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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Genileman" Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Information Wanted, Please

A woman rushed into The Battalion office Monday with the distressing news that she had mistakenly wandered into Bizzell Hall, thinking it was Goodwin. The lady was obviously shaken by her experience, but it had one good effect, it pointed out the need for an effective system of marking and numbering the streets and buildings on the campus.

A&M isn't the largest college in the country, but, like many Texas communities, it is a hard place for a visitor to travel around with any degree of confidence. Visitors are not the only ones who don't know the names of many of the streets or buildings, either.

If you ever listened to someone try to explain to a new arrival to the college how to get to Anchor Hall, the baseball diamond, or some other place, you know that no amount of pointing, map drawing or verbal directions can replace the good old system which a few of the more progressive cities have picked up-marking their streets and numbering their blocks.

Many of the streets on the campus are already named, but what good is a name if nobody knows it? Why not some sign posts curb markings, building numbers and a good campus guide to help visitors find their way around? It would require money effort and planning, but we think it would be a good investment.

Time Out for A Compliment..

Anyone who has taken the trouble to think back and compare the Casey's and George's of today with the Casey's and George's of last year will have to admit that some big changes have been made. (We still can't get used to the names The Cave and Campus Corner.)

Since the operation of the two confectionaries was taken over last January by the manager of the Memorial Student Fund, J. Wayne Stark, there has been a constant improvement in the quality of the food, the service and the general atmosphere of both places.

The most notable improvement has been in the cleanliness of both locations.

Granted there is still room for improvement in the coffee, but the other services and products are better than they used to be. Given more room and better facilities even better service would no doubt result.

The credit for this goes not only to Stark, but to the managers of the two locations and the staff which feeds the daily hoards that decend upon them with the regularity of fee payment day itself.

These leaders want the right to enact

civil rights legislation left up to the indi-

vidual states. There are other parts of

the states' rights controversy that have

helped in widening the split in the party,

but the states' rights to handle their own

program of civil rights has been the big

lies the undeniable fact that these South-

ern leaders want to continue to deprive the

Negro population of the rights guaranteed

tucky, put the whole question of civil

rights as plainly as it could be put in his

Monday night keynote address at the con-

vention. Referring to the Constitution,

them in the Constitution.

Behind the screen of "states' rights'

Senator Barkley, Democrat from Ken-

Civil Rights And the South . .

The Democratic party commits itself to continuing its effort to eradicate all racial, religious and economic discrimina-

We again state our belief that racial and religious minorities must have the right to live, the right to work, the right to vote, the full and equal protection of the law, on a basis of equality with all citizens as guaranteed by the Constitution.

"To secure these rights, we pledge ourselves to support federal action to guarantee to all Americans:

'1. Personal safety from the brutal

crime of lynching and mob violence. 2. Equal opportunity in employment.

"3. Full and free political participation. "4. Equal treatment in the armed

The quotation above was taken from the tentative civil rights plank of the Democratic party's platform. It holds within it the issues which have largely been the immediate cause of the open split between the Northern and Southern factions of the party.

party platform many Southern leaders, including Governor Jester of Texas, have waged a stiff battle. Some of the leaders have threatened revolt.

The candidate who screams at the top of his voice that he will be elected may be the former boy who whistled while passing a graveyard.

Personally, we don't believe that taxation without representation could possibly have been worse than taxation without limitation.

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Barkley said that when Jefferson wrote "All men are created equal," he did not distinguish men by their race, creed or color, but simply stated "ALL men." That interpretation is the only basis for a just program of civil rights. It will

be the basis for future legislation. The sooner Southern leaders recognize this To avoid having such a plank in the inescapable fact and pitch in to aid instead of hinder a just program of equal rights for all peoples, the better off the Democratic party, the South and the nation as a whole will be.

> Actress who sued movie makers for \$250,000 alleged that instead of getting promised billing in the "Fuller Brush Man" she got the Fuller Brush off.

> We can't understand why all that money is being spent trying to discover a cure for the common cold. Anybody who doesn't have one knows how to cure one.

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Random Thoughts . . .

Barkley Would Make Good Vice - Presidential Nominee

By CARROLL TRAIL

When Alben Barkley took the rostrum Monday evening to deliver his keynote speech, he was faced with a group of bickering, spiritless Democrats. But 68 minutes later, when he had finished his "call to arms," the delegates gave him a 28-minute ovation while parading up and down the hall to the tune of "My Old Kentucky Home."

