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To 102 Aggie Seniors

ONE HUNDRED AND TWO AGGIES have already had their final review. One hundred and two seniors have stood in the reviewing stand and seen their underclassmen pass by for the last time. The entire corps has paid them their final and supreme tribute, because these Aggies have been called to active duty and will not be able to participate in the scheduled Final Review.

This was a gesture on the part of the corps to try to tell these seniors that their job has been well done. The review Thursday could not have had all the meaning in it that the real Final Review will have. Some of the sentiment was lacking, the band was not playing Auld Lang Syne, and the corps was not in dress uniform, but the men in the Coast Artillery, Engineers, and Signal Corps knew that the corps was telling them good-bye as best they could. These men have been Aggies with all the rest and the corps could not pass such an opportunity to give them the best tribute possible.

So this is a further salute to those 102 Aggies. They deserve all possible respect that the college or their classmates can give them and their efforts have been appreciated. They have been Aggies for four years, and because we must make some concession to the times does not mean that the corps will soon forget them. There will be a huge blank space in the ranks of the seniors in the regular Final Review, the space that should be filled by these men, but there will be no blank space in the memory of the corps or their classmates that these men have been forgotten or overlooked.

Old Area Visitor's Lounge

THE OLD AREA OF THE CAMPUS NEEDS A LOUNGE similar to the one now in Kiest Hall in the new area. That lounge is beautiful, well furnished, and very useful to the extent which its size permits, but it is not centrally located nor large enough to provide suitable space for a student body As the World Turns ... of 6000 men.

Washington Press

BIGWIGS IN WASHINGTON, according to an article appearing recently in a national periodical, are seriously considering formation of a censorship bureau in our nation's capital. Apparently army and navy officials are sponsoring the move, in an attempt to stem foreign disruption of America's armament setup.

Is there a need for censorship in the United States press? Is there a justification for such censorship? We reply in the negative to both questions as posed.

There is as much need for curtailment of the press as there is for a secret police faction. It is the right of every American to know what is being done by his government, in which he is the most important cog. Legislation passed, bills proposed, mobilizations planned-these are the specific business of each and every American.

One hundred fifty years ago our forebearers lived through chaotic warfare and unending suffering that they might institute a government of, by, and for the people. The nation's founders provided for freedom of speech, religion, and press. To what depths do we degrade these tenets if we permit subjugation of any?

Russia has its OGPU, the reich has an oppressive and suppressive band of Brown Shirt police, whose duties are to advance only the views held by a governmental, administrative minority. This is censorship in its frankest form, suppression of the voice of the people.

America is being led into war because not everything is told in the releases emanating from European press centers. Reuters and the Deutsches Nachrichten Buro divulge only what England and Germany wish disclosed. The result is stark confusion-two stories each day told one in direct contradiction of the others.

Boasted news views fill every newspaper because not all the facts are brought to light. This is in opposition to every principle of Americanism. Distortion, one-sidedness, suppression, tight-lipped informative federal sources-these have no place in the American scheme of things if the American press is to maintain its high position in the world.

To what use are we putting our great press bureaus, like the Associated Press and the United Press, if we have to accept the whims of a man or a board as our basis for opinion? Americans have the right to run their government as they want to run it; to this end were instituted our houses of legislature and our governmental checks in the three branches.

A free press is a voice of a free people, and it is not to be turned to the exclusive use of moneyhungry war mongers and grafting politicians. True, it is, possibly, that patriotism and a tendency to take sides in the European conflict have a hold in the United States at the moment. All well and good, but the fact remains that America does not want to go to war.

Adolph Hitler built his empire on censorship and oppression. The people of Germany listen to the government radio programs, read the state newspaper, abide by the maxims laid down by a single man. Censorship is not yet fact in the United States, but it is a vivid potentiality. We must not recognize its birth. -ACP

-The Index, Niagara Univ.

Margaret Whitcomb, a 1939 graduate, is the first girl meteorology instructor to teach at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

University of New Hampshire had an enrollment of 73 farmers for the spring short course in agriculture.

