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### **Championship**?

This week-end-the Aggie baseball team will go to Austin for a two game series with the Longhorns. The outcome of these games will determine the Southwest Conference Champion for 1942. There is glory for the winning team in capturing the coveted flag of champion.

Not since 1937 have the Aggies been able to hang up a baseball flag in Aggieland. In that year the Aggies beat the Longhorns on Kyle Field for their second baseball championship in the history of the school. The Longhorn monopoly on the championship was broken, but they still retain something like twenty-five flags to their credit.

Last year the Aggies traveled to Austin for the rubber game of the conference. Aggies followed the team with all the spirit they could muster, but you know the outcome. The two teams played in a sea of mud with the Texas boys victorious in a closely fought battle. A. & M. could have won the championship but for this one game, and this year, as things look now, another Aggie-Longhorn encounter will decide the winner of the flag.

To win from a Texas team is the supreme desire of every Aggie. Friday and Saturday of this week should be no excep-tion, and don't think that it will be easy to beat the Longhorns because we won from them here. Everyone knows how hard it is to beat the Steers in Austin, whether it's baseball or not.

Since the game will be on the Forty Acres, every Aggie should plan to go to Austin and support his team. Last year the band and some 1500 Aggies went to the Capital City. Another such representation should go this week. Detour that week-end trip by way of Austin and give those Aggies support.

### The World Turns On = By DR. C. C. DOAK ===

Aggies in the Spotlight—The Aggies at Corregidor have been mentioned by name over world wide broadcasts. A summary of A. & M. achievements has been written into the news papers. Our Representatives in Washington have recorded our accomplishments in the Congressional Record. Aggies are in the spotlight in Athletics, in Industry, in Corregidor, in Washington, with The Flying Tigers, in short everywhere. Every Aggie should swell with pride at our recent favorable publicity. The public appreciates the working and the fighting that Aggies have done and are doing. Let's keep the spotlight, but let's remember that the glaring light of public gaze not only shows off our good traits but shows up our defects.

Study, Work Fight-Last week the slogan Study, Work and Fight was proposed in this column. It may be more than a coincidence that in the week during which the words of praise for us were loudest and were repeated most frequently a college-wide letdown in class work was reported. Could this have been because not once in all of this publicity did we hear a word about Study? Work and fight are fine, but how about study, that third and most important ingredient in the life of students and colleges? Not once did we read in the papers or hear over the radio any loud praise for the quality or quantity of studying being done here. Do you suppose that if the spotlight had revealed evidences of study, in quantities worthy of praise, that \_ all our friends would have neglected to mention it

The Assembly Line—If a man who is employed to work on the assembly line does \_ less than his best, the work is too little and too poor, the products are not on time, and they fail in test. The workman is a slacker, a saboteur, a killer of our brave men, a be- The Indians called him Sikak, trayer of his country's cause, for the ma- and zoologists, more properly be-for games and sports are as imchines either fail to reach the front or fail stowed the name Mephitis mephiin the crucial battle. We are at war and the tis on this lonely forest dweller. shirking workman should be dealt with se- Even his pelt has been cloaked by dance of the skunks is a rarity and verely. The people of Texas through mass such names as Alaskan Sable or a thrill many a naturalist would meetings have said so in no uncertain terms. Black Marten. They have said so in resolutions sent to Too often we humans are inongress

ployed to fight at the front but sleeps on his ness in this world is to waft un-by a given signal the solemn-faced post, he exposes his comrades and contrib- pleasant odors on some cool sum- skunks move in stiff-legged hops utes to the defeat of our cause. He is a mer night's breeze. Astounding as to the center of the circle until quitter. He should be court-martialed. Re- it may seem, the skunk is one of their noses touch, then they remember the reasons for Pearl Harbor?

