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Aggie Spirit --- Summer Style

Texas A. & M.'s sixty-fourth long session—the greatest in the history of the institution—is ended, and right on its heels is the beginning of the thirty-second summer session. Also expected to be another "great" in A. & M. history. One thing is certain... There's a way to be sure that this becomes a great summer session—a sort of insurance that doesn't cost Texas Aggies very much. The point being: Keep the world-famous Aggie Spirit going under full steam throughout the summer months.

During the summer, as during the rest of the year, the college is host to visitors from the four corners of the state, and even the entire nation. Courtesy shown these visitors by members of the corps would be more than an indication that Aggie Spirit is as alive during the summer months as during the rest of the year—it would also pay dividends to the college, and thus to its students and its graduates, in the form of the esteem and cooperation of these visitors.

The football games, corps trips, Mothers' Day festivities, and countless other similar occasions demonstrated clearly the will of the corps to cooperate with the college in extending every courtesy and assistance possible to campus visitors throughout the past year and other years. The summer of 1940 will witness the coming of many more thousands of visitors—including summer school students from over the state and short course visitors.

Aggie Spirit isn't a nine month affair—it works all year around. Let's prove it by doing all that we can to offer every courtesy, politeness, and service to the thousands of visitors who will be on our campus this summer.

Director's Message

To the fourteen hundred-odd students who are today enrolling in the thirty-second summer session of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas we extend a hearty welcome. Many of you are former students of A. & M., but for a considerable number today marks your introduction to Aggieland.

We wish for you all the best summer you've ever had; that it may be filled with hard but valuable lessons, interesting and inspiring class discussions, plus plenty of recreation and entertainment to make a balanced program. You will find here an earnest student body and a capable faculty, all imbued with a spirit of mutual helpfulness.

—DR. C. H. WINKLER.

"Play Ball"

The creaking of the caissons, the roar of the heavy artillery; the shrill cries for mercy of women and children; the thud of the .30 caliber as it hits and then penetrates deep; the hissing and humming of the heavy dreadnaughts of the air—that is the cry "across the pond."

Here the same sound effects echo through the country, instead they are the creaking of the oar locks as the lazy fisherman slowly works his way to his favorite spot; the roar of the crowds that pack the stands to see whether the Biggs or the Reds can hold out; the cry of an excited observer as a race car goes over the wall; the thud of the teed ball as the driver makes contact; the hissing and humming of the fly tackle as the caster lashes his line back and forth across the water—the cry of the American sports world.

In the last World War American sports continued through their regular routine until the day President Wilson gave the word. Many of the great names of the sporting field followed "Black Jack" over, and many stayed as the great umpire rendered his decision.

Many up-and-coming champions made their real debut in the struggle—for no matter what task is set before men, some form of sport or pastime is needed to break the monotony of the steady beating and pounding. War has nothing to offer for the individual, and only the halting of crazed demons for the entire group.

In the air one side is pitching nothing but no-hit games, yet the other side chalks up many home runs. Continued peace for the United States will assure us of many more shows in the sporting world. The thrill will still come as the umpire yells the first "Play ball!" and not the last, "You're out!"

College librarians have their troubles, too—and if you don't believe it, listen to this: A Glenville (W. Va.) State Teachers College librarian recently received a request for a book called "Forty Ways to Amuse a Dog." The person wanted "Forty Days of Musa Dagh."

No Criticism Allowed

When Ralph Coghlan, editor of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, was recently sentenced for contempt, for criticizing Circuit Judge Rowe of St. Louis, it again brought up the question of "how free is the American press?"

A public opinion poll by Dr. George Gallup revealed that 75 per cent of the people think that newspapers should be allowed to criticize judges.

When he becomes judge, it does not necessarily mean that he instantly becomes something supernatural, or above the traits of the ordinary human being. The government of any state, and of the United States has been criticized on many occasions in the editorial columns of the press. The courts are part of the government. The judge is part of the court. If it is permissible to criticize the president of the United States, it should, then, be permissible to criticize a mere circuit judge.

Freedom of the press is provided for in the Constitution. It has long been recognized as being one of the important rights of the people that should be protected constantly. There should be no half way measures in one of the rights of the people provided for in one of the basic elements of the Constitution.

