Editor Battalion Texas A. & M. College College Station, Texas

I wish to submit the following for your considof publication in an issue of the Battalion.
TRAVELING THE AGGIE WAY

Every one knows college students are not rich "kids" and are anxious to help them when they can. At A. & M. this chance for the public to help the Aggies is very noticeable in hitchhiking. An Aggie puts on a uniform and soon he is on a corner and some one helps them out by giving them a ride, thus saving them money and taking them where

I am an ex Aggie and travel weekly between Dallas-Houston, and Waco to Houston, often times the trip falls on a week end and I always carry two Aggies with me in my coupe. I've been doing this since 1933 and always the Aggies were gentlemen when I picked them up. They were always on one corner in Dallas, Waco, Bryan and Houston and I looked to meeting some Aggies on these corners.

school any Aggie who would stoop to this was kept in the Bull Ring a semester. The school was small and we could tell who was doing the so called upstreaming. Every year this is getting worse. This year it is a disgrace. In Bryan it looks like hell. On every corner there are Aggies, just one or two, but they are Aggies. This burns me up and I won't ever possible, at a time such that most radio listen-pick up an Aggie in Bryan except on the corner ers would not be disturbed—for instance, late at north of the courthouse and going South I always pick sime one up at the "Y" where the new lights are. If these Aggies must upstream, tell them to take off their uniforms. That uniform represents Aggies true and they are not true Aggies when they are taking advantage of other students.

Seems to me the captain of a company could keep his boys from upstreaming. In our company meetings from 1928 to 1932 our captains always warned us of this and there was no upstreaming! Why can't this be done now? Surely a captain still can keep his company on the line. So, why not have a senior meeting or discuss it at the next senior meeting and stop the upstreaming. It's giving A. M. a terrible black eye to every one who drives through Bryan. Not only it is bad in Bryan but also in Waco, Houston, Madisonville, Hearne, and Austin, as well as my home town, Dallas.

The word Aggies has always meant a body of students who stuck together. Let's keep it that way. HAROED R. KINNANT

CHRISTMAS LEAVE

morning will be a desolute and quiet little village

Night" have been sailing back and forth over the practice. It gives anyone who has any appreciation campus at eleven o'clock ever night since the of music a thrill to hear the beautiful singing of Thanksgiving holidays were over. The school sing these fish. We compliment them on the fine obser-

holiday spirit up still higher.

Particularly glad to get off for a couple of weeks will be the 2,000 Fish who have had to spend three months away from home, something Dr. T. F. Mayo's Column which they haven't as yet gotten used to. To a majority of the older students it will mean getting back to the old cronies and "gals" and away from studies a while. Emerson said "travel" was the "land 'O dreams" and may each student upon ending his travels back home, be it to Bryan or Paducah, find those dreams

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ELECTRIC RAZORS

Most razors create havoc—in the form of loud buzzing and terrific static—on all radios on that electric circuit. This interference with the radio programs to which people are trying to listen is certainly most approxime.

We are not trying to discourage the use of such conveniences, which are really quite convenient and are coming into widespread use; we are simply trying to combat the thoughtless, inconsiderate use of them which plays such mischief with the hundreds of radios here at college. So if you would do your friends who own radios a big favor, why don't you adopt one or more of the following suggestions?

First-If you get an electric shaver some time Since 1936 upstreaming started, When I was in the future, purchase one of the latest models that is specially constructed so as not to interfere with radio reception.

Second-Get one of the new- cheap, small electric condensers that eliminate most or all of the

Third—Use your electrical equipment, when-ever possible, at a time such that most radio listennight or early in the morning.

out these simple remedies, radio reception would improve, and all who listen to radios—and they If you who have these appliances would just try number many-would be much obliged.

TRADITION

This year the "fish" of a mumber of the military the face from his room. organizations are falling down sadly in the way they greet the Christmas season. In past years it has been a fine custom that the "fish" of each outfit gather, outside their dormitories each night at "Taps" during the two weeks preceding Christmas holidays, and sing, solemnly as hefitted the occasion

Twelve medical men are held 85 tons. and as harmoniously as possible, some of the most beautiful and familiar Christmas carols—particularly "Silent Night".

But this year the fish of many outfits have been mocking and desecrating this solemn, almost religious occasion by singing in the most careless, frivolous, inharmonious manner conceivable. Some have even gone so far as to sing the entirely inappropriate "swing" tunes "Flat Foot Flogie" and "Atisket Atasket", which though popular as swing The population of the newly incorporated city are all too out-of-place for this occasion. The enof College Station will decrease around 5,500 Saturday as students "take off" for the holidays. What
ship and joy and at the same time a certain dignity,
formerly looked like a hustling metropolis Saturday is lost through such a mockery of the old tradition.

But at this time we wish to congratulate the Saturday afternoon as only occasionally a passerby fish of a few organizations who still preserve the blots the scene. Christmas spirit has been in the air for many in the manner of their singing, and still try to sing days. The strains of "Jingle Bells" and "Silent with the best harmony that can be obtained, with held in Guion Hall Sunday afternoon boosted the vance of a good tradition and express the wish that

After a long drouth, relieved by an occasional good novel, American fiction seems to be freshen-ing up again. Among the Library's new books, three volumes of short stories ought to appeal to the Aggie in search of elegant entertainment. They are "Southways" by Erskine Caldwell, "The Long Valley" by John Steinbeck, and "The Fifth Column' by Ernest Hemingway.

As a matter of fact the phrase "elegant entertainment" would, I am sure, he justly resented by all three of these authors. The gentlemen are in terribly-in ernest. Caldwell's little tales of South-Advertising rates upon request.