Students at Colorado State College of Education are adopting an honor system.



- THE BATTALION -

Charles Babcock "Backwash: An agitation resulting from some action or occurrence."-Webster

sportsman-like apology and reso- released the next morning with an Can't Take it With You," and Gene markable similarity between the lution, the University "T" Asso- excuse for the day's classes.

dent body, furthered the attempt lease, the doctor ordered an extra table motion pictures. es that this rivalry is one of the ness had not been located. the current year, the class of '16 ridden" Aggie rested easier. on the campus June 6 and 7. Class-hospital telephone rang and the place after all. es of '06, '11, and '26 are also holdhometown girl friend. Upon reading the letter, the cadet was dumb- sible. founded until he had finished and ter . . . to quote . "The love I have heretofore ex- the hook. pressed for you

is gone. I find my indifference They informed the student in questoward you

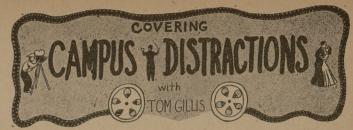
increases daily. Everytime I see the meantime. you.

object of contempt.

I feel myself in every way disposed and determined

> to hate you, and I assure you I on his back with pneumonia for never intended

to love you . . ."



South American opinion of us By Tom Vannoy The "Four Daughters" who be- "yanquis."

came "Four Wives" are now Last summer Nelson Rockefeller "FOUR MOTHERS" at the As- founded the office for coordination sembly Hall today. With Rose- of Commercial and Cultural Relamary, Lola, Priscilla Lane and tions between the American Re-Gale Page, it promises to be an publics and included a motion piceyeful. We enjoyed the previous ture division, too. They figured films in the Lemp family series that by producing a number of immensely but the whole thing is films showing the better side of about to go under as far as dra- Latin America that perhaps conmatic quality is concerned.

ground, and that seems to be lowed to approve the outline of the what Warner Brothers have just story before it was made. Other about done. Of course there are shows following up this idea in lots of laughs in the picture, but the near future will be Robert Tayit is not all that could be expected lor in "The Life of Simon Bolifrom the talented Lane sisters and var," Tyrone Power in "Blood and Gale. "THE PENALTY" will be shown tina."

was starred in "Edison the Man" male stars leads to quite a mix-up

to make the Aggie-Steer rivalry a day for "close observation" since It concerns the criminal, Edward of Errors" for its laughs because more friendly one. Everyone realiz- the cause of the freshman's ill- Arnold, who tries to make a criminal of his son, Gene Reynolds.

endeared possessions of a college The freshman was worried and Lionnel Barrymore lives on a farm nicolor, which means that it will career, and as such, it should stand excited, until a friend came around and takes Gene in when he is up regardless of sacrifice ... With for an exchange of notes about about to be sent to a reform off a couple of hours and see the a class history parallel to that of 9:00 o'clock. Then, the "bed- school. Gene decides that the old the minute and the school of way of living is not the best, and will meet in its 25th anniversary on the campus June 6 and 7. Class-In about fifteen minutes the that the farm is a pretty good who always can be depended on

Rosalind Russell and Melvyn to be right there when good jobs es of '06, '11, and '26 are also hold-ing reunions . . . Unique, and even discouraging, is the fitting descrip-tion of a letter received recently by a Field Artillery freshman. Ivan

by a Field Artillery freshman, Ivan to see his son and demanding that Chains of Port Arthur from a Ros-Schwing of Port Arthur, from a the boy be released as soon as pos- alind and Melvyn and Binnie, Melvyn's secretary is mixed in, too.