Mind Your Phone Manners

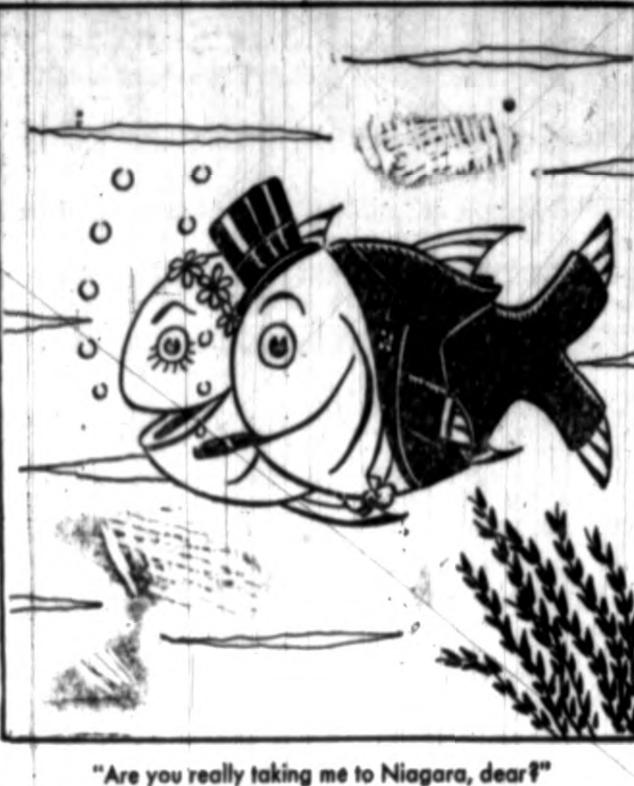
Mind your telephone manners! To all persons, are made the following suggestions:
1. If you don't have a pleasant telephone voice, change it with practice and patience.
2. Relax. Smile when you answer the telephone.
3. Try to visualize the person to whom you're talking. You'll loosen up.
4. Show personal interest. Do this by being cordial, friendly, cheerful and helpful.
5. Be natural. Don't be afraid to laugh, to speak colloquially. But don't get to flap.
6. Try to remember the voice or mannerism of the person so you'll recognize who's calling before you have to be told. A quick "Hello, Jim" might get you the nomination for club president.
7. Don't be rude, ever. Everyone appreciates courtesy, even flattery.
8. Don't get impatient or mad, and above all, don't hang up until a person is through talking.
—Yellow Jacket.

Summer Reading

By DR. T. F. MAYO
AROUND THE WORLD IN TEN BOOKS
You can travel a thousand miles an hour, at nothing a mile, without bumps, flat tires, Pullman tips, seasickness, or wear and tear on thumbs—if you'll use your library.
1. "Where Life Is Better; an unsentimental American Journey," by James Rorty. (Before you leave, take a good look at what you're leaving.)
2. "England Speaks," by Sir Philip Gibbs. (Introducing you to the English people—every kind of them—in person.)
3. "Reaching for the Stars," by Nora Wain. (The best recent trip, not only through Germany, but through the troubled German mind. Frank but sympathetic.)
4. "Denmark; Kingdom of Reason," by Agnes Rothery. (In a turbulent world, it's a relief to find a country or two in which the lion and the lamb have learned to lie down together, without serious injury to either.)
5. "Soviet Journey," by Louis Fischer. (In a debatable land like modern Russia, you need a good guide. Fischer, we think, is just about the best.)
6. "North of the Danube," by Erskine Caldwell. (A famous young American surveys the Balkans just before the deluge. Grand pictures.)
7. "Jesting Pilate," by Aldous Huxley. (About India). (He calls it "An intellectual holiday." Ask the nearest English teacher where and why he got his title—it's clever.)
8. "My Country and My People," by Lin Yu Tang. (For a few hours you actually live in China with a cultivated and witty Chinese.)
9. "Mexico Interlude," by J. H. Jackson. (You have now been all around the world. Yet you will find quite enough to interest you here at your own back door.)
10. "Away From It All," by Cedric Befrage. (End your tour with a rapid and entertaining survey. This is at once an excellent travel book and a satire on all travelers.)

As the World Turns...

