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Loss of Richard Jenkins . . .

A shocking surprise to the Aggies on the campus and to residents of this community came with the announcement that Richard Jenkins had resigned his post. No man will be missed more for it was his Singing Cadets and Kadet Kapers that made life more bearable on the campus. This man who has been so faithful to the Corps and service men will be missed because he was always trying to do something for everyone.

The Singing Cadets, under the direction of Jenkins, received fame throughout the state and brought notice to the college. Aggies will remember the entertainment they offered on Town Hall. Kadet Kapers, now called the Saturday Night Service Show, was begun by Jenkins to make a dry Saturday night interesting for those who were spending the week-end on the campus. These are only two of the features Jenkins has brought to A. & M. Wherever you find Jenkins, you will find a new successful entertainment plan.

It will be sad day when, on November 22, Richard Jenkins leaves for North Texas Agricultural College to accept his new position of associate professor of music. Our loss will be their gain. The Battalion staff joins the Corps, in wishing the congenial Jenkins a happy home at N.T.A.C.

Parade of OPINION

By Associated Collegiate Press

Mexico Wants to Trust U. S.

How is our Neighbor policy succeeding in Mexico? Maxine Stapp, junior at Indiana University, says that if it is continued long enough, it may finally offset the bad reputation which our diplomatic errors in the past have earned for us.

"But," she adds, "right now they seem to want to trust us, but don't quite dare."

Basing her opinions on what she observed during her two months' visit in Mexico and the University of Mexico last summer, Miss Stapp said that the people there are increasingly hopeful for better relations with the United States.

Their mounting confidence in our sincerity, she points out, stems from the fact that American public opinion, which they respect, appears to be back of our Good Neighbor policy. Even though they are still a bit wary of our Good Neighbor Policy, the Mexican people believe the United States is the most practical democracy in the world, according to Miss Stapp.

Her people are not war-minded, but they definitely want the United States to win the war, she added.

Jap Fanatics Will Fight to Death

From the lips of "The Last Man from Tokio," Army Air Force men on the Washington State campus recently learned the nature of their Pacific enemies.

It is not merely a military clique, but "70,000,000 fanatics who will fight to their death" that the Allies face, says Ramon LaValle, one time writer for La Nacion and a member of the Argentine embassy in Japan until recently.

"Japanese people will stop at nothing to help their government win this war," he explained. "There is no meat, no sugar, no coffee, no tea, but above all—no complaints. A Japanese family gets two eggs a month, fish once a week, and subsists mainly on a poor quality of rice."

LaValle told the many hundreds of men at Washington State training to be navigators, bombardiers, and pilots that "bombing alone will not defeat the Japanese, whose morale is strong." He explained "only through a concerted attack by land, sea and air may we hope to overcome the spirit and existence of these people."

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Every reader of the Battalion has some bleed to make about somebody or about something that isn't suiting him or her. For that reason, the Battalion is maintaining this Open Forum column to give its readers a chance to voice their opinions. The only requirement is for the reader who wants to bleed is to write the letter to Open Forum, c/o The Battalion, College Station, Texas. The column is open to everyone who reads the Battalion, whether the reader be a woman or man, girl or boy.

No one can be perfectly content with everything that happens in the world. Those who aren't content get their satisfaction out of bleeding to themselves or to their fellowman, but this does no good except to give satisfaction to themselves alone. By making your bleeds known, you might receive better satisfaction. This column is for the reader; write your letter, but be sure to sign it and if it is a legitimate bleed, your letter will be printed in the Batt with your name attached to it. You don't have a right to bleed if you object to having your name at the close of your letter. If you know that your bleed is a worthy one, send in that letter.

On the other hand, you may not have a bleed, but wish to express an opinion about something instead. These letters are also welcomed so send them in. Any opinion that you might have, be it a bleed or otherwise will be received with open arms, but remember that all letters must be signed.



Hello, for this week, and congratulations for this week's victory. Here's hoping that the Twelve-man team keeps up the good work, even if it isn't exactly work in all cases. "Ye olde Corn Huskin' Bee" was held Friday night with all the trimmings characteristic of that sort of affair. Gals went dressed in blue jeans, gingham, pigtailed, and with freckles painted on the noses of those minus the flattering speckles. Events included square dancing which eventually had everyone goin in circles, also a corn husking contest, nacherly, and a husband callin' contest. Referring to the last, no one answered the calls, but some suspicious looking four-legged creatures wandered by. Class sing-songs were won by the experienced seniors, as was expected. Considering the whole thing 'twas an enjoyable 'Corn Huskin' bee.

Dormitory dining halls were decorated in the things typical of Halloween terror last Saturday night. Bamboo cane, hay, and assorted spooky stuff gave added zest to the evening meal. In fact, it gave added zest to the food,

although it was rather hard to digest. Last week there was a tea for the Valedictorians. Don't know whether many attended or not. Strangely enough my invitation never came. This is rather discouraging as I am positive that I had made an "A" last year once. The girls that went deserve various congratulations.

