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On Catching Rides

Reports come to the College of occasional pranks and disturbances occurring in Bryan, blamed on cadets of this institution. Among the most recent of these happened the other night when a group gathered on the corner waiting for the "ride out to college" became so loud in their conversation that they aroused the anger of the property owners on that particular corner.

On being asked to be a bit more quiet, the group responded with remarks unbecoming such a group and paid no attention to such requests. Students guilty of such offense should stop to consider before they allow themselves to retort to anyone in a disrespectful manner. In this particular instance, it is needless to say that the lady who was awakened by this group would have been doing only what would have been considered her just and lawful procedure to have called the officers and left the situation up to them. But no. The Bryan residents have greater respect for the students than that, and only in rare occasions have the stern hands of the law ever had to be called.

Instead of being so noisy if you are stranded in Bryan after the last bus has left, try to consider the rights of the other fellow, and pass the night quietly, until you find conveyance out to college.

Only Ten Days 'Til Christmas

The date on the calendar reads December the ninth. This makes you think, "Only ten more days till the Christmas Holidays." Everyone will be glad to get away and everyone is planning what he will do during the holidays. These plans will wait. If you start thinking about such things now you will miss much of your studying time. Do you remember how you planned for the Corps trip a week ahead of time?

Altogether it kept you from giving your school work your best for about a week and a half. When you figure in Thanksgiving, Christmas, Corps trips, and week-end trips home you begin to realize what a gap they make in the work you have been doing. The idea is not that the holidays are bad, but rather the way that they are taken. Forget about the coming holidays for one week.

Remember the big quizzes you have coming, remember your back work in this and that course, and when Christmas comes it won't be quite so empty for you and your parents. Remember this is your college career, don't cheat your mind for the benefit of your body.

"Agriculturalist" Tells Of College

A recent issue of the "Southern Agriculturist," a magazine published in Nashville, Tenn., contained an interesting article written by J. E. Stanford, Bryan, who is Texas Editor of the publication. The article told of the work of A and M College in the agricultural field, and emphasized the benefits brought by the Extension Service, the College, teaching staff, and Experiment Station. A brief history of the College and photographs of several college men are with the article.

Magazine Next Week

The Christmas Edition of "The Battalion" will be out next Wednesday. It will be the regular monthly magazine with a special atmosphere of the holidays. Students desiring extra copies will please place their orders at once. The cover motif will be a winter scene of a cathedral; the cover is drawn by J. L. Keith, art editor of "The Battalion."

CAMPUS COMMENT

THE YELL LEADER WRITES

December 3, 1931

TO THE EDITOR OF THE BATTALION:—

Is there any chance of me getting a little space in some future issue of the Battalion?

I would like to thank the corps for their support to the yell staff during the past football season.

There is no way to express these thanks except through the Battalion and I might say that I have had several letters from ex-students who seemed to think that the corps sounded better this year than in many a year.

It certainly made me feel good to receive congratulations from such men as "Beaumont" Buck, "Preacher" Durst, "Dutch" Hohn, and "Red" Thompson. They all said that our yelling at the Texas game was better than that of any cadet corps they had heard, barring none.

I also received several letters concerning the formation at the Texas game. All letters were complimentary and it seems that every one liked it fine. I am sorry that the Seniors did not get to make the "T" in the stands but the reason they failed to do this was because the students sold their student tickets and the holders of these tickets had the right to sit in their seats. The Seniors spent their time, while the corps was on the field, moving people to the side lines and having a place vacant for the corps when they came to the stands.

I'm sorry that I did and said things during the season that did not strike the fancy of some of you. Remember, please, that smart people make mistakes sometime so what the hell do you expect of me? Remember that ninety-nine per cent of the pencils sold at A and M have erasers on them. I think they are to erase mistakes. I can't erase mine but please accept my apologies and I am indeed sorry for my mistakes.

Many of the boys on the campus hated to cooperate with the yell staff because they figured that I belonged to a certain secret organization on the campus. May I correct this notion of theirs? Every

year when the Junior Yell Leaders are officially made yell leaders they have to promise the Senior Yell Leader that they will not join these organizations. I made this promise to "Hop" Reynolds and "Freddie" Buford. I have held by my promise and will at all times keep holding to it. I made Tommie and George promise the same to me and Pinkie made the promise at the same time I did, so I may truthfully say that none of the yell staff belong to the so-called fraternities. But to certain men both in and out of these organizations may I thank you personally for your self this past year. You have your own ideas and whether you "are or not" I want to continue to be your friend.