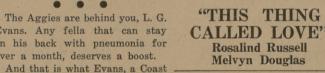
The nurse replied that he would It's zany. It's funny. The best show to be seen around read the instructions at the end have to come by the office and talk these parts in some time will be which explained that the true mean- to Dr. Marsh before the cadet at the Campus for a prevue Sating of the correspondence could be would be allowed to leave the hos-urday night, Sunday and Monbetter understood by reading every pital. With a hurried gasp and day. Alice Faye, Don Ameche, and other line. An excerpt of said let- goodbye, the "father from west Carmen Miranda are featured in Texas" slammed the receiver on "THAT NIGHT IN RIO." In addition to containing some stellar act

Hospital attendants waited near- ing, it is calculated to improve the ly an hour-but still no father. tion of the telephone conversation. stating that an hour had elapsed in As an answer to where his fath-

er could be, the crimson-faced Agyou appear in my eyes as an gie said, "I don't know. He must 15¢ to 5 p.m. - 20¢ After have gotten lost in the bushes

over a month. deserves a boost.

along the way." . . . The Aggies are behind you, L. G. Evans. Any fella that can stay



Melvyn Douglas

SUNDAY - MONDAY

FAYE · AMECHE · MIRANDA

IN TECHNICOLOR!

NIGHT

IN RIO

LAST DAY

Artillery junior, has been doing at SAT. NIGHT PREVUE

ASSEMBLY HALL

SATURDAY

6:45 and 8:30

"Four Mothers"

with

"MARCH of TIME"

ditions would be improved. Any-A good thing can be run into the way the Brazilian embassy was al-

Sand," and "They Met in Argen-

at the Assembly Hall Monday and To get back to "That Night in Tuesday, With a cast made up Rio." Don Ameche is a U. S. of Edward Arnold, Lionel Barry- night-club entertainer who falls more, Marsha Hunt and Gene Rey- for Carmen, also an entertainer. nolds, it promises to be an excel- In addition, he is a rich Brazilian lent attraction. Arnold and Bar- broker who is married to Alice Aggie Reflections . . . With a night with the intention of being rymore appeared together in "You Faye. As can be seen, this re-

ciation, speaking for the Texas stu- Morning came, but instead of re- and "Boy's Town", all unforget- between Carmen and Alice and Don. It approaches "The Comedy Night in Rio" is produced in tech-

be extremely worthwhile to take those miraculous dances and songs.



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Bryan, Texas

your head!

-SATURDAY, MAY 24, 1941

A lounge in the YMCA building, such as is now under consideration by the Y board, would do much to benefit the situation and provide more space where Aggies may comfortably take their parents. At present the old area is without such facilities. When an Aggie's parents or friends drive down to the college to visit him, he has no convenient place where he may take them to talk. They either ride around in an automobile or stroll over the campus.

For students in the new area, Kiest Lounge has proved its usefulness, but it is inadequate for the entire corps. Few boys from the old area use the lounge because of its location, not because their parents don't visit them. However, its size would not permit its use by such a large group of students. As far as its facilities permit, Kiest Lounge admirably provides a place for students to visit with their parents.

And if Kiest Lounge is inadequate and inconvenient for the old area as it stands, the circumstances will be worse next year after the completion of the additional dormitories in the old area. In that situation, a lounge in the old Y. M. C. A. building would be more centrally located and would be of greater benefit to more students. Since the lounge under consideration would be larger than Kiest lounge, it could absorb part of the overflow from there. Its location in the Y Building would place it in the center of the campus and give it a semblance of an official connection with the college. Probably some students from the new area would also use it.

Aggie parents are in favor of providing such a lounge. At the meeting of the Mother's Club held here in the Y chapel on Parent's Day, the situation was presented to them by students. They indicated their willingness to provide the furnishings for a lounge if a suitable place was found. Now under discussion are the possibilities of converting the Y chapel into a suitable room, or walling in the porch of the Y over the barber shop and including in the proposed lounge part of what is now the

The need for some kind of a lounge on the campus was recognized when one was placed in the new area. It has now proved itself inadequate and there is the need of obtaining more suitable facilities. Of course the cost is the greatest problem, but that will be lessened if the Mother's club furnish the lounge. Over a period of years the good will for the college created in the minds of Aggie parents and visitors who find a pleasant place to visit will be worth more than the funds spent.

