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We Need Y Facilities; WE COULD HAVE THEM

We understand that the building committee of the college Board of Directors is considering a request from the Y.M.C.A. Committee to use the old Consolidated High School building on the campus for supplementary Y.M.C.A. facilities until such time as the new \$300,000 Y.M.C.A. which is planned for the college may be realized.

That's a highly practical request. The Battalion, for the student body, wishes to urge that it be granted.

For a sum of only \$500, the high school building, not now in use, can be repaired, furnished with pool tables and equipment for office, reading, assembly and club meeting rooms—all of which are sorely needed.

The new dormitories as yet are serviced with no such facilities nearby. The College Y.M.C.A. is always overcrowded. Student clubs lack good meeting places. The old school building is not in bad condition, except superficially; it is situated in a fine location on the campus, near the new dormitories.

Furthermore, materialistically speaking it appears that the \$300,000 needed for the contemplated new "Y" building will not very soon be forthcoming. If the old Consolidated High School is torn down it is more than probable that nothing can or will be put in its place—at least not for some years.

Y.M.C.A. Committee has suggested. At the ured it is more than desirable that this step

Once again The Battalion wishes to ask, for the student body of A. & M., that the affects these secretaries. ard building committee favorably consider this request.

There are more rules of the A. & M. College Library that are broken than are kept. These violations range from talking in the study room to keeping books out overtime.

This latter violation is one of prime imporbooks be kept faithfully if all students have a chance to do their required work.

Are you a violator of such rules? There may be others who want to use that book you tossed aside a few weeks ago. Of course the fine will be slight if any at all, yet you owe it to your classmates to turn in the library books on or before

Don't Be a Sheep

Some persons spend 15 years of their lives ing to school and learning to parrot what the h welcher tells them, only to find that it would be beforehand. Any "If" regarding the scarcity of oil helpful if they had a mind of their own which thlity function.

bev swimertain courses are predominantly facleaving little opportunity for originality fail Splethough. But in other courses, where many

Stations are purely matters of opinion, the make aplent shall be allowed to have an opinion dents betr's own and not be required to adopt the If applicants 's idea in order to pass the course. exceptions, which, to the professor's opinions and

entire loan fund str ck to him on tests is a good This very brief by way under some teachers—student loan fund sit but it takes all the initiative student body may betters. he finds that he is unthe funds are so administer on anything, and must

The loan funds have be assistance to students really indumbly is all right. They should not be regarded as supposedly designed "convenience" loans. Nor should it hinking individual. and every student has a right or a o says only his upon request. Ex-students, A. & M. M. ed; but no more and other friends and donors have put s who have no is enough votes to swing the national election in They will render financial assistance theme one else favor of any party. The House decided to recommit some 400 boys. It has never been their thore minds on loan funds should be available for everyone to to borrow. There isn't that much money.

One of the Year's Best Jobs

There have been Glee Clubs at A. & M. for many years—some bad and some good. This year's club, under the new name of "Singing Cadets" and under the direction of Professor J. J. Woolket, of the Department of Modern Languages, has hit a new high in singing performance by A. & M. students. The Battalion again extends to the Singing Cadets and their director hearty congratulations.

When it is remembered that Director Woolket carries on these singing operations in his spare time and with no remuneration, his good work is all the more appreciated. With a student body of 6,000 men, the Singing Cadets should be one of the top singing organizations of the Southwest. If the group continues to improve as it has the past year there will be no question of its rank in singing cir-

In the opinion of The Battalion, Prof. Woolket and the Singing Cadets turned in one of the outstanding jobs of the year, for their own pleasure, for the pleasure of their listeners, and for the benefit and glory of A. & M. College.

Homecoming

The Annual Meeting of the Association of Former Students scheduled this year at commencement, May 21 - June 1, is a real home coming for A. & M. men. The Battalion believes a trip to the campus will prove a fine tonic to any A. & M. man.

There will be impressive graduation exercises. There will be dancing for those inclined. There

will be the same old spine-tingling thrills at final review. There will be high tribute paid to President T. O. Walton, who has headed the institution longer than any other man.

Best of all there will be heart warming reunions of old friends. There will be many a day and event lived over again in memory. There will be both old and new campus scenes to visit.

All of it adds up to a grand occasion and The Battalion hopes A. & M. men will literally swamp the campus on commencement weekend, May 31 - June 1.

A letter from Mr. F. M. Law, president of the First National Bank of Houston and president of the Board of Directors of A. & M. College:

Mr. Bill Murray, Editor-in-Chief, The Battalion

Have just received my copy of the May 16th the attention and consideration of Battalion. Hearty congratulations! This issue is every Aggie. The original impetus just about the best newspaper I have ever seen issued by A. and M. or by any other college in the entire country.