By DR. AL B. NELSON
Sidney Hillman, left-wing C. I. O. labor leader, "fellow traveler" with the communists, has been appointed by the President of the United States to the board charged with coordinating the preparedness program of the United States. He is to be in charge of the labor supply for vital military and naval work. Within a few hours after his appointment, C.I.O. workers in a shipyard working on naval construction went on strike, halting work on two cruisers and several destroyers. The workers were already among the highest paid employees in the United States. After several days delay the strikers went back to work. The Bureau of Immigration has been transferred from Madam Perkins' Labor Department to the Department of Justice. It is said that Madam Perkins wept openly when the decision was announced in cabinet meeting. Both houses of Congress promptly approved the transfer which was immediately signed by the President. This will take control of aliens away from "Miss Perkins" who has failed to exercise any control over alien troublemakers and criminals. Harry Bridges, alien Pacific coast labor leader and suspected communist, will face deportation if a bill now before Congress is passed. It is had enough when American citizens stir up needless trouble and strife in the nation, but there is no reason at all to tolerate an alien who spends his entire time creating strife in the ranks of the nation's population.



"Are you really taking me to Niagara, dear?"

Movie Review

By Betty Shelton
Summer school... Day dreaming a human chain, and wiping out an Indian village by a surprise attack. It is surely among the best pictures of the year.

John Barrymore plays perhaps his finest role in "The Great Man Votes," which is at The Campus Tuesday. He plays the part of Gregory Vance, formerly a rated scholar, now a whiskey-drinking watchman who keeps a home of sorts for his two motherless children. The picture is funny, irritating, charming, and satirical by turns. At The Campus Wednesday and Thursday is "Wife, Husband, and Friend," a delirious romance. With Loretta Young as the beautiful and gay wife, and Warner Baxter as the husband, debonair and ardent, there's unrestrained fun in this slam-bang show.

WHAT'S SHOWING

AT THE ASSEMBLY HALL
Tuesday—"The Marines Fly High" with Richard Dix, Chester Morris, and Lucille Ball. The romantic complications involving two flying lieutenants, an American girl in the tropics, and a native dancer share the spotlight with high-speed action.
Wednesday and Thursday—"Northwest Passage" with Spencer Tracy and Robert Young.
AT THE CAMPUS
Tuesday—"The Great Man Votes" with John Barrymore, Virginia Weidler, and Peter Holden.
Wednesday and Thursday—"Wife, Husband, and Friend" with Loretta Young and Warner Baxter.

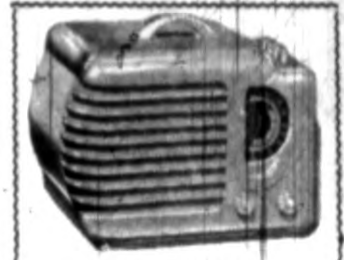
Dr. D. D. Giles Receives First Ph. D. Degree Conferred At Texas A. & M.

The first Ph.D. degree to be awarded by the A. & M. College was recently conferred upon D. D. Giles, 23, of Nacogdoches. He received his degree of D.V.M. in 1922, and his Master's degree in 1929 in Animal Husbandry. He is at present Assistant Dean of the Faculty and Professor of Animal Husbandry at Stephen F. Austin Teachers College, Nacogdoches.

Dr. Giles received his Doctorate in Animal Physiology and Nutrition. The subject of his dissertation was: "An Experiment to Determine the Effect of the Growth of the Anterior Lobe of the Pituitary Gland of Swine."
Known to his classmates and friends as "Doc", Giles has more than earned that appellation. He was called "Doc" as a student, he earned the title Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, and at Commencement was declared a Doctor of Philosophy by the A. & M. College.
Giles was one of the original members of the Cavalry Unit of the A. & M. cadet corps, when the unit was started in 1920. He was Captain of Troop B in 1922, a member of the Ross Volunteers and vice-president of the 1922 class. Very few of even his most intimate friends know that he came to A. & M. on a Carnegie Institute Bravery Award Scholarship given him in recognition of his saving a man's life in Houston during a severe electrical storm.
After graduation in 1922 he practiced Veterinary Medicine for two years in Nacogdoches and that area. From 1924 to 1926 he was a member of the professional

DR. B. T. SIMS RECENTLY VISITED A. & M. CAMPUS

Dr. B. T. Sims, director of the federal regional laboratory on animal diseases, Auburn, Alabama, was a recent visitor to the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College campus. While here he conferred with Directors A. B. Conner of the Experiment Station, and veterinarians on the staffs of the station and the School of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Sims was a house guest of Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Marsteller.



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