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The best officer material in the nation is being drawn from the Lone Star State, according to Commander Neale T. Fugate, Lt.-Cmdr. F, H. Neaton, Jr., acting commandant, at a press conference here yesterday. "This state is lending to the nation in the war effort," he asserted, pointing to the enormous natural and manufacturing resources that the Lone Star State is pouring into all-out war into addition to tons of thousands of her sons. The new commandant, who officially takes over the campus naval unit today from Lt.-Cmdr. F. H. Neaton, Jr., a acting commandant, met local reporters and answered their questions for 30 minutes at the special conference in Dean R. B. Wiser's AB office. He pointed for pictures with Dean Wiser after revealing that he had chosen the Institute point out all NROTC commands offered him. The new commandant expressed his enthusiasm. Continued on page 4

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Peden, Manning
Senior Members
Women’s Group

Laura Louise Peden and Dorothy Manning were elected from the 1943-44 to 1944-45 term as members of the Women’s Council in the recent election of the year held last Monday. They will replace outgoing senior representatives Margaret Riesger and Gloria Wood. Betty Lee Sneed was elected to fill the senior position that was vacated on the Women’s Council at the end of the 1943-44 term. Miss Peden was named president of the group, today. Betty Lee Sneed was named vice-president. Betty Ann Anderson was secretary, and Betty Lee Sneed treasurer.

Campanile Asks
12-14 Salesmen

Financial committee will be offered students interested in soliciting advertising space for the 1943-44 Campanile. Business manager Try Blaske said today that the Campanile staff members will be assigned several small amounts in addition to any money they may be able to sell. Those interested should see Bayless, office manager; Taylor, assistant Rugeby Livesay and Ward, Woodruff within the next week.

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The finale, Vierne’s Finale from the Eighth Sonata, made the audience devout on a note of purity and luminosity which was contrasted against the usual program of the morning. Of the smaller works, notable were Bach’s “Come, Redeemer of the Nations,” and Vivaldi’s “Glorious” in the style of the “Little.” The closers played for the Officers’ Ball, and Vivaldi’s “Glorious” in the style of the “Little.” The members at the end of the program gained a new appreciation for the four seasons, and the audience was greeted with the familiar phrase: “Bach’s ‘Come, Redeemer of the Nations’.”

**Club News**

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who have reorganized after being dormant since 1930, were honored with a tea given Saturday, April 25, at the home of Frances Donnan. Last Saturday, May 2, the alumnae met and elected the following officers: Miss Elva Kell, president; Miss Maryellen Snyder, vice-president; Mrs. A. R. Rommel, secretary; Mrs. V. P. Ringer, treasurer; and Mrs. Jesse Hines, Mrs. J. P. Estall, Mrs. R. E. Folder, Misses Frances Donnan, Louise Josep, Mary Frances Durran and Marie Munoz, members of the board.

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