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Mess Hall Situation

It is apparent that whole hearted cooperation should exist between the mess hall and the students, as the two are entirely dependent on each other. There are a few facts that possibly have not been revealed and for that reason the student body is ignorant of existing conditions.

At the beginning of the year the mess hall had over 6,000 glasses on hand and has purchased over 4,800 since that time. At the present there are less than 3,600 glasses on hand. Since the first of January, over 839 glasses have been lost and only 22 per cent of these by breakage. When honey was served for the first time this year, 19 new sirup pitchers were missing the first day. According to the records, the amount of equipment, excluding glasses, far exceeds any other year in the history of the school, and more glasses have been lost since January first than in two years put together. Food prices have advanced 17 per cent since the first of the year. Now these are the cold hard facts.

It doesn't take differential calculus to tell us that someone has to foot the bill. All the bills at the mess hall are met from the receipts of maintenance payments, so it is evident that we are bearing the burden and suffering because someone wants to have a modern pantry in his room. It is to be remembered that the amount of maintenance is determined from the prices of food and from figures of the past years. From this we can deduct that there are two possible solutions as far as the mess hall is concerned. They must either reduce the quantity of the food or raise the amount of maintenance. Again we are the sufferers.

The students don't deliberately steal the equipment but it is taken in a spirit of play or a desire to put one over on the door guards. The mess hall cannot afford to take disciplinary action nor can they prorate the equipment on the student body. The main reason is that the students wouldn't stand for it. Other departments of the college make no bones about cragging students for damaged equipment and even go as far as to deduct charges from one's pay check without his consent. The mess hall gives us our hanquets and allows us the use of the floor for dances. They are ready to cooperate in any way possible. They employ a large body of students for labor and give us more and better food than we could possibly find for the same price. Let's help them by returning their property so they in return may give us better meals and not raise the maintenance payments.

Minor Sports

To induce A and M students to participate in various sports, the Athletic Council has incurred a large expense in increasing the number of minor sports as a part of its athletic program. As the success or adequacy of a college athletic program should be measured by the number of students that take part in recreational activities, we heartily endorse the policy of the Council.

In addition, not only are minor sports deserving of more recognition—the participants should be given greater encouragement by being rewarded for their achievements. A and M students should take advantage of the recreational facilities provided them—that's all the Athletic Council asks in return for its efforts. It seems unnecessary, however, to urge students to take part in anything that is so obviously a benefit to them.

This Language We Call English

By H. G. Seelgison

As a general rule American students find some difficulty in learning foreign languages, but after a glance at a few of the idiosyncrasies of our own mother tongue we should be hesitant to criticize peculiarities in French, German, Spanish, and other foreign languages.

A recent issue of the Atlantic Monthly contained an interesting article by a Frenchman who had moved to this country. The Frenchman went on to say that he had fairly well mastered the language of the Americans but that he was forced to admit that certain irregularities made it more than a little difficult. The writer said upon first coming to this country he read in a story where a man who was standing on a hill "overlooked the valley." The author's original conception of the word "overlooked" was in the sense that in packing a bag one overlooks a hat or book, however, upon further investigation he found the definition "to view from a point of vantage." In other words, he is told that the one word "overlook" means to see something and it also means to fail to see something.

Another, and perhaps more confusing word, is the English word, "fast." A horse tied to a post is considered "fast," a horse that travels at a high rate of speed is said to be "fast," colors that do not fade are "fast," a person with loose morals is "fast," and to "fast" is to do without food or drink.

Even such a brief examination of the more outstanding peculiarities of our English language is enough to make us squirm uneasily when we hear someone speak of difficulties in learning other languages or when we hear foreigners criticized for "butchering the King's English!"

AGGIES TO FINISH FIRING ON HEARST TROPHY BY APRIL 6

Rifle Team to Complete Firing on the National Intercollegiate Match by April 3.

The first two men of the number one Hearst Trophy team will finish their scores by April 3, and the remaining three members will complete their shooting by April 6, according to First Lieutenant J. E. Reiser, coach of the Aggie marksmen. As a result of recent illness, two members are not yet at their best, but it is expected that they will be in shape in time to take their places in the match.

States making up this section of the Hearst match are Washington, Idaho, California, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Colorado, Utah, Oklahoma, Montana, Hawaii, Wyoming, and Texas. Coach Reiser states that he is very optimistic over the team's chances, as the rifle team won two weeks ago from last year's winner, the University of New York, whose score of 948 was high in the United States. Also included in the list of teams whose scores were beaten by the Aggies that week were the United States Naval Academy and West Point, who finished ten and fourteen points respectively, below the Aggies' score. Chief rivals this year will be the University of Washington, University of Oregon, Washington State, Stanford, and the University of California.

Representing A and M on the first team will be: C. P. Henley, Fort Worth, or L. R. Sayers, San Antonio, in the number one position; K. A. Tucker, Burkburnett, number two; Roy Huffaker, San Antonio, number three; T. J. Guerdum, San Antonio, number four; and C. A. Tosch, Mesquite, captain, in the number five position. The first stage of the National Intercollegiate match was also finished this past week, the second and third stages of which will be concluded this week, and the fourth and last stage to be finished by April 7. Though firing this match largely for practice on the Hearst, the Aggies have an excellent chance of finishing at the top.