Some of his colleagues in the Senate mounted the platform to congratulate him, and many voiced the opinion that the Kentucky statesman was the logical candidate for vicepresident.

And that he is. His long legislative experience, his campaigning ability, and his popularity among the various factions of the party make him an excellent choice as President Truman's running mate.

His service in Congress has made him a most capable statesman. For 11 of his 35 years in Congress he has been the Senate Democratic leader. Taking office at the first inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, he has seen at first hand the effects of the roaring twenties, the subsequent depression, and recovery under the New Deal. He has attended Democratic Conventions since 1920, going as keynoter in 1932 and 1936 and permanent chairman in 1940.

Often called the oratorical "iron man" Barkley has made as many as 40 speeches in one day. His eloquent phrases and smooth delivery make him one of the ablest campaigners the Democrats can offer.

One has only to look at the response to the Monday night address to see that Barkley has appeal to nearly all groups. Southern senators Connally, Johnston, and Hill all recommended Barkley for the number 2 slot. President Truman has even given Barkley an approving nod.

Evidently, a Truman-Barkley ticket will be the Democrats answer to the Dewey-Warren combination.

New York Citizens Attracted By Traditional Senior Boots

Chemical Service summer camp at Edgewood, Maryland are now recuperating from three day passes granted for Independence Day. Washington D. C. claimed most

of these men for the holidays, and New York City the rest. It remains debatable as to whether New York was more interesting to the Aggies or the Aggies more interesting to the New York citizens.

The traditional boots were worn majestically through the streets of that city attracting many curious stares. The men were stopped by everyone, ranging from little boys and traffic cops to a girl just over

Those who made the sojourn to Washington D. C. returned with plans for an Aggie get-together to be held in the Roosevelt Hotel on the week-end of July 10-11. All the Aggies on the east coast are expected to attend.

Francisco Guevera has been made first sergeant and Bill Wheeler squad leader and that constitutes the sum of the rank bestowed upon A&M men.

On July 8 the potential officers toured a supply depot where all sorts of interesting and fascinating things are stored. Besides be-

ing educational and instructive the tour killed three hours which might have been devoted to lugging 328

Perhaps the most spectacular maneuver in which the Aggles have participated was a "smoke screen" problem.

The men were instructed to screen an entire peninsula to thwart an enemy amphibious attack. They sallied forth in full field uniform, including pack and gas

Jeeps and trucks were everywhere. Smoke generators were everywhere. Men were everywhere. Utter chaos was everywhere. Smoke generators were set up, ra-dio communication was installed and after what seemed to be hours all was in readiness.

There was one "fly in the oint-ment", however, for they were operating in a 4.2 inch mortar target range and had overlooked a company of mortars that were throwing 25 pound shells with carefree

They hastily got their heads together and agreed upon a "strategic withdrawal" and soon stumbled around, over, and among each other until they were installed in a less frequented part of the range.

Kelly Field Air Force Cadets Finish Up Last Week of Camp

By TOM CARTER In the true spirit of SNAFU, A&M men at Kelly Air Force Base prepared to finish up their last

reek of summer camp. Squadron 11, the all-Aggie squadron, seemed to be on the receiving end of all the little nasty jobs that go into the making of a good Air Force. The job that hurt them most was that of having to clean up a bay occupied entirely by "Sips." A "Sip" here is anyone who does not attend Texas A&M. In addition to this unpleasant task, Squadron 11 was chosen to put on a physical training demon-stration for visiting notables. The men in this squadron are under

the impression that they receive all the details because they are the only ones competent enough to see that the job gets done. Any-way, they did the job and are now making sick call every morning in an effort to get relief from sore muscles.

One of the most interesting things that has happened here was a talk on geopolitics given by Lt. Col. Keefer, professor at Tulane University. The Colonel made the cadets bolt upright in their seats when he said that the United States would go to war with Russia. Speaking with an authoritative voice, Colonel (See KELLY FIELD, Page 4) (See KELLY FIELD, Page 4)

Trampling Out the Vintage .

Okie Paper Goes One Better Than New Look; New Smell

By CHUCK MAISEL

The words are different but the fragrance lingers on.

Such is the plight of the Daily Oklahoman and Times here after they cheerfully dumped 45 pounds of concentrated perfume essence into their presses Thursday.

