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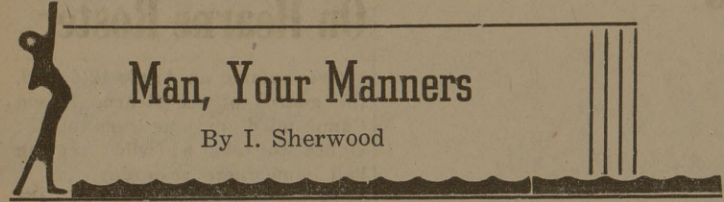
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Man, Your Manners

By I. Sherwood

The use of first names should signify friendship or close acquaintance. Even at College, with only passing acquaintances Miss and Mr. would be in better taste.

Never address older persons, except close friends, by their first names until they suggest that you do so.

In a business office, no matter how socially well acquainted you be with your employer on the outside, it is better to call him Mr. if his other employees do. It will help to preserve the dignity of the office.

In speaking of important people

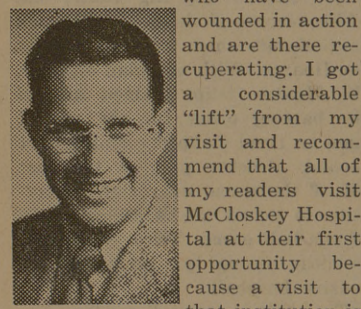
never refer to them by their first name unless you so address them personally and unless the person to whom you are speaking is also their friend. When you refer to a person by his or her first name, you imply that he or she is your friend, if you are merely casual acquaintances, you have been guilty of a social falsehood.

In every "set" where all are friends or very close acquaintances it is quite proper to use first names, however, the most fashionable cliques seem to be more informal in the use of first names than any other circles.

PENNY'S SERENADE

By W. L. Penberthy

Last Thursday I spent the day at McCloskey General Hospital in Temple. One of the chief reasons for my trip was to visit our men who have been wounded in action and are there recuperating. I got a considerable "lift" from my visit and recommend that all of my readers visit McCloskey Hospital at their first opportunity because a visit to that institution is sure to improve ones sense of appreciation.



I was very fortunate in being able to have a chat with about a dozen of our men and all of them lighted up at the sight of someone from Aggeland. They were very hungry and eager for news.

McCloskey is a very happy place

and the cheerfulness of the men is surely contagious. A great many of the men are very seriously wounded but any one of them can look around and see a buddy who is in just as bad if not a worse condition. While I was talking with one of our men, who will be there for a year, we heard someone playing a harmonica in an adjoining room. My friend said, "Do you hear that? I really feel sorry for that fellow—he has given both eyes and one leg but in spite of that he is the most cheerful one in the ward." My—what courage!

Many of us feel that we have a pretty tough "row to hoe" and are prone to feel sorry for ourselves. Then there are those of us who think the grass is always a lot greener on the other side of the fence, but I came away very thankful to God for my many blessings and upon returning, this campus, with its multitude of problems and opportunities, looked plenty green to me.

AS THE WORLD TURNS

By Dr. Al B. Nelson

Argentina has declared war on the Axis powers at last. Western Hemisphere nations have at last forced the pro-German administration of this last American nation to take action. Everyone knows that the sympathies of the Argentine rulers are still with the Germans but they at last comprehend that the Nazi cause is lost and that they must climb on the band wagon.

Russia's friends in the national administration keep insisting that we should not and must not criticize "our ally" for fear of disturbing the good relations and creating a feeling of distrust, but the Russians themselves do not feel the same way about the subject. The Russian official newspapers constantly hurl vitriolic and insulting charges at the United States and England without the slightest restraint by their government. Here, however, where we have a supposedly free press, the government discourages publication of facts showing the continual bad faith of Stalin, the Russian dictator. The Yalta agreements, which were strongly in Russia's favor on the Polish question are already being violated by the Russians who, having traded German East Prussia to Poland for eastern Poland have announced that the Principal seaports of the region will be retained by Rus-

sia. Space in todays column does not permit further listing instances of Russia's cynical disregard of the rights of her allies.

The "New Deal" is attempting to go back to the economic theories of the old days when they killed the "surplus" pigs and plowed under the crops. This time they have announced that after the Germans are defeated that it will be better for the U. S. to scrap all the arms and equipment that the soldiers have in Europe and manufacture new tanks, planes, guns, and equipment for use in the Pacific warfare. This is an obvious attempt to continue full scale wartime employment to further the political objectives of the administration. The fear is that unemployed men will vote the administration supporters out of office in the 1946 congressional elections, therefore, the nation is to be compelled to pay billions of extra dollars for war machines that are not needed, instead of using the perfectly good equipment already in existence.

Congress has voted an investigation of the food shortage in the United States. The vote carried 292 to 7, and was opposed by the administration.

General MacArthur is facing a serious smear campaign at the hands of Drew Pearson and other administration controlled newspaper men in an attempt to prepare public opinion in order that there may not be too big a howl from the public when someone else (possibly General Marshall) is given the command of the American armies for the great attack on the Japanese in China and Japan.