Cordially yours, F. M. LAW

SECRETARIES OVER-ACTIVE?

Nobody can deny that reception women some-So why tear it down? Why not put it to times learn too well the lesson that the man in some real, needed, practical use such as the the inner office must not be bothered and that their own mission is to keep people out unless they pass extremely low cost the committee has fig- through the portals in the approved, orderly way, which sometimes is strewn with 'red tape' and

It seems as if some super-sense of formal order

(Name withheld on request).

Remember Your Classmates As the World Turns...

By "COUNT" V. K. SUGAREFF

"Oil will win the war", according to Mr. James A. Moffett, formerly purchasing agent of fuel oil class of '51. and gasoline for the Allies during 1917-1918, and tance at this time of the school year. It is absolute- now chairman of the board of the California-Texas ly essential that the rules concerning the use of the Oil Company. Germany's minimum annual requirement of oil is 7,600,000 tons. Germany can secure

6,162,000 tons of oil from domestic and foreign sources. It is estimated that Germany has captured 4,-000,000 tons of oil. Estimating seven barrels to the ton, that gives Germany several months of oil supply. If the Allies can "stabilize" the present situation, short of defeat, and prolong the war, Germany will be in dire need of oil.

So far Germany has carried out her campaigns with surprising precision according to plans made

and food supplies in Germany may be merely wishful thinking. The Germans have not given out any vital statistics about their war plans, finances, or materials. The democracies have been delivering parliamentary speeches in which they conveyed much valuable information to the enemy. To think that Germany has plunged into this war without calculating every possibility would be equivalent to imagining an engineer starting a job without taking measurements. There is, however, a hope that

the engineer has miscalculated. Organized labor shows lobbying power. Two weeks ago Congress decided to take minor changes in the Wages and Hours and Wagner Acts (labor acts). Seventy-five labor leaders, representing various labor bodies, went to Washington. These men held 1,000 interviews with the 435 members of the House of Representatives. These Congressmen were informed that these labor leaders have the support of 10,000,000 American families and control 25,000,-000 votes in the many sections of this country. That the matter to its labor committee for further study of the questions involved in the acts.

George Fuermann

itan Club prexy Mike Rodriguez goes down in Aggie history as the O. Pasco's recently published gem—in the rough: "Fish Sergeant." The inscription "First book sold, May 21, 1940,

a sure-fire numa n d especially

a Puerto Rico senior, when a Dallasite mentioned The next day the Prof takes off town of Lynnfield, named for the that he had recently been late-dated by his escortee: "To hell with And their grade that does lessen. family whose descendants still run these American women!" Politics run in the family: Senior class president Max McCullar re- And sometimes to their lessons and bound to uphold the family cently learned that the male half of

his parents, G. F. McCullar, was elected president of the State Tax Collectors Association. His faththat the fine gesture the Athletic figures are interesting and won- worth seeing. Council made in giving head yell- derfying. His room-to-room can"THE LIGHT THAT FAILED" leaders Bodie Pierce and Bert vass takes about five weeks—then Burns watches will be continued he starts all over again. It takes each year. It's equally as hard to about 5,000 packages of chewing acting and the best of plots. It has a vell-leader when we're not gum to cover the downitories—a be a yell-leader when we're not gum to cover the dormitories—a Ronald Colman, Walter Huston, national champions as when we're total of 25,000 sticks of gum, Ronald Colman, Walter Huston, on top... An unusual problem to which, translated into chews, would Office Department that came up In a few cases (but very few) cagraduating seniors and the Post make a figure with several zeros! postage necessary to mail gradu- gum and candy, believing that ation invitations via the first-class they thusly became obligated, but part a standout. route. Although all of the invita- the vast majority of Aggies weltions are supposedly the same, come him and look forward to his British troops in Sudan, Ronald many of them did not weigh the every-five-week visit. same, some of them requiring six cents postage and others nine cents.

An Aggie needs help:

The front page editorial concerning George Stidham deserves was given by head yell-leader-elect Buster Keeton. Buster asked for News. Smith, junior Ted Duce, and sopho-vice. that time, however, the thing has tration). become so big that Buster has appointed a committee to represent the corps, local business men, and professors in the undertaking. The more-than-deserving Aggie.

Ah-h-h, poetry:

From College Station's Consolidated School come a few more poetry efforts on the part of Aggies and T.S.C.W.-ians-to-be of the

Here's the lead-off, titled "Aggieland":

This is Aggie Land. We say to each other, "Hello my

fine friend." We won the 1939 championship, So to the Sugar Bowl we took a trip.

