on the football field at half-time, Rev would run out on the field and march before the members of the band. Anyone who dared to step on the field while the band performed was considered a trespasser and received a nip on the leg from Rev.

Reveille II often argued with the decisions of the referees, sometimes to the point where she had to be muzzled. A couple of times she was barred from the field, once for nipping an assistant coach from Texas Christian University.

During her reign, Rev saw the school change from all-male to coeducational. She also saw the school change from a college to a university and the Corps became an elective for incoming students.

REVEILLE II RETIRED officially at Final Review in May of 1966. She had been plagued with kidney ailments for a number of years. During the summer after her retirement, Reveille II was crippled by attacks of arthritis.

On August 23, 1966, Reveille II was put to sleep. She was buried beside the first Rev in a ceremony held by the students after school started in the fall of 1966.

The current Reveille was a present to the student body from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Husa of Fairbanks, Alaska, whose sons, Randy and Steve Andes, attended A&M. She made her first football debut at the Texas Tech game in 1966.

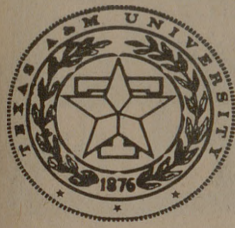
THOMAS M. RIDEOUT, second year math major from Marshall, is the mascot corporal this year. Rideout took Rev home with him over the summer.

"To make sure Reveille was safe, I couldn't tell anyone who she really was," said Rideout. "Nobody knew the dog I was caring for was the Aggie mascot until the day after I returned to school when my hometown paper printed the story."



REVEILLE III

Aggie mascot Reveille III, a three-year-old Collie who has been with the Corps since she was a puppy, basks in one of her favorite haunts, Kyle Field. Rev will appear there for the first time this year when the Aggies play Texas Tech Saturday. (Photo by Bill Wright)



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Songstress Anita Bryant To Open Town Hall Season

A vivacious songstress heralded in entertainment, government and religious circles, Anita Bryant takes the G. Rollie White

Coliseum stage at 8 p.m. Friday for the opening Town Hall performance of 1968-69. Anita Bryant's talent is re-

flected in three gold disks for million-record sellers "Till There Was You," "Paper Roses" and "In My Little Corner of the



CAMPUS CHEST KICK-OFF

Bennie Zinn, right, dean of student affairs, makes the first contribution to the Campus Chest to David Howard, Student Senate Welfare Committee chairman and head of the project. The presentation was part of Tuesday's "Kick-Off Dinner" at which student leaders and faculty members were introduced to the project's planned campaign. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Folk singer Leon Bibb will not appear as scheduled at Town Hall Friday, Wayne Stark, Memorial Student Center director, announced today.

Stark said he learned Tuesday that Bibb had injured his ankle during the filming of a movie with Sidney Poitier and has been forced to cancel all appearances.

"Mr. Bibb is very embarrassed about the situation," Stark said. "He is doing all he can to help us find a replacement for Friday night."

Stark said another act will be found to appear with singer Anita Bryant at the 8 p.m. performance, and added he hopes to announce the replacement "as soon as we can get confirmation from the agency in Chicago."

World," two standing ovations in White House performances and frequent TV guest appearances.

Her deep interest in religion led to concert presentations of sacred music throughout the world with evangelist Billy Graham. Her statement of faith was published in a syndicated newspaper column and Dr. Norman Vincent Peale devoted a chapter of his best-selling book, "Seven Steps to Vital Faith," to Anita.

Numerous awards include being named to the Oklahoma Hall of Fame last year, the USO Silver Medallion for seven consecutive Bob Hope holiday troupes abroad, the National Guards' Guardsman Award—first time to a female—and "Official USO Hostess" at the New York World's Fair.

Town Hall Chairman Louis Adams said some season tickets are still available.

He indicated a moderate number of reserve seat tickets remain. Student date duets, at \$1.50 each, are also available at the Student Program Office in the Memorial Student Center.

Student general admission is by presentation of activity card and ID.

WEATHER

Thursday—Partly Cloudy. Winds Northerly 10 to 15 mph. High 74. Low 66.

Friday—Clear to Partly Cloudy. Winds Northerly at 10 mph. High 77. Low 56.

Kyle Field—Partly Cloudy. Winds Southeast at 10 mph. Temperature 76. Relative Humidity 55%.