Remember, Ol' Army, that basket ball season is starting and then baseball and track. If you support these sports as in the past years I think every one concerned will be satisfied but remember we lost several basket ball games last year by free shots which were given the visiting team on account of the booing of the corps toward the actions of the officials. At times last year we had reason to do this but remember the referee has us by the "ying-yang" so let's wait until after the game to razz him. After the gun is fired he can't do anything. Help Coach Reid and the basket ball team by remembering this—won't you?

Remember also, Ol' Army, that you have an election for Chief Yell Leader for next year. I don't know who you intend to have fill this place next year but remember that there happens to be a little work attached to the job and be sure you get a man who will do his best. I might say right here for you to elect a man "who will do as I say, not one who will do as I did."

May I recommend that you put a man in the place who has had some experience on the staff 'cause the experience he receives is necessary and I don't believe a man who has not had this experience can handle the job like it should be handled.

To the lucky boys who didn't go on the "December first corps trip" I wish a big year and to the luckier boys who did make the one way trip home I wish you Happy Xmas Holidays and let's of—well let's say—good cats.

To you all, I thank you for the support this year. I consider it the greatest honor to be yell leader for a bunch such as we have here this year. I hope I can come back in future years to see you and be accepted as friend to each one of you underclassmen. And to the Seniors, let's finish this year out by seeing more winning teams. Give your support and see that the others give their support—the teams will do the rest.

Thanks, fellows,
J. U. PARKER,
"Two Gun Herman from Sherman."

Time Drawing Near For Close of Battalion Short Story Competition

Cadets are always bemoaning the fact that they are hard up for ready cash and yet when a sum of money amounting to anywhere from five to twenty dollars is as much as thrown at them, they haven't the energy to raise their heads from their morose mire and seize it. The students of this college have always characterized themselves as being ready with a good story at any time and to hear some of the effluence of bull in any room after call-to-quarters would erase any doubt concerning this statement.

The sums of money mentioned above are to go as prizes for the best short stories turned in to the "Battalion" under the rules of the short story contest. It does not appear difficult to satisfy both of your natures at once, spin a story and win the cash, but then an apology is due you, for you are only college students and cannot be expected to spell the big words necessary for a story of this kind, and it would be a task to keep your diction clean of profanity, vileness, lewdness, etc.

If you think that you can live up to the bragging you have subjected your roommate and other helpless individuals to, just write a story and send it in. Make the week before Christmas "Write-a-short-story-week." All stories must be submitted before January 5, 1932. The rules of the contest are listed below.

1. All contributions must be written on one side of the paper only, in a clear and legible hand. Type-written stories are preferred but are not necessary.
2. The length of the story is variable, up to 2,000 words.
3. All stories to be submitted must be in the office of The Battalion not later than midnight, January 5, 1932.
4. The name of the author will not appear anywhere on any part of the manuscript but will be written on a piece of paper, sealed in an envelope, and enclosed in the same envelope containing the story.
5. Judges for the contest are: Mr. J. F. Abbott, chairman; Mr. C. O. Spriggs, and Mr. S. S. Morgan, all of the department of English.
6. The copyright and future reprinting of all contributions submitted, regardless of whether winning a prize, will be retained by

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Seniors Conduct Night School For Farm Communities

For the benefit of the Brazos County farmers and also to obtain practical experience, the Seniors in Agricultural Education, taking training to be teachers in Vocational Education next year, are holding night schools in Prospect, Sweetana, Reliance, and Steep Hollow Communities one night each week. Round table discussion is held under the supervision of these men on all questions which occur to the farmers, and the experience of other farmers is drawn out by the Seniors as well as additional information supplied by the Seniors to reach the desired decision required by the farmers. This is the third year that schools of this sort have been held and they have proven quite successful and are growing in attendance.

The common problems being dealt with in these schools this year have to do with crops to be substituted for cotton because of

the cotton acreage law and also the underisability of cotton because of the low selling price, and also the producing of a living at home. Having arrived at a solution of the substitution, the problem of how to raise those crops is considered. This process is not only beneficial to the farmers of the county, but is also a source of practical knowledge to the students which will prove useful when teaching Vocational Education in future years.

Tulane's "Tidal Wave," as it may rightfully be called after rolling over 11 grid teams of the South in a manner complimentary to any band of pigskin warriors, bids fair to prove it's right to the title of "Monarchs of the gridiron world" when the tackle the University of Southern California's Trojan's New Year's Day.

Both teams boast players of all-American ability with California holding a slight edge. But the Wave team will be inspired and should win, about Tulane 14, U S C 7.

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