wide battle, a man is excused from the work squabbles or friction. From early til the periphery of the circle is of the assembly line and the bleeding of the baby-hood the little skunk never reached. This skunk rug-cutting is fighting line, in order that he may pursue learns the meaning of fear, for his usually repeated some ten or the safer but more important tasks of study- right-of-way is never challenged twelve times before the particiing at the study line, should he not preserve by even the most ferocious of aniwith the same dilligence demanded of the mals.

other boys? If he lets down, is he not also a The baby skunk is born in early The skunk's self-assurance is no quitter? If he does not deliver a trained man May, and usually shares his nurs- accident; he knows that he is imat the end of the A. & M.'s officer assembly ery with 9 or 10 brothers and sis- mune from attack from all animals line, is this not as great a crime as that com- ters. The rate of growth of little save man. His knowledge of field mitted by the workman who fails to deliver Sikak is slow, and when he is six artillery is second nature to him, a machine

ily to both bullets and disease. He is a great- 14 ounces. front? Americais Offendaring A.

forest-sleuth, for almost single-ACCOUNT OF I'M A SKUNK handed, he can eradicate many in-

Tex Lynn

jurious rodents and insects. Sikak has his moments, though portant a part of his curriculum give their eye teeth to see. About clined to think of him as an evil- will gather in a circle to begin dusk of a summer evening they The Fighting Line—If a man is em- smelling nusiance whose only busi- the weirdest of dances. As though aber the reasons for Pearl Harbor? the most amiable of all wood-folk, verse the procedure, and step back-The Study Line—If, in this day of world for its life is not fraught with wards in an arthritic-like gait unfat, juicy bugs.

WHAT'S SHOWING

AT GUION HALL

Tuesday, Wednesday-

Melvyn Douglas and Norma

Shearer in "We Were Danc-

weeks old-at an age when field and he has never been known to Question for Patriotic Aggies-An un- mice are ready to produce young misjudge distance or to fire a trained officer exposes his men unnecessar- of their own-his weight is but blank. Yet he is no bully; indeed, he will avoid any kind of encounter er menace than a defective machine in mod- When eight weeks of age, this and will usually allow an adern battle. Therefore, if any among us can- striped, ebony-eyed mammal is versary the privilege of attack or not (or will not) render service through weaned, and is soon ready to make retreat, and woe be unto the enstudy, should he not go either to the bench or its first trip into the great un- emy that accepts the former! known. The mother skunk usually Whenever one sees the skunk's -TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 5, 1942



By Jack Keith Norma Shearer,

Melvyn Douglas, Gail Patrick and Marjorie Main. The plot is based on a Noel Coward play, "Tonight at 8:30," wherein all realism is cast aside

Melvyn Douglas and the players seem to play their parts solely Melvyn Douglas, as Nicki Prax,

a professional house-guest and sponger of the rich, marries Vicki Wilmorska (Norma Shearer) right out from under the nose of her wealthy fiance. He decides to get a regular job and support Vicki as a husband should, but changes his mind when an opportunity to continue his racket turns up.

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Vicki sues for and wins a di-"WE WERE DANCING", a com- vorce after her husband has an edy depicting a "gentleman tramp" "incident" with one of his former is showing today and tomorrow flames. She returns to her rich at Guion Hall. The cast includes (See DISTRACTIONS, Page 4)



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**TODAY - TOMORROW** DOUBLE FEATURE

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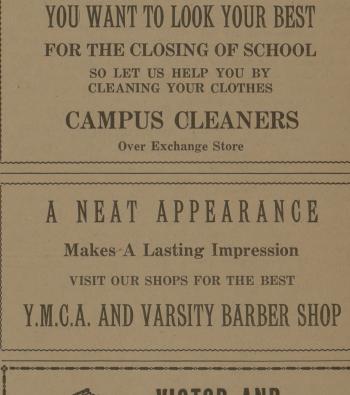
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**"SHUT MY BIG MOUTH"** 

with JOE E. BROWN ADELE MARA

2:40 - 5:20 - 8:10Also

**Mickey's Birthday Party** 





You never know. A group of Aggies sitting in the stands and giving forth all they've got might be the difference between victory and defeat. Army, let's go to Austin and beat the Longhorns in their own backyard.

