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Community Chest

We are making a special appeal this year, as in former years, for students to make a small contribution to the College Community Chest. We are doing this first, because we feel that the students want to make some small contribution to the Community activities represented in the Community Chest Budget, and second because we have some items in the Budget that we think the students are directly interested in. One is the Student Welfare Fund. This fund is not a loan fund to help pay maintenance or tuition for any students because it is too small. It is a fund to assist individual students in special stress or need. During the past year this fund sent one student with a fractured skull to Dallas for special treatment in the medical school hospital there—treatment that would perhaps cost the students three or four hundred dollars more had he had to pay the bill. The fund helped one group of students who were burned out, to remain in school by getting them enough supplies that they could continue their course in A and M. It also assisted in salvaging the uniform material in the dormitories at the end of the school year. Students of limited means were aided to the sum of four or five hundred dollars by this one plan.

Sometimes the fund can be used to get an article of uniform or book for a needy student who could not get it otherwise. The Administrators of this fund will at all times appreciate suggestions from students as to how the fund may be used for maximum benefit to students or to a student in greatest need. All the money the students give will be designated to this fund. The faculty members will add other money to the fund. Of course the fund is small when it comes to help a student body as large as the one at A and M, but by wise use of these funds much constructive work can be done during the year.

We would not embarrass the students in any way giving to this fund. Contribution will be entirely voluntary. The College Community Chest will appreciate any response given by the students. If the students should give five cents each, that would mean \$150. We do not believe it will hurt or embarrass any student to give that much. We are placing the student quota at \$100.

Sincerely yours,
DANIEL RUSSELL

For College Community Chest Com.

The Band

Favorable comment has been lately registered in several circles regarding the splendid appearance and performance of the band at football games.

With their uniforms immaculate, their instruments shined, and their formations effortlessly smooth the cadet musicians have proved themselves a splendid advertisement for A and M. The color of reviews, parades, and lunch formations is to be greatly intensified with the appearance of this unit.

Thus we seek to commend, and to compliment!

Praise is not our sole idea, however. This standard of performance is a challenge to the whole corps.

If every company, if every troop, and if every battery were as well aware of the importance of a good appearance, as is the band, we feel sure that the military stock of this institution would skyrocket to one hundred per cent improvement.

Better Food!

That the improvement of mess hall dishes over last year's standard has escaped any individual, we are reluctant to believe.

Meats and salads are undeniably better! With the acquisition of a better corps of cooks, and with the installation of new equipment, "bullneck" and "rabbit" have received unprecedented popularity.

Although maintenance fees were raised this year, the corresponding rise in food prices more than offsets the additional student expense, and subsistence authorities are thus deserving of our good favor.

Students may encourage the accentuation of this improvement by a simple, but sufficient, move. They may help us to provide more money for mess hall use by refraining from the practice of "carrying out" mess hall property.

We are supposed to be good sports.

More Dependable Identification

Not a few men in the army will frown upon the suggestion of Lieut. C. L. Whittle of Fort Ontario, N. Y., that all service men be tattooed with identification marks. But the military authorities can hardly be blamed for regarding the plan with favor.

Modern warfare is so destructive and requires the use of such a large number of men that identifying the dead and wounded is an extremely difficult task. Tags that were used during the World War were often lost.

Of course even tattoo markings will be obliterated in many cases. Substances used in modern projectiles sometimes leave the skin seared, and some explosives are so powerful that they tear bodies to mere fragments. But usually it would be possible to identify at least the part of the victim on which the tattoo sign is placed.

In time of war many men are called into service who return to civil life if they survive hostilities. While there are some who would not like to bear a tattoo mark the rest of their lives, many, no doubt, would regard such marks as insignia of honor.

On some occasions soldiers are used for spy service, and sent behind the enemy lines in disguise. This practice is not so general, however, as it once was. Perhaps there could be in each army a certain number of untattooed men available for this purpose.

—Dallas Times Herald

SCHOOL SCOOPS

While his famous father, the cowboy humorist, epitomizes, Will Rogers, Jr., is preparing to publish current world events in his own magazine at Stanford University, Calif. Young Rogers will himself finance the sixteen-page weekly news magazine which he will attempt to sell to the Stanford students. He plans to publish 1200 copies each week, handling all the editorial work himself. Which goes to show that all "big shots" sons don't try to live on their dad's reputations. At least Will Rogers will have one paper to carry his column.

"In the nine years that the corps trip custom has been in existence at T C U, the favored destination has been Aggie land," so says THE SKIFF, T C U student publication, "and from all reports they have been royally entertained every time, especially the co-eds." Little Jack Little can easily explain this with his ever popular song, "There's Something About a Soldier". Welcome again, Christians! Aside from a good football team you also have some beautiful co-eds.

Perhaps this big, bad, depression has its good points after all. Out of 188 colleges and universities, 157 have found that their students make better grade on intelligent tests now than in the pre-depression period. Maybe Dad can take a hint from this statistical finding in that the less money son has to raise Cain on, the more he will study.

Five thousand people packed the stadium of the West Texas State Teachers College Saturday morning to hear Ruth Bryan Owen speak as a mark of honor to the parents of the present and the past students of the institution.

Members of the sophomore, junior and senior classes at Harvard do not have to attend classes unless they want to. Moreover they are not required to take the half-term exams in November and April. This is the innovation of a plan of Dr. Conant to secure the most brilliant young men in the country as Harvard freshmen. This plan weeds out the loafers and makes the student body rely on its own interest to get its lessons. President Conant hopes to have 10 per cent of each first year class made up of such students.