It was all a gag to put zingo into a de-partment store's full-page advertisement for a perfume called "Black Magic." They pulled that ad out yesterday, but

things are still under the spell or smell. Four morning and evening issues have gone by and the company is still getting out onescent editions.

"Where we made our mistake," one rueful and redolent pressman said, "was in pouring that stuff into the main ink fountain. We should have used a little one made for colored ink.

"I had to let my wife smell one of those papers before she'd let me in," he added, as the crowd edged away.

At least the Democrats are optimistic. One of the buttons seen around Philadelphia these days says: "All 48 in '48."

They had a similar motto in 1900.

Here's a local item which should cause some interest. We all know how much trouble visiting firemen have in finding their way about our unmarked campus, but the clincher came when a female newcomer to the school set out to find Goodwin Hall recently (although why she would want to find the place this reporter will never understand).

She got just a leetle bit mixed up and walked boldly into Hotel Bizzeil.

Labor is getting to be quite a problem. A Portland, Me., druggist however actually had a volunteer for the job of soda-jerk. The creature, who had no doubt seen the Help Wanted sign in the front of the store, was a full grown deer-of the animal type.

Deciding the animal couldn't measure up to a soda dispenser's qualifications, the manager of the store tackled the deer behind the fountain and turned it over to the SPCA.

Perhaps that group will give the animal an aptitude test and find its real place in life.

The off quoted definition of a statistician something like this: a statistician is a man who draws a non-existant line from an unknown point to a foregone conclusion.

The new 200 inch telescope at Palomar Mountain, Calif., is having its share of statisticians. They are now engaged busily constructing a yardstick to measure the universe. The yardstick is not exactly pocketsize in that it is 60 million million million miles long. It has equally imaginary marks on it like the inches on a foot ruler. But out toward the end of the yardscick the marks are not accurately spaced.

AP wires which tell the story forgot to say whether it is a ruler or tape measure.

The wires are fairly popping with the story of the revival of balloon chasing by the Swiss mojorists. The pre-war sport was recentry resurrected when an automobile club in Basel staged sucn an event. Ine panoon was lined with 2,200 cubic meters of gas and left to the winds. Thirty-seven motorists engaged in a guessing and racing contest to see who would be the first on the spot when

the balloon landed. The swiss say the sport is most ancient, but our guess is that it is a youngster compared to the old American custom of following the wild geose.

Better watch who you invite to your house these days. There was a party given by the famous "Tiger Gang" in Siam at which Siamese (no, they weren't the twin variety) police wined and dined with 1,000 guests. Then with no display of manners whatspever the police started shooting it out with their hosts.

One nost was killed on the spot. But his brother took to an elephant and crashed off into the jungle via pachyderm.

Altogether the booze and bullets bingeheld to warm two fancy new houses the "tigers" had built-cost 15 lives. Four police were seriously wounded and it serves them right for being so rowdy at a social function

F. E. Boone Sounds Off . . .

Yantis Arrives in Philadelphia; Meets Old Friends As Democratic Convention Begins

adelphia, Pennsylvania. (By Car- ed him what he thought about the rier Pigeon). I finished my poli- state's rights issue. He didn't ticking in Tennessee and Kentuc- think that President Truman's civil ky last Saturday and made my way up here late Sunday evening.

The "Friendly City" is over- proposal would be incorporated in flowing with personalities from to the platform. Rather, he pre-all over the country—Texans with dicted a compromise in a form their ten-gallon hats, Arizonians that would unite the whole party with their boots and spurs, Californians with their raincoats. Milsouri Compromise, the plank lions of every variety give the would consolidate both wings of Quaker Town the appearance of the party and increase the party's a huge melting pot, stirring and chance of victory in November.

Street when I thought I saw one of my old cromies. "Hello, Senator O'-," I cried, stopping myself just in time. What I had taken for my old buddy was the Democratic party's mascot, being led to Conven-