Oh, mentioning our fads, there is a new one. It is wearing flannel plaid shirts that are at least sixty sizes too large, and have the habit of draping at least to the knees. They fit like a glorified flour sack, and figuring some way, that is a good thing.

Girls who take flying lessons made the acquaintance of Air Corp Captain Bill Whitson, a Dentonite home on furlough. He had been "traveling abroad" and mentioned that he had met numerous Aggies over there (hint). Over there is a jolly good place and blimey well situated. See, Aggies do get everywhere . . . in time.

Nuff chatter—bye for now from yourn' in spirit,
SuSu

invective and calumny. Contrary to observations, there has been no rift in the relations between S/Sgt. James LeBlanc and his "Friend Flicka," T/5 Sanders Heller. The reason Sandy has not been following Jim around in the manner to which everyone has become accustomed, is that Sandy has a sore hoof, and cannot quite make the pace. Within a few days, it is hoped, appearances will resume their normal aspect.

The handlebar contest in the language section is being won hands down by Cpl. Simon Pietri, of the Spanish group. Of course, Pietri had his lip growth when he came to us, and the advantage is all in his favor. However, hope springs in the hearts of many that by the time they leave, enough time will have elapsed for them to grow some of those six-footers usually seen in books of oddities.

It must be stated, though that the moustache gracing Simon's lip was grown in self-defense, to help himself and his twin brother, Sgt. Alfred, from confusing the general public. Imagination need not be stretched far to visualize the brothers taking the matter into their own hands after an annoying session, and tossing a coin to see who would venture the growth.

Our friend, F/Sgt. Walter Staggs (with an "S" we have been informed) is enjoying his first furlough in three years. Hunting and fishing along the Gulf Coast are his program for forgetting it all. Staggs certainly deserves the rest if he has bucked characters like

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New Orders Issued
By Commandant

The fumigation of Legett Hall was begun yesterday at 1 p. m., according to an announcement from the Commandant's Office. The dormitory will be fumigated with cyanide gas, a deadly poison, and all persons are warned to stay away from this building until Re-treat today.

Another announcement states that overseas caps will be worn with no other piping except black, or they may be worn without any braid. Beginning Saturday, only woolen overseas caps will be regulation for everyday wear on the campus.

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LOUPOT'S
Where You Always Get a Fair Trade

The Lowdown on Campus Distractions

By David Seligman

"The Vanishing Virginian" starring Frank Morgan, Kathryn Grayson, and Spring Byington comes to Guion Hall for Saturday. Don't let the title fool you, this is no saga of an expiring Indian tribe. Rather, it is a wholesome radiant and thoroughly entertaining slice of Americana without bustles and hoopskirts. Representing the America of the year 1913, it reflects the public sounding boards of suffrage and prohibition. Morgan is the epitome of the yelling, stomping, but lovable Lynchburg city attorney in an applaudable role. Spring Byington is his wife who revels in his ancestral background. The five children love him because he affectionately sees things their way. The story of this family is told simply, yet there is no sacrifice of dramatic content. The scene where Morgan takes over the pulpit at services for his faithful Negro servant is something to be remembered.

The Lowdown: Though lacking in "smash" star names, this film is a dramatic achievement that one can't afford to miss.

us during the time since his last leave.

Sgt. S. O. Samek is conducting a private feud with the contributors to a widely-circulated Polish language newspaper. Nothing, of course, will resolve from the bawling about of complaints and counter-charges concerning the virtues of Texas, but it makes hot and heavy reading. To date, the score appears to be 010, in favor of the newspaper publishing the letters.

We venture to caution both factions that promises in argument will fold up unless they are based on authoritative facts and not fancy.

Chuckle of the week: Pvt. Ralph Oberhoff was batting the breeze in respect to mathematics with a few of the lads, when Pvt. Stuart Moore ventured on the scene. Moore regarded the situation gravely, then asked Oberdorf where he had obtained it; Ralph, not thinking that Stu was talking about liquor continued to cite the specific bases for the point he was making. The gag is that Oberdorf was sober as the proverbial jee.

Pvt. Harold Gee is an ardent admirer of our Project House area, or so it would happen, in view of his continual provocation of restriction. It is expected that one day interest in the outside world will engender itself within his brain, and he will make an effort to discover what transpires with the rest of civilization. He is not really mischievous; it is just that he is high-spirited.

Nomination of T/5 William Hoy is made for the office of Mayor of America. He is the one man in the outfit who scarcely cares where he goes from here, because he has friends throughout the land. Such is the ideal frame of mind, but we warn Bill that popularity and fame have their drawbacks, especially where the signing of thousands of autographs is concerned.

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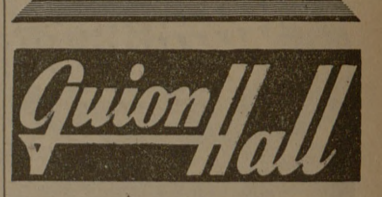
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dian army. He chums up with an army sergeant and in the end saves the lives of him and his comrades by warning the army of a native trap by blowing a bugle. The male leads portray the characters of hard-boiled army sergeants in grand style. The Lowdown: An old favorite that you will enjoy.



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