Award of the honorary degree of human letters to Professor Albert Einstein this week was announced by the Yeshiva College, known as the only Jewish liberal arts college in the country.

If you think the upper classmen are a bit overenthused in their hazing, it may or may not be a good suggestion to follow the plan of thirty Adelbert freshmen who came upon a sophomore on the corner of Euclid and E. 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. They waded into the said sophomore, Carl Bonfils, and when they backed away there stood Carl, sans pants, blushing to the roots of his hair. Pulling his sweater down as far as possible he hot-footed it for the nearest police station where he was rescued by fellow classmates.

The College of the City of New York (N. Y.) and Purdue (Ind.) really take their ROTC training seriously, having gone so far as to erect airports on their campus and

offer flying courses.

October 23 was a holiday at St. Thams' school because an alumnus received a check for \$500 at the White House. The check represents the first prize in the sixth annual Gorgas National essay contest. The alumnus was George A. Delhomme, Jr., 16, now a freshman at the University of Texas. Delhomme received the check directly from President Roosevelt.

Purple and white are colors designed by twenty-four colleges in the United States this year.

The town of Roscoe takes things seriously when it comes to sending students to college. This little west Texas town of 1200 population has fourteen students in Hardin-Simmons college.

An advertisement in an Abilene, Texas paper brings forth the fact that fish do not sleep. They are unable to close their eyes. (You should see some of the fish at A and M.)

The current issue of the New York Entomology Society contains an article by W. D. Funkhouser, of Kentucky U., on "New Membracidae from Africa". The paper is one of a series which Dr. Funkhouser is publishing in various scientific journals describing the material which he secured on his recent collecting trip around the world.

The number of students who will graduate from the regular session of T S C W at Denton for 1934-35 represents an increase of 25 per cent over the 1933-34 session. There is a 150 per cent gain in the number of students applying for bachelor of arts degrees.

With the century mark passed, the veterinary department at Michigan State is having its greatest success in history. There are now 101 undergraduates and four students striving for higher learning enrolled in the department.

Heated debates have been held at the University of Kansas since several upper classmen have circulated a petition that "hazing be abolished on the ground that it is

detrimental to the new students and interferes with their getting the proper view of college life that is so necessary to success and enjoyment." We agree with these upperclassmen. It does cause an unpleasant feeling at the seat of learning.

At Roanoke the Goldfish Club was organized to promote better feeling between college groups. Each member has to swallow a live gold fish as part of his initiation. Probably the other part of the initiation is getting it back up again.

The college of William and Mary at Williamsburg, Va., at which President Roosevelt recently gave an address, has given us three presidents. Thomas Jefferson, class of 1762, James Monroe, and John Tyler, class of 1807. Phi Beta Kappa, the first intercollegiate fraternity, was founded at this college in 1776.

The newest thing on the gridiron is training to the tempo of the college band. This is being introduced at Notre Dame by Elmer Layden as an experiment. If it works we'll soon read the head-

lines "Notre Dame beats Georgia Tech to the tune of 'Marching Through Georgia'."

The Smithsonian Institute in Washington has announced the discovery that many stars give off "death rays" which would wipe out life on earth were they not destroyed before reaching the surface of the globe by a layer of ozone high in the earth's atmosphere.

Every man succeeds in finding a satisfactory reason for his follies.

There are at least 32 of the known elements in sea water.

Nothing gives us quite the same thrill as being offered a fifty-cent cigar without comment.

Every idealist is looking for a materialist to back him.

AGGIES
Lets Take Those
PORKERS
HRDLICKA'S
Sandwiches - Cold Drinks
On Houston Highway
South of College

GIG 'EM AGGIES!
THE CAMPUS CLEANERS

Over Exchange Store

Shorty Halbrooks

Joel English



"Please tell women smokers more about Old Gold's throat-ease" says Claudette Colbert

CLAUDETTE COLBERT in Cecil B. De Mille's "CLEOPATRA," a Paramount Picture

AGGIES
Bring Your
Friends
and
Visitors
to
MRS. PARKHILL'S
CAFE
Go to the North Gate and
Turn Right

GIG THOSE PORKERS
We're Behind You, Aggies
SOL FRANK COMPANY
Next to Parkhill's Cafe
Uniforms of Distinction
Alterations a Specialty
Publix Shirts — Special \$1.49

ASTRONOMY
STARS AND NEBULAE ARE INCANDESCENT BODIES — THE STARS ARE GENERALLY SPHERICAL

WE KNOW THAT THESE BODIES VARY A GREAT DEAL IN SIZE — ETC., ETC.

THE ONLY WAY TO DETERMINE THE MOTION OF A HEAVENLY BODY IS TO COMPARE ITS POSITION AT TWO DIFFERENT EPOCHS

PIPE-ONOMY
AND EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT STAR OF THE SMOKING TOBACCOS — **PRINCE ALBERT**

AFTER EVERY CLASS IT RINGS THE BELL!
IF YOUR PIPE unkindly bites your tongue, change to Prince Albert. "P.A." is blended by a special process which removes all trace of "bite." Try a tin yourself. You will like the mild, mellow flavor of the top-quality tobaccos. You will like its delightful fragrance. Briefly, you will like Prince Albert.

PRINCE ALBERT
— THE NATIONAL JOY SMOKE!

Corps Dance Saturday Night