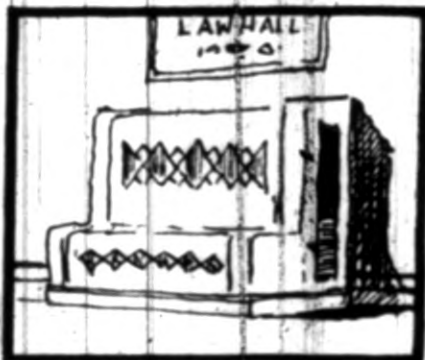


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have followed the paving notes this far, may have surmised, the campus streets were named after Texas governors.

SITTING PRETTY

Other phases of improvement in the campus scene besides the paving activities are in evidence also. There is, to be explicit, a program of landscaping in progress that has already softened considerably the harsher aspects of certain spots of the panorama here, there, and yon. Evergreens flourish where once they were not, breaking the monotony of line, giving grace and symmetry and added beauty to the view. New trees have been planted, some of them seedlings, some of them



mature, year-hung growths of the forest, transplanted with great earth-balls clinging about their wounded but carefully tended roots. And there are the new campus seats, of concrete in-laid with colored tile

design. Six in all so far. Two are at Walton Hall, there is one at each of Law and Puryear Halls, one rests on the knoll that looks from the extension of Houston street toward the college and one is in a bower of foliage at a corner of the rectangle where in the days of the past the band was wont to play at retreat. There is about them an ornamental touch that brightens the view. And they flash a gaiety of color to please the eye and match the mood of loitering moments, a harmony of hues that should, by reason of material used and type of construction employed, endure undimmed the sun and rain and wind of many years.

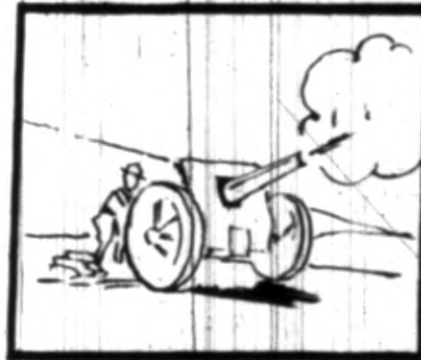
BARTER

In the days before coined money, commerce between individuals, tribes and even nations was carried on by barter in commodities. Even after the advent of money as such, trading in merchandise continued. It still does. There is more than ordinary encouragement for barter in these days and times, money being the item it has become by reason of the well known depression. The press recently carried a story of a farmer who had some honey he didn't need as much as he needed other things. He found a merchant who was willing to trade cotton seed meal for the honey at current market prices, so the exchange was made with

profit to both. A more recent story notes the inauguration of a farmer's "swap day" in an East Texas town. On that day farmers are to bring to town such items and commodities as they care to exchange for commodities their neighbors may have. Every man has an inborn love of trading. A Barlow knife, a top, a piece of colored glass—all represent potential trading values to a boy. Tom Sawyer attained greatness in the realm of trade and barter. He made the task of whitewashing a board fence desirable and sold the privilege to his unsuspecting companions. The desire to possess, he realized at an early age, measures value.

GUNS SPEAK

The ultimate in military tributes, 103 guns in all, roared out across the campus here Saturday, January 7 in honor to the memory of former President Calvin Coolidge who died at Northampton, Mass., January 5. The regular salute on such occasions, which army regulations specify shall be fired on the day following receipt of official notification by all military posts, camps and stations wherever facilities permit, includes thirteen guns at reveille, single guns every half hour



until retreat and forty-eight guns at retreat. In addition, presidential salute of twenty-one guns is fired on the day of the funeral. Ordinarily the body lies in state several days which separates the firing of the sa-

lutes. In this particular instance the day following receipt of notification was also the day of the funeral. Accordingly there were thirteen guns at reveille, half hour guns until the funeral hour, twenty-one guns then, half hour guns until retreat and then forty-eight guns. Such salutes are accorded only on the death of a President or former President. By reason of the sixteen officers and thirty-eight enlisted men of the army stationed here for instruction of the R. O. T. C. unit, Texas A and M College is a military station, and with all other United States army posts, camps, and stations, with facilities to do so, fired the salute. In addition the American flag was lowered to half mast and all army officers will wear official mourning for a month. The final forty-eight guns represent the salute to the Union. Thus it is, in the roar of artillery, that America says: "The President is dead. Long live the Union!"