Office in Room 122, Administration Building in the face—that is, if you care enough about the thorse College 8. Office open from 11 a. m. South to want it to be a place where everybody Represented for national advertising by National Advertising Service, Inc., 420 Madison Ave., bout the "Southland". Realism, however, is said to
have crossed the Potomac, headed south, in Ellen
have crossed the Potomac, headed south, in Ellen EDFTOE IN-CHIEF Glasgow's novels about fifteen years ago. Today, ADVERTISING MANAGER apparently, realism is very much at home in the Faulkner's terrific novels, notably "Sanctuary" and "Light in August", first ripped the lid off the Deep South. Out came what usually accumulates under tightly closed lids—an extremely bad smell. Caldwell is somewhat different. He cares more deeply about the suffering and injustice which he depicts than does the aristocratically sardonic Faulkner. Caldwell's reader gets the feeling, somehow, that some-thing can and perhaps will be done about these awful things. And if the reader is much of a guy he feels, I thing, that he would like to help do it. John Steinbeck, of "Of Mice and Men" fame,

is a smoother writer than Caldwell. His stories don't take quite so much complacent skin off. "The Long Tom Darrow Sports Assistant Valley" is in much greater danger than "Southways" Bill Murray Junior Editor of being described by lady book reviewers (male and female) as a "beautiful" book. The group of B. F. Rogers, A. J. Carroll, N. A. Moore, M. G. stories called "The Red Pony", told from the point Fuermann, H. G. Tolbot, W. J. Sandidge, J. R. of view of a small boy on a California ranch, are Scott, Lewis Chevaillier, W. T. Guy, George Nasmellow and fragrant and strong with the smell of
maner, R. A. Shields, Carter Beam, J. A. Stansell,
the Western earth and the beasts thereof. But Steinbeck shows what he can do in a harder mood in
Wise, Bill Whall, M. H. Robinson, R. E. Sparks.

B. P. Davenport, J. W. Jenkins, L. J. Wahrle
of us understand once for all why people go in for

Junior Editor invariably say, "needs no introduction". (You know, Junior Editor he's the fellow that wrote that piece in Esquire).

Junior Editor "The Fifth Column" gives the title to a grown Billy Clarker. midst of the Spanish Civil War. In fact Mr. Hemingway wrote them so deeply in the thick of events as to admit that he himself is not sure of their quality. Mr. Hemingway, sir, you needn't have

In a way, electric razors are like the weather. Everybody talks about them—about the way they interfere with radio reception in the halls—yet no-body ever does anything about it.

certainly most annoying. This may seem too small a grievance to be aired in The Battalion. We ask the reader, however: Did you ever try to hear a good radio program at the same time an electric shaver, or for that matter, some other electrical appliance, was creating interference? How did you feel about it?

KICKING HIM OUT!

Paul A. Misch, Ohio State Uni- by a single vote margin.

in readiness at all Harvard home

One-third of the University of totalitarian government. Chicago students prefer symphonic music to swing.

registered with the NYA employ- 21,000 words. ment service in October, only one per cent were college graduates. A recent survey revealed 37 zation of athletes.

The Colgate University senor The book value of Harvard Uni-

versity, has volunteered to paint South Dakota State College stu-the campus tower clock free of dents eat on an average of 100 ice charge, so he'll be able to read cream cones daily.

Students of Texas State College ary is asking students to give jungles in all their phases, both for Women are playing Santa crutches for use of crippled or in-

The Catawba College yearbook football games to aid injured play- is called, "The Swastika," but has no connection with a well-known

The Williams College news bureau, in one football weekend, dis-Of the 13,225 young people who patched stories totaling more than A majority of St. Lawrence

University students favor subsidiper cent of Northwestern Univer- Sixty-four years ago Roanoke sity's co-eds go barelegged to College Students were offered

board for \$6,50.

class presidential election was won versity this year is \$137,157,835.44.

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DEATH IN THE JUNGLE

Small boys dream of thrilling has visited with Indian rajahs in adventure in the jungles, and their magnificent palaces has grown men explore them in search hunted in the tropic forest, and of riches. Like poisoned wise, the has come in close contact with the jungle lures men to taste of its lurking deaths of the jungle. beauty—its luxuriant vegetation, its colorful birds and animals, its exotic atmosphere—but little do the birds are more brightly color-ed—and the deaths are more horri-

us snakes, with swarms of cts, and with dreaded d about which we know little if anything. One of the most dreaded is elephantiasis, a disease in which a limb or some other part of the body swells to an enormous size, making a hideous monster out of what was once a normal human being. There is another gruesome disease in which the body b infested with worms two to four feet long that crawl about the body and finally emerge at the wrist, where the head of the worm may be slowly pulled out and wrap ped around a stick, by means of which the still ugly length may, with luck, be pulled out of the body without breaking off. Sleeping sickness, beri-beri, and leprosy are some of the other horrors the tropics hold. A. & M. College, through the

Biology Club, was fortunate in having a man lecture here last Thurs-The Syracuse University infirm- day who has seen the tropic Asa Chandler of Rice Institute, an outstanding pathologist, bacteriologist, and parasitologist, who is particularly interested in tropic diseases and has spent a number of years in India and other countries, where he has studied these

ACCORDING TO A NOTED dietitian, horse-faced girls never make good cooks, and baby-faced damsels become fat women.

canals. The city is the eastermost in South America



DOWN G PRICES

Slacks

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One of the real joys of the holiday season is the op-portunity it gives us of doing something for other people and making them happy.

Christmas comes year after year, and it will continue to come. You are going to do everything possible AS LONG AS YOU LIVE to have a good Christmas in your home.

How wonderful it would be to provide this good time for Mary and Jack, even though you have gone on to your reward. You can guarantee this simply the savings of a few cents a day.

As the shadows of the old year lengthens into memories, may you have a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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