I managed to rub elbows with several Texans. As a matter of fact, the Texas delegation has its headquarters in my hotel, giving the dignified appearance of an old southern mansion. A Texas flag hangs over the door and a Confederate flag hangs in the obby. "Dixie" and "Beautiful Texas" are sounded periodically, and F. E. Boone of Lexington, Kentucky, sounds off over the public (Technicolor) Warner Bros. star-address system every hour on the ring Jack Carson, Doris Day, Don

in the drinking fountains. Uppermost in most of the dele-gate's minds is the writing of the but in this musical comedy and platform. The stand on civil rights establishes herself as a notential and tidelands may split the Texas candidate for stardom. This per delegation. I am doing everything little blonde has a super voice and I can to gain the Brazos River not only that, she is plerity easy on tidelands for the farmers. As a the eye. Wait until you hear her pledged delegate, I shall do my utsing, "Its Magic," one of the sure most to carry out my responsibilibit tunes of the picture. y. However, things look pretty The story revolves around

my request seemed impossible at third wedding anniversary, the present, but he thought that Paige hires Miss Day to take he maybe his compromise plan could name and her cruise, while be agreed upon. The plan, given in does a little checking up on a commencement address Moody husbands pastimes in New York gave at Bryan Grade School last Simultaneously, De Fore amJune and subsequently dubbed by ploys a private detective, who is a phrase-happy journalist as the none other than Jack Carson. Af-Moody Plan, will give each farmer ter the situation is all mixed up all the fish he catches when the with these mistaken identities, the water floods his fields. Considered film gets underway. Carson falls too liberal by the die-hard Republicans, the plan is designed to miss Paige, De Fore and the othappeal to the masses.

Late yesterday afternoon I hapand all the wrinkles are ironed out.

SAN MARCOS ANTHRAX

OUTBREAK CHECKED

FORT WORTH, July 14 — (P)—

Dr. John R. Ludwigs (CQ), chief veterinarian for the State Live. stock Commission here, says an outbreak of authrax on a San Marcos farm last week has been checked and a vaccination program is all this plus Doris Day. underway.

He said Monday that the disease was confined to the farm but that four cattle died—the greatest anthrax loss yet reported.

pened to run into my old chun though he didn't want to commit Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Phil Governor Beauford Jester, I askrights program, nor the South

I saw many of my old friends and acquaintances from home. Yes-terday I was walking down Broad vice-presidential nomination. Al-

himself, it was only after I appealed to him as a good-buddy that he predicted O'Mahoney or someone else would get the nomination. I hate to see old Sam go out on a limb like that just for me. That's what I call a real pal. I left my old chum about 9:30

and decided to sneak over to Convention Hall and eaves-drop on some of the conferences going on in the back-rooms. Circling the Hall, I noticed a small crack of light coming through a drawn shade in one of the basement windows. I crawled up to it, placed my ear against the pane and heard: "Sorry Harry, but my full house beats your two pair."

Sneak Previews.

All of This Plus Doris Day In 'Romance On the High Seas'

By ANDY DAVIS

hour. Mint julip has replaced water De Fore, Janis Paige, Oscar Le in the drinking fountains.

turbed married couple, (Janis I was talking to my old side-kick Dan Moody, a member on the is compelled to cancel the South plaftorm committee. He said that American cruise signalizing their The film has a tuneful array of numbers, with the comedy angle being supplied by Oscar Levant

all this plus Doris Day.

"SO THIS IS NEW YORK (Enterprise). starring Henry Mor-

gan, Rudy Vallee, and Virginia Grey. Palace Theater, Bryan. In the current attraction at the Palace in Bryan, the audience is taken back to the good old days of fast spending, flapper skirts, and Prohibition. Yes, once again

Twenties" as the era for one of its latest productions. This is the first starring part for Henry Morgan, one of radios' new comedians. Morgan gives a mediocre performance as the harassed spouse of Virginia Grey. Although not an outstanding picture in any respect, it is quite entertaining.

Hollywood uses the "Roaring

Let's go back to the year 1919. An average American couple (Morgan and Grey) are living peacefully in South Bend, Indiana with the wife's young and attractive sister (Donna Drake). But alas. The young ladies involved inherit a small fortune and their quiet

home life is disrupted. The decision is made to go to New York to find the sister a young, handsome, and rich husband. There they run through a succession of characters. First of all, they meet a Wall Street smoothie who promptly falls for the wife. After this blows over, the sister meets and has quite a fling with an ex-explorer, a gambling race-horse owner (Rudy Valee), a jockey, and a Ziegfield comedian who takes them for quite a pile

to back a flop show. After the show flops, they find all their money is gone. With the supply of eligible backelors exhausted, a long-suffering butcher from South Bend comes and claims the sister. Morgan returns to his job as a cigar salesman and they all 'live happily ever after.'

While this flicker is definitely

not on any one's "must-see" list, it is recommended as "pretty good" family entertainment.