BY DR. AL B. NELSON

Mayor Frank (Boss) Hague of Jersey City, New Jersey, the small time imitator of the Hitler mode of government, and "New Deal" Democrat, has been re-elected by a tremendous "vote" and is entering upon his twenty-fifth year as mayor of the city and political boss of his section of New Jer-

Maury Maverick, Mayor of San Antonio, and also a tied-to-the-apron-string "New Dealer", re-

ceived over one thousand votes less than former Mayor C. K. Quinn in the recent election. There will be a run-off election the 27th of this month as neither received a majority of all votes cast.

More Strikes almost daily in defense industries. Eleven west coast shipyards have been closed by strikes in the last ten days. Three of the major Ford plants voted more than two to one to name the C.I.O. as their bargaining agent and the union is already

announcing demands for wage increases in spite of the Ford wage scale, which is already the highest in the nation for the industry.

Nelson

Japan is still being supplied with oil from the United States as a matter of "national policy." The oil is still being used to power planes, tanks and a beautiful frame too. warships which are daily murdering the Chinese in an undeclared war. Some day some of the oil will one Mr. Bill Kleeb in his retinue, Ento Club Issues he will never suffer from a dearth the U.S. fleet.

No Heavy Tanks are coming off the mass production lines after a year of all-out preparedness. The Germans unquestionably know all the facts and figures but for some reason our leaders do not take the American people into their confidence. The facts in the case should be given to the people in order that they may correctly place the responsibility for any unjustifiable delay.

Hunter college offers a play writing course in which the students write, direct and produce original plays.

A \$140,000 H.O.T.C. building is being planned at the University of Virginia.

Movies of their "cotton-coated wooly" sheep were made by University of Wyoming authorities. Kleeb plans some day to leave the dents.

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. . . the College Hospital since some-Concerning the tale of an In- time back in April.

fantry freshman who wanted to According to Mom, Glenn is resee the ball game in Austin last covering and should be able to get out in the fresh air once again be-Monday . . He went to the hospital Sunday fore long.

MUSICAL MEANDERINGS

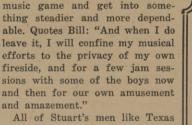
By Murray Evans Toppy Pearce, Aggieland Or- thing steadier and more dependchestra's new chief for the coming able. Quotes Bill: "And when I do year, says that the band will be leave it, I will confine my musical toned down considerably, and that efforts to the privacy of my own slower tempos and softer music fireside, and for a few jam seswill prevail while he wields the sions with some of the boys now baton. He says that he will stress and then for our own amusement quality and not volume and will and amazement."

pay particular attention to his reed section, when augmented by Low-better than any section of the ell Rigg's return, will indeed be country in which they have played, a fine unit. Pearce further states and as they are becoming so popthat Aggieland will use a Houston songstress for the whole of next they are booked through M. C. A. season, and from all reports that at Dallas, it stands to reason that be, she has an exceedingly pleasbe, she has an exceedingly pleas-ing voice—and carries it around in the hotels and better night spots in Texas.

As long as Nick Stuart retains

of cash customers. Those who Annual Publication heard Stuart's orchestra last The Texas Aggie Entomologist, Thursday at Bryan Country Club annual publication of the Texas A. will agree that Kleeb was in his & M. Entomology club, will be usual fine fettle. A 'triple threat' completed and distributed among man, in that he is an excellent students and graduates of the Envocalist, 'front' (leader) man, and tomology department before May a comedian of the first water on 30, M. K. Rethke, president of novelties, Bill has become almost the club and editor of the publias well-known in Texas as Stuart cation announced today.

himself. His "I Won't Dance" rou- The publication contains activitine in which he dons a yellow wig ties of the A. & M. Entomology and a red night shirt, has pan- Club, the entomology division of icked every audience to date, and the Texas Agricultural Experiit has been done so much in Texas ment Station, the Extension Serthat there are any number of re- vice and also activities of ex-stuquests for it on every job. dents together with a list and ad-Like nine out of ten musicians, dress of each of the former stu-



we will be hearing more from

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