#### Penny's Serenade By W. L. Penberthy =

We have had many inquiries, since the adoption of the speed-up program, in regard to what will be offered during the summer semester in the way of recreational opportunities for the students. Although I cannot speak with authority in regard to some phases of the program, I think I can give my readers a general idea of what might be expected for the summer.

First, we hope to be able to have all of our required physical education classes scheduled for the morning periods thus throwing all of the facilities of the department open for Intramural contests and unorganized voluntary activities during the evenings. These facilities include swimming, volleyball, handball, tennis, aggieminton, striking bags, boxing gloves, etc. The P. L. Downs, Jr., Natatorium will in all likelihood be the most popular spot on the campus and will be open for free swimming from 2:00 p. m. until 5:30 p. m. daily except Sunday.

The sports to be offered in both divisions of the Intramural program are softball, volleyball, tennis, water polo and swimming. Other sports will be offered if there is sufficient demand.

Those who do not care to go to the Gym for their recreation will be interested in learning that plans are in progress for the installation of facilities in the dormitory areas for such activities as horseshoe pitching, basketball goal shooting, volleyball, aggieminton and certain types of gymnastics. Softball equipment will also be made available as in the past.

Those of you who like to dance will be thrilled to learn that plans are under way to construct three additional concrete tennis say, "come on chilluns yet's play.

here. Both we and the world know it. Should behind in single file, looking all scarce. you not insist, therefore, that every man the world like some miniature cir-

who shares your glorious tradition, and the cus parade. glare of your spotlight earn through a vig- From the very first, the young orous program of study—work and fight, prove their mettle, and their in-

and especially in your halls of fame?

**Quotable Quotes** 

takes the lead, and, through some business end pointed in his general Good Aggies-your type is in the majority age-old custom, the liter tag along direction it is high time to become

the right to occupy space in our famous halls herent right to the name of skunk,

THE BATTALION -

SPIRE OF THE DUKE U. CHAPEL TWICE WITHIN

THREE DAYS!

NOBODY LOVES ME ON

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highlights from old HARVARD

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FACULTY "SNOOPING"

CAUSED THE "GREAT

REBELLION OF 1823". HICH RESULTED IN OVER

COLLEGE IN

for even though immature, their ability to become obnoxious is fully developed. Their diet is very catholic; June bugs, tobacco and tomato worms, root grubs, and grashoppers all fall prey to the

"If the people understand what the in- When older, the skunk may even dependent universities mean to the country tackle the swift field mice whose they will be able to maintain them, or at flesh is considered a delicacy in least those which are of strategic import- the best of circles. A mighty popuance, in any economic situation that we can lar around farmers is this striped

now foresee. Under any political conditions that seem likely to obtain in this country the state universities must live in constant fear that they will be sacrificed to fractional fights or personal ambitions . . The example of the independent institu-

tions is their only protection. The bulk of education and research of the country may be conducteed by the public institutions. The pace must be set by the independent universities."-President Robert M. Hutchins of the University of Chicago calls for preservation of the independent universities.

courts which will also be used for outside dancing. Roller skating will probably be introduced with these same courts being used as the rink.

The Town Hall program will continue to give very high class programs and I am sure our friend Dick Jenkins has many tricks up his sleeve to help us while away idle mo-ments with his Kadet Kapers.

All in all I feel that we will have many opportunities to enjoy ourselves and keep from getting stale and at the same time acquire a fair degree of physical fitness but none of these programs will be crammed down the student's throats. It has been a battle to secure funds to make many of these activities possible and the only hope of those who battled is that the students will show their appreciation by using and enjoying the various facilities, so, as Kay Kyser would



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