Dr. Walton Improves From Short Illness

Dr. T. O. Walton, president of the college, having been confined to the bed for several days with influenza, has shown quite an improvement in the last two days.

After catching cold last week, Dr. Walton was unable to escape the "flu," and had to go to bed Thursday. He is much better now and will likely be able to return to work the latter part of this week or the first of next week.

Accounting Students Hear Howell Explain "Personnel Records"

E. J. Howell, registrar of A and M College, spoke to the Accounting Society in the Asbury room of the library Tuesday evening on "Personnel Records of the Registrar's Office." Mr. Howell illustrated his talk with large scale graphs and other statistical data. The main portion of the discussion was devoted to the use and value of psychological tests given each freshman class.

Mr. Howell tied his talk on personnel records for colleges up with the problems that confront similar departments in large business organizations. He also gave detailed explanations as to exactly what information is recorded on each student's permanent record card and stressed that it is the purpose of his staff to preserve those records in such a way as to have them available for effective use for more than a hundred years, in fact, indefinitely.

THREE DIE FOR HAYSTACK FIRE

Berlin, Germany.—Three political prisoners were executed by the axe. One was accused of setting fire to a barn and haystack.

Chicago, Mar. 28.—The average college student of today is three years younger than the undergraduate of a generation ago, according to Dr. Louis L. Thurstone of the University of Chicago.

The English broadcasters are imitating our popular radio comedians. There's the monologue writer who asks his audience: "Could you, perhaps, be interested in purchasing a web-footed, short-legged water fowl?"

Aeronautical Club Shown Flying Film

An unusual film, "Teaching Young Americans to Fly," was shown by the Aeronautical Club in the Assembly Hall Tuesday evening. The film was lent to the club by the War Department of Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio. Col. Emery, who was instrumental in obtaining the film, was in charge of its safety while it was at A and M.

The film portrayed the progress of the enlisted student from ground school through advanced school, from recruit to commissioned pilot. The picture was of peculiar interest because it was of wartime production, and the equipment then in use was made to appear foolish by our present day fighting planes and training methods. An excellent contrast between the old and new in flying was afforded those interested in flying progress.

The showing of the film, originally intended for Monday evening, was delayed because of the disappearance of the lens from a projection machine in the M E Building.

GATHRIGHT SITE BEING CONVERTED INTO GARDEN SPOT

Campus Beautification Plans Call for Preservation of Gathright Foundation as Border for Sunken Garden.

Even though the old Gathright Hall has been torn down and the area is now to be beautified, the old foundations are to be preserved in the beautification plans. The old site is to be made into a sunken garden very similar to the sunken area between Law and Puryear Halls, with the old foundations as the borders around the sunken portion, according to F. W. Hensel, who is in charge of the beautification program of the campus.

Sidewalks are to be placed through the garden along about the same lines that the paths have previously followed, and shrubs and flowers are to be planted to beautify the corner. This planting will cover the bare walls of the Exchange Store Building and add immensely to the beauty of the campus, especially at this popular corner near the Mess Hall. Work is progressing rapidly on the job and is to be completed in a few weeks.

Leaving the old foundation walls, this landmark of the first building of the A and M College will remain for the memories of those who did not want to see the old building go. For many, this old building represented their dormitory, class rooms, mess hall; and the offices of the college.

Other areas on the campus to be beautified under this present program are: between the Aggie Inn and Walton Hall, the Textile Building and the M. E. Building, around the Animal Industries Building, around the Chemistry Building, and the front of the new Administration Building which is about half completed.

Emery To Speak To Cosmopolitans Sunday Afternoon

M. A. Haddad, Arabia, president of the Cosmopolitan Club, has announced that on Easter Sunday the club will hear Lt. Colonel A. R. Emery speak on "National Defense in the United States" at its regular meeting in the Y M C A parlors at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The remainder of the program will include a talk on Czechoslovakia by F. J. Malina, Brenham, and an Easter party with music by members of the Aggie Band.

N Y C Department Condemns Collegians As Snow Shovelers

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Men with college education are poor snow shovelers, the Department of Sanitation of New York reports. This is especially true of men under thirty. No department has yet been formed for snow shoveling. Suppose after such a department is set up and the faculty assembled, a new snow plough is invented? In that case, would not a graduate snow shoveler be in the same boat as an engineer, an architect, a broker or a graduate from a business school?

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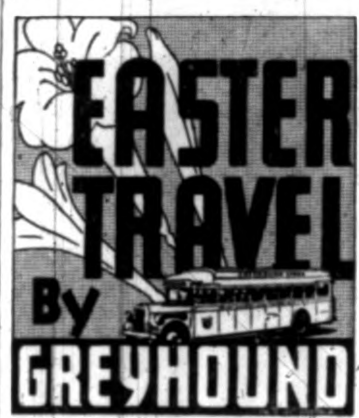
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