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After the War

Death, destruction and war are the morsels upon which our minds are fed today by every source of news and communication in the world. Politics, national and international, with all their treacherous intrigues and intrigues offer the youth of the land a beautiful future indeed.

Which way will the armies of the dictators move next? Who will be the next victim of the wargod Mars? What course should we steer in the hope of safety? What should be done? . . . these are the questions which inescapably stare the present generation in the face.

Then it is time to remember that any problem or situation, when it is too close, is difficult to understand and solve. We speak of the various "ages" in our history and government and English classes in broad terms and few words. Yet those "ages" presented to the people who lived in them just as hard and just as trying a life as the one that confronts us.

Then push it away! Take your mind several hundred years ahead and look at the present times and its hardships in the same light in which you hold the various "periods" of past history. Use your imagination . . . that's what it's for. Today's petty problems held in this sort of light seem very small and insignificant.

The march of despotism over the world, when thought of in terms of history, presents no ultimatum of a horrible end to the world. Since time began there have been little men who set themselves up as gods of some sort or other and expected the rest of the world to go around saying "Heil Hitler" or something equally stupid . . . and each of them—Caesar, Napoleon, Wilhelm and the others—has passed away leaving only a scar on the face of history.

And . . . out of every crisis there has come progress. Each war has brought a greater understanding, a betterment of some sort. Remember for yourself. The Roman conquest of England before the time of Christ worked hardships on the people, but in the end it gave them civilization. The wars of the holy land only helped spread Christianity further over the world.

The Crusades brought new learning and greater knowledge of Europe. The various revolutions, including our own, have all brought a better life to the people in each instance. The last great war did more to bring the world out of the horse age into the mechanical era we now enjoy than any other factor. It taught us that peace is not built of revenge extortion.

Then look at the present struggle with a double exposure. Up close we have all the problems of world politics and government and life to solve now. But from afar we can see the growing of a more intelligent peace out of the ultimate termination of the struggle.

—The Wichitan.

Things cannot always go your way. Learn to accept in silence the minor aggravations, cultivate the gift of taciturnity and consume your own smoke with an extra draught of hard work, so that those about you may not be annoyed with the dust and soot of your complaints.

—Sir William Osler

Open Forum

A. & M. is one college that is rich in many traditions that one won't find elsewhere; they have originated here and have kept alive by A. & M. students through the years. One such tradition that is well known to people even outside this school is that an Aggie speaks to each man he passes on the campus. And this is one custom that seems to be dying out more and more each day. A Senior walking across the campus any day is very seldom spoken to first, and often

when he speaks to each man he passes, some even fail to reply. It's not only freshmen, but sophomores, juniors, and even seniors and five-year men that are at fault in this matter. It takes very little effort to greet each man you pass with a friendly "hello" and makes both of you feel better for having spoken. Let's keep this matter of speaking foremost in mind and make this campus "hello"-conscious again. It is an Aggie custom well worth keeping.

R. D. Kenny, '42
Luke Moore, '42
Moak Rollins, '42
LeRoy Brown, '42

Man, Your Manners

By I. Sherwood

Here at A. & M. a young man doesn't wish to be known for his charming manners, but secretly he should be very glad he has them; it has taken years of practice for them to become a part of him, and, it is needless to say, he should not forget them.

The young man who has been in the habit of pulling out the chair for his mother at the dining-table, and to offer her the comfortable chair he has been sitting in when she comes into the living-room, won't feel awkward in showing such attention to girls and women in other dining-rooms and living rooms.

If you are in the habit of paying your mother or sister compliments when they look nice or have cooked some special food you crave, you won't stammer all over the place when you try to pay a compliment to some girl you admire.

Those of you who are accustomed to the give-and-take of pleasant relationships with members of your family and friends, won't have any trouble in getting on with strangers.

A gentleman, no matter where he may be, always adheres to the view that women deserve especial attention and consideration. The society of ladies and gentlemen is based upon individual dignity and mutual respect, and nothing stamps the presence or absence of good breeding in a man as his behavior toward women.

Quotable Quotes

"When most people think of democracy, almost invariably their first reaction is in terms of Jefferson's dictum, 'Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.' Associated with it is the idea that our national constitutional Bill of Rights is the automatic guarantor enabling us to achieve the Jeffersonian ideal. This latter association, however, is false; for positively there is nothing automatic about democratic goals. Their achievement is the by-product of social energy intelligently and persistently applied. The accomplishments of democracy must turn out to be more than a pictorial record in reverse. To avoid such a situation we in the Americas must be more interested in the realisms of democratic achievement than we are in uttering voluble statements about democratic abstractions. The citadel of democracy is enlightenment, and therein lies an educational challenge: the schools of the nation are under solemn obligation to impress youth with the gravity of the attack now being launched against the democratic way of life and to inculcate in them basic democratic principles. America's school system must help today's youth re-evaluate democracy as a mode of life." Dwight W. Davis, assistant professor of social science, Eastern Oregon College of Education, objects to superficial concepts of democracy.

