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## Prepare Now

Last-minute touchdowns in football games this year should prove to students the value of last-minute studying. Though all the grades haven't been tabulated, early reports turned in to the Registrar's Office indicate that a large number of students are not passing the work required in their courses. During the football season most professors make allowances for corps trips and week-end games that detract the students' attention from their studies; but until January 30, no such excuses will be accepted for unprepared assignments.

If freshmen haven't learned college tricks, they may take a hint from upperclassmen: increased interest and hard work in the few remaining weeks of this term will have more weight than the December 1 report in determining the final grade.

## What Price Victory?

The Southwest Conference football season this year has furnished excellent material for conversation and editorials as well as being the accustomed target for galleys of comment by sports writers throughout this section. However, one very definite thing it brings to mind is that we as teams, student bodies, alumni, and just fans have been unable to bear thought of losing a contest. Our one aim and hope has been to emerge victorious from every engagement. It is impossible for both teams to win a game and those who supported the losing team have not been hesitant in vindicating any person or thing that happens to be within reach. As for searching out the real cause of failure, little thought has been applied in that direction.

Those who play the game with their mouths have succeeded in blaming coaches and players alike without stopping long enough to analyze the situation as it really exists. After all, is a victory the only thing that counts? It is great, all right enough, but is it the only thing that is really worth while? If that were the case, the first tendencies would be towards poor sportsmanship since winning, at any cost, would be the goal. However, we must stop to realize that, in the case of football and other athletic teams, the team that has the best material, the least number of injuries, and the best coach is favored to win for these reasons. Not any one of these things would be enough in itself to cause a victory or defeat. Like a machine, a football team must be built of good parts and then carefully cared for if the maximum efficiency is expected. A team may meet these requirements and still fail to turn in victories. Why? Because of breaks, perhaps, but more often than not because the opposing team operates more smoothly and capably.

An outstanding illustration of the wishy-washiness of speculators and supporters came to light as a result of the Baylor-S M U tilt in Dallas this year. Rumors, from fairly reliable sources, have it that Baylor backers were determined to oust Morley Jennings as the Bear coach if Baylor lost the game. Fortunately, for Coach Jennings, Baylor won the game in the last few seconds of play. That night the Bear mentor was royally entertained and praised at a banquet in his honor; all thoughts of criticism were forgotten with the sweet tastes of victory. Is it sportsmanlike to always demand a winner? Aren't we big enough and open-minded enough to appreciate a well fought and fairly played game? Shouldn't we recognize real prowess where it exists and give the opposing team, when victorious, credit for playing hard and fast? When beaten, let's admit to ourselves and those around us that there was a better team than our own. Believe it or not, most contests are not lost because of the inefficiency of one team but because of the super-efficiency of the winning team.

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### THE PASSING REVIEW

Perhaps there is no room on the campus which is so widely used as the Asbury Room in the Library. The room is in use practically every night by those clubs which meet for intellectual purposes. No social clubs are allowed to hold their meetings there. The Asbury Room has equipment for the making of coffee and lunches for the members of the clubs which meet there. T. F. Mayo, Librarian stated he wished more of the clubs would make coffee while their meetings were being held. Those clubs and societies which hold their meetings in the Asbury Room are the Press Club, the Graduate Club, Marketing and Finance Club, Scholarship Honor Society, A and M College Little Theater Club, Accounting Society, The Junco, The Round Table, the Scribblers, and the Hillel Club.

As Asbury Room was named after Mr. Samuel Asbury, chemist in the Experiment Station, who has willed his large collection of music, paintings, books, one of the best photographic collections in the State of Texas, four Steinway pianos, a collection of the historical background of Texas, a radio and an electric phonograph.

For the last fifteen years, Dr. Asbury has been working on a musical drama based on early history of Texas from the Alamo to the battle of San Jacinto. Dr. Asbury hopes to finish his composition by 1936. The music drama will be divided into five parts; each part of which will represent different historical developments of Texas.

When H. C. Boyd, negro instructor in a vocational school in St. Louis announced a special course in highballs and cocktails for negro butlers, the Board of Education put its foot down and said, No.