Director To Dedicate Kyle Field Expansion

Dedication of Texas A&M's expanded Kyle Field is scheduled prior to the Saturday night football game with Texas Tech.

Richard T. Bernard, assistant to A&M President Earl Rudder, said the 7:15 p.m. field ceremonies will include remarks by L. F.

Peterson of Fort Worth and H. C. Heldenfels of Corpus Christi.

Peterson is president of the A&M Board of Directors but will be participating in the ceremonies as chairman of the Kyle Field Expansion Committee. Heldenfels also is a member of the board

and chairman of its building committee.

Earlier in the day, the 30-member expansion committee will be honored at a noon luncheon. The Tech game is A&M's first at home this season.

Work on Phase I of the Kyle Field expansion program was completed earlier this year. The project, which cost approximately \$1.8 million, increased seating capacity from 39,000 to 54,000.

The program also included installation of a new lighting system, new concession areas, new plastic seats, refurbished scoreboard, landscaping, new elevator and improved parking facilities.

Long-range plans call for increasing capacity to 65,000 seats by enclosing the south end of the 39-year-old stadium.

A large portion of the funds to expand the stadium came from a statewide campaign to sell seat options. The Association of Former Students and the Aggie Club played key roles in the drive.

The decision to expand Kyle Field was made by the board of directors in late 1965. Plans were approved in April, 1966, and work began after the last home game that fall.

Engineering firm for the project was Lockwood, Andrews and Newman, Inc., of Houston, Corpus Christi and Victoria. The contractor was Temple Associates of Diboll.

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Much-Criticized Intersection To Remain Without Stoplight

By TOM CURL
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The four-way stop intersection at South College and University Drive has been criticized since its construction.

Many motorists say that a signal light is needed to handle the traffic that runs six lanes wide on all four entrances to the intersection.

The present design replaced the dangerous "circle" two years ago.

"WHEN WE HAD THE circle, nobody knew who had the right-of-way," said R. H. Schleider, assistant district engineer for the Texas Highway Department. According to Schleider, several drivers missed the turn and ran onto the middle of the circle.

He explained that a signal light required to handle the traffic at the intersection would be expensive, so the Highway Department decided to try the four-way stop system.

At present, the City of College Station has a traffic officer at the intersection four times a day; in the early morning as A&M employees go to work, twice during the noon hour and at 5 p.m. when the A&M workday ends.

"WE HAVE ELIMINATED many of the initial bottlenecks by putting in right turn curves," remarked Schleider.

He said the Highway Department will make a traffic study if problems arise.

"The four-way stop has handled the problems so far," he added.

A request must be filed by the City of College Station before a traffic light would be installed.

"The conduits are already laid for the signal, should it be decided to put one in," Schleider said.

He pointed out, however, that a traffic officer would still be needed to control the light intervals and keep traffic balanced

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RUSH HOUR

A College Station policeman directs traffic during the 5 p. m. rush hour at the University Avenue—College Avenue intersection. The four-way stop at the busy intersection has been criticized by motorists who favor installing a traffic light there. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Zinn Presents First Donation To Launch Campus Chest Drive

The first Campus Chest Drive at Aggieland in four years was kicked off Tuesday night at a banquet at the Memorial Student Center with the first donation being made by Dean of Student Affairs Bennie Zinn.

Approximately 110 student leaders and A&M faculty and staff attended the banquet and heard explanations of the purposes and goals of the \$7,500 effort which is being sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega, student service fraternity, for the Student Senate Welfare Committee.

"It is a distinct honor to be a part of this drive," commented APO President John Clark.

Student Senate President Bill Carter gave examples of how the money collected is to be used, and Welfare Committee Chairman David Howard explained how this year's drive will be conducted.

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Divided into two parts, the Campus Chest will be conducted on campus with a "Miss Campus Chest" contest and at football games for spectators and former students.

"In the past more money has been collected at the football games than in the dorm area," noted APO Fund Raising Chairman Bill Faulkner. "With the interest that has been expressed by students this year, we hope to reverse this trend."

"Since the money collected during the Campus Chest Drive is to be used for students, the more that is contributed will allow more to be done for students," said Carter.

Besides Faulkner, APO members in charge of fund raising are Mike Emerson, heading collecting at the Texas Tech game; Vernon Bartle, TCU collection chairman; Ronnie Smith, Arkansas game; and Nelson Graeter, Rice game. John Cunningham is publicity chairman and Travis Strange, promotion chairman.

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