The World Turns On

By Dr. J. H. Quisenberry

While we have admired Russia for her courageous stand against Hitler, we have felt that Russian Communism was eventually doomed because of its inherently unscientific assumptions concerning the individual. We in America have done considerable wishful thinking in regard to Russia's defense while at the same time advising means of inoculating ourselves against any possible infection by the red virus. Convinced that we are relatively safe the United States has gone ahead with her aid to Russia, though admittedly still skeptical about Russia's disregard for religion and spiritual motivation for individual sacrifice for the good of the group.

It seems we are now on the point of waging war ourselves on Hitler (peculiar how much better it sounds to say "Hitler" than to say "Germany"). In many respects Nazi dominated Germany is just the opposite to Communist Russia. Germany recognizes the inherent differences between individuals and have tried to unite them by education, the latest version of which is "education for death," Time November 3, 1941.

According to time's report Germany is educating her youth in the "will to die" for the Fuhrer. This of course is no new idea, since it has been a part of the Christian religion since the inception of Christianity. The willingness to die, if need be, for the cause of Christ. The difference being, of course, in the value of the thing to which youth is taught to give its loyalty.

Schoolmaster Ziemer's description of this phase of Germany's educational program gives credence to the report we hear so often that Hitler has set himself up as the God of Nazi Germany. How tragic for a nation, that her God shall so soon become senescent and die!

PRIVATE BUCK By Clyde Lewis



"Buck saw his first action Saturday night. His wife caught him in a crap game!"

BACKWASH By Charlie Babcock

"Backwash: An agitation resulting from some action or occurrence."—Webster

Arkansas Hills. . . No. 1 pet peeve against the fans at Saturday's game was the fact that not one of them stood up when the "Spirit of Aggieland" was played. . . . George Ogdee was walking down a street in Little Rock late Saturday night when a military policeman mistook him for one of the 100,000 soldiers at nearby camps, and told him, "You better get back to camp, soldier boy. It's after taps." "Soup" came back with the reply, "Take a look at those boots, buddy, I'm a senior from Texas A. & M." . . . It was no surprise to several Aggies on the Friday night special train when they woke up Saturday morning and peered out of the coach window at a farmer with a long gray beard and shotgun. The jug was missing . . . Roy Bueck was giving no little encouragement to brother Felix from the sideline as the young-er Bueck was making his historic gallop for a touchdown. And, Felix netted \$10 from Coach Homer Norton as a reward for the six points. Norton's customary gift to Aggie linesmen who intercept enemy passes is \$5, but states Norton, "This time it is an exception. Felix's run was worth twice anybody's money."

I am head cheer leader of a small high school and find it difficult to acquire many cheers for our team. I would appreciate it very much if you would send me some of your cheers as soon as possible, as I need them in a week. Thank you.

Gratefully Yours,
Aileen Faulkner
4014 Coleman St.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Merely a proof of further evidence that the fame of the yelling of the "twelfth man" is being flung far and wide, from coast to coast. But it is still not nationally known that we yell and do not cheer.

City Rules

Want a laugh? Go in to Bryan and take a look at the old city book of rules and regulations. . . . Tops among the mirth-provoking ordinances is probably the one that states that it is against the order and dignity of Bryan to break wild horses or any other wild animals, for that matter, in the streets of the city. Listed among nuisances are spitting on the sidewalk, or the dropping of any remnant of cigar or cigarette, which might bring a \$25 fine.

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COVERING campus distractions WITH TOM VANNOY

A situation most familiar to all Aggies is Mickey Rooney's plight in "LIFE BEGINS FOR ANDY HARDY" showing at Guion Hall today and tomorrow. In addition to Mickey in the cast, there is the usual Hardy family group, Lewis Stone as the father, Fay Holden as Mrs. Hardy, Ann Rutherford, Judy Garland, and a newcomer, Patricia Dane.

It seems that the Hardy pictures have reached a height for all other series to strive for. They have been consistently better received than any others, and their popularity seems to be increasing all the time. Andy has just graduated from high school. Undecided as to whether he wants to go to college and study law or become a business man, he goes to New York City to see for himself just what the world has to offer. Having graduated from high school, he figures that he knows just about all that there is to be known about just anything.

His money runs out before he can get a job, and one of his acquaintances in the city dies. Finally Mickey secures a job as an office boy. Eventually he decides that back to Carvel he must go. The city is too much for him. The theme is one that is typical of all American boys after they have finished high school. It is really a great show and you will enjoy it immensely.

A compact little crime drama is "RAGS TO RICHES" which is showing at the Campus today and tomorrow as half of the double-feature program. Alan Baxter and Mary Carlisle are the leading

Campus
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Double Feature Program Today and Tomorrow

CWS AWARDS
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(4). Seniors 1.15.
b. Accomplishment of proficiency tests hereafter prescribed.
c. Participation in intramural athletics, unless work or other valid reason prevents. These Chemical Warfare Proficiency Awards will be given twice each year; they will be awarded at the end of each semester.
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TUESDAY 3:30 and AFTER
YELL PRACTICE
WEDNESDAY 3:30 and 6:45
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JUDY SINGS!
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ANN RUTHERFORD · SARA HADEN
PATRICIA DANE · RAY McDONALD
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