GODWIN . . . Just a little more praise to the "FLYIN' MARE" on kickin' that field goal last Thursday—the only one the seniors have seen kicked for A and M in their four football seasons at dear old Aggieland . . . Now we can all turn our eyes to basketball—JOE MERKA, elongated captain of the team this year, should be the outstanding center in the Southwest . . . let's hope the same for the entire team, because we're a few years late on the basketball crown we have been waiting for . . . And those two FIGHTING IRISHMEN we have overlooked to date . . . ZER0 GREENBERG and "SLOT MACHINE" JOE EDZLMAN . . . since when did the cadet colonel get the monicker "PRETTY BOY" HOLMES . . . ask "GANDER" HARDING for the details . . . and from the crowd from Cuero comes the news about "PIP" McLEOD playing second fiddle to the home-town lad . . . another crack at another BALDY . . . have you heard about "CORPS DANCE" HILDEBRANDT having his photo made with the flags of the unit on the right hand side . . . who made the remark that JOHNNY WEAVER was mixing business with pleasure . . . better watch ZILCH, Johnny . . . what causes all of the mechanical engineers, assistants, juniors, and even one senior electrical engineer to hang around the main office in the M E Building . . . the magazines? And for once in the history of A and M's corps dances there wasn't enough stags . . . an insert for Ripley's "Believe it or Not".

BLUE GOOSE . . . The Royal Order of the Blue Goose lost a gosling this week when JACK SLOAN, gosline of the First Battalion Infantry, was made a first lieutenant on the Infantry Regimental Staff . . . Who was the damsel that Kicked CLARENCE HUS-

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"Storm At Daybreak"  
with KAY FRANCIS AND NILS ASTHER  
Wednesday, December 13



Assembly Hall  
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SEY out the car door and then threw his hat out after him but ended it all by swiping a large photo of the same sed male? . . . and WILKIE ADSIT RAMBO came back after having a hilarious time during the holidays to find a letter from his best girl addressed to his roommate.



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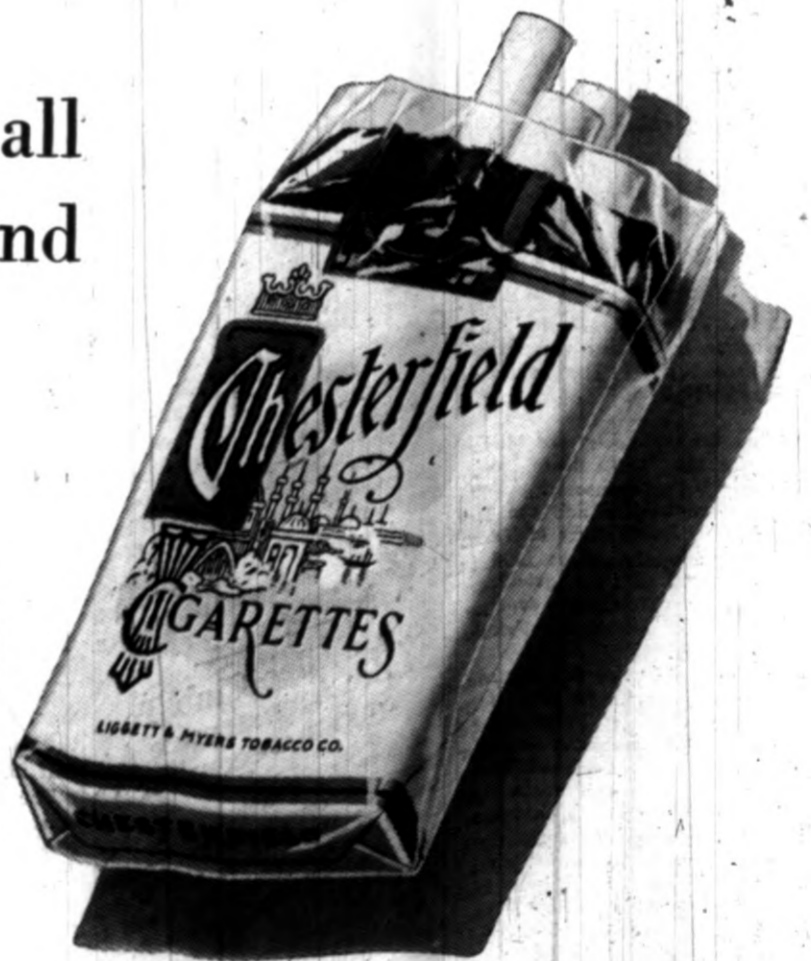
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