The Tulane team rolled in a green

Trying to defeat the Aggies brave. When the score was in favor of Tulane,

A bird's-eye view . . . Cosmopol- The Aggies scored and won the game.

really know how to talk, really is just their sort.

about their lessons,

a point, · · And so we see the Aggies have the little hick town. Irene Dunn other things to do,

Chewing gum and mints:

On WTAW

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volunteers from his own organi- 11:30 a. m.—Texas Farm & a picture of a melancholy girl. For zation to help push the plan, and Home Program (TQN); Campus a model he uses the mean little seniors Jim McKenzie and W. P. visit-P. G. Haines, Extension Ser-spitfire guttersnipe, Ida Lupino.

offered to give assistance. Since Folks" (Social Security Adminis- into a drunken fury and drives the

12:00 noon-Signoff.

Friday, May 24, 1940

cell, Ernie Pannell, Bill Murray, Dr. S. E. Lipscomb, "Count" V. K. 4:35-5:30 p. m.—THE AGGIE Napoleon, like Moses and the CLAMBAKE, featuring student Israelites, crossed the Red Sea on Sugareff, Buster, and your cor- musical talent, "The Dope Ring" dry land. respondent. So come on out Ag- (Faculty vs. Student Quiz Progies-let's do our part to help a gram), Campus news and personalities.

WHAT'S SHOWING

AT THE ASSEMBLY HALL Thursday, Friday, 3:30 & 6:45—"THE LIGHT THAT FAILED," starring Ronald Colman, Walter Huston, Muriel Angelus, Ida Lupino, and

Dudley Digges. AT THE CAMPUS

Thursday— "GATEWAY," with Arleen Whelan, Don Ameche, Binnie Barnes, and Lyle Talbot.

Friday, Saturday—"THEO-DORA GOES WILD," starring Irene Dunn, Melvyn Douglas, and Thomas Mit-

Movie Pevicee

in front of Mike's book reads, The Aggies are the fellows who "THEODORA GOES WILD" at he formerly lived, in battle. This

age and should be The Aggies are the fellows who WILD," and she does right by it. But he still maintains his self-Melvyn Douglas is just the sly, respect and asks neither aid nor ber with Aggies, For when it comes to talking that wicked type to play opposite her sympathy from anyone. in such a role too. Between the freshmen . . . Said When talking they do often forget two of them, they thoroughly shock the old, stiff-necked New England upstanding and straight-laced Lynn bears the stigma of being a Lynn they just say a great big BOO! name, but she gets a "wild hair" and tries to act human by at least writing a book on what she thinks life should be like. As the author er is Tax Assessor and Collector Maybe you've wondered who the of the book, which turns out to be of Kleberg County . . . Monday genial Aggie is that continually a best-seller, she has to go to New night's yell practice showed that makes the round of the many dor- York, where she goes wild in the the new junior yell-leaders-to-be mitories giving away free pack- funniest sense of the word. Melvyn are okeh, but they'll have their ages of Beech-Nut chewing gum Douglas enters the picture and folhands full keeping up with Buster and mints. He's Wallace Keller, a lows her home again, and the fun and "Foots." . . . And speaking former 'G' Company Infantryman really begins. Such a pretty actress of yell-leaders, Backwash hopes from San Antonio. His facts and as Irene Dunn cutting capers is

Dudley Digges all give great per-Office Department that came up in a few cases (but very few) callast week concerned the amount of dets have refused to take his gratian that lest of sciences, makes Colman's

As a newspaper artist with the Colman receives a spear cut above his eye while saving his fellow correspondent, Dudley Digges. His war sketches are a huge success in London and he returns to capitalize upon his fame as an artist. He becomes too much interested in the capital involved instead of the art work itself though, and friend Digges warns him to paint true art. For the love of a childhood sweet-11:25 a. m.—Sign-On; Weather, heart whom he still loves, Coleman tries to paint his masterpiece, Warned by a doctor that he is gomores Jim King and G. W. Haltom 11:45 a. m. - "Pleasantdale ing blind, Colman whips himself model night and day to complete the work. After he is totally blind, the vengeful model utterly ruins his canvas. With his great work

There are two plenty good shows destroyed, his sight gone, his childfirst cadet to buy a copy of John And not to be overlooked is this playing here the latter part of this hood love unreturned, and his life week, and you won't be wasting worthless, Colman returns to war your time seeing either of them. and the Sudan, to die gloriously as old, May 21, 1940, really know how to fight, the Campus is a good comedy, and ten minutes till And when it comes to football that "THE LIGHT THAT FAILED", ed to everyone; it has so many inseven o'clock in is really a delight. benefit show at the Assembly Hall, terest, angles that everyone is front of Guion At football games they holler till is a well-acted version of Rudyard sure as some of them. It is of Hall, Texas A. & their voices are nearly gone.

M." The book is They really should be given a crown better - than - aver
for hollering so loud and long, comedy role in "THEODORA GOES deavor is the averted in some way.





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