BACKWASH

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

By Eli Barker

The calendar said that the vernal season including the months of March, April and May in the middle latitudes north of the equator might be termed the first stage; the time of growth or progress or the season of the year when plants begin to vegetate and grow. But what does this have to do with the average Aggie? Just this: SPRING IS HERE.

Yes, Ole Army, spring is now here. No more Corps trips or other hard work to distract from the peaceful repose commonly known as sleep. Just good, honest rest, no more, no less.

No more worries, no more cares No more studies, no more tears (Rhymes with bears).

For reasons which are very evident, the author of that bit of poetry will remain anonymous. If his poetic ability were to become too well known, there might be serious consequences.

But also in the spring a young man's fancy turns to . . . For instance, this past week-end spring hit the freshmen and they came out with a medley of beautiful women. It was a short time after this that the spirit hit the rest of the Corps. A very short time afterwards. Then things became very involved and this story must end there.

The Aggeland Orchestra really whipped out Saturday night at the Corps Ball with a bunch of swell fast numbers. In fact the ratio was about half fast and half slow, with a slight nod to the jitterbug pieces. That was really all-right for the jitterbugs, but what about the rest of us?

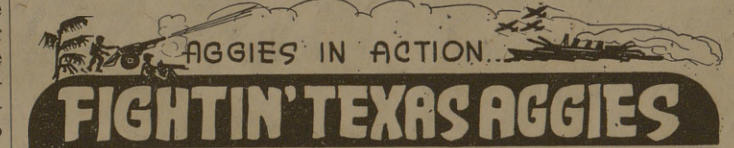
In a news item in one of the large city dailies, it was announced by Dean E. E. Davis that ten sophomores at the North Texas Agricultural College had been expelled for hazing. He made a statement that the hazing took place in the college dormitory during the past month and consisted of "some pretty brutal paddling." Some were "bruised rather badly—I saw some of the bruises and the boys were handled pretty roughly," he continued. (This is strictly a news item, no comment.)

From the land of Tessie came many of the dates for the dances of the past weekend. Also, many came from high school and besides that, they were seniors. The very highest in the secondary schools. Sort of Big Time Operators, more or less. Comments from the class of '44, '45, and '46 were that they would be a dandy bunch of women in about five years.

Among the many items of the Lass-O, the official paper of the Texas State College for Women, was one which said that 243 were listed on the Dean's Honor Roll with a grade point average of 2.3 or better. Included in the 243 were 19 who had a perfect record of all A's. That's even better than the record here at A. & M. Just a little bit though.

Hot tip—It was also announced in the Lass-O that there would be no Easter holidays at TSCW. Ole Army, you know what that means. Get out that old flexible thumb.

It was announced in the Texas Aggie that Beauregard Price Bozeman, Class of 1880, died on January 6, 1945, at the age of 83 in Satis, Texas. He came to A. & M. in the second year of his existence.



CLASS OF 1945
Pvt. Henry Rougnac is now somewhere in the Philippines. Lt. Hal B. Marion W. Mohrle, stricken with infantile paralysis last September while stationed at Big Springs, is now convalescing in the Army-Navy Hospital in Hot Springs, Ark. Sgt. E. G. Farrow is now serving overseas with the Infantry. Pfc. John Knight was wounded in action in Belgium on December 18, his wife, Mrs. John Knight, Dallas, was notified recently. He entered the service in June, 1943. Lt. Hugh O. Walker, Jr., and Lt. Alvin B. Wooten are both assigned to the 3152nd Signal Service Company at Camp Crowder, Missouri. Lt. Clarence A. Brawner, Jr., a Mitchell Bomber Pilot, recently returned to the United States for a thirty day leave after completing fifteen missions with the 12th Air Force based in Corsica. He holds the Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster and a Presidential Unit Citation. Lt. Brawner has been

rated as a Mitchell pilot instructor and will report to Columbia, S. C., for a new assignment. Lt. Hal B. Sims is now flying P-21 Mustangs in England. Joe Gilbreath recently graduated from the Navy Air Tng. Base, Corpus Christi, and was commissioned an ensign in the USNR.

CLASS OF 1946
P/O Mercer Abernathy, son of Mrs. Emily Abernathy, McKinney, has been awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal for "courage, coolness and skill" while participating in bombing attacks upon German targets. Abernathy, who entered the Air Forces in April, 1943, received his wings at Hondo AAF, Hondo, Texas, in June 1944, and is at present serving as navigator of an 8th Air Force B-17 Flying Fortress in the 385th Bombardment Group. Lt. John W. Oliver, Jr., is assigned to San Antonio, Texas. Morris T. Reese, S 1/c has been transferred to the NATTC Ward Island, at Corpus Christi. Lt. (See AGGIES, Page 4)

After 37 years of service to the Exchange Store and A. & M. College, I have reached the age of retirement and wish to express my appreciation to all departments for their cooperation and to my employees in the Exchange Store for their loyal services.

It is my desire that the same cooperation and loyalty will be shown to Mr. Carl Birdwell, your new Exchange Store manager.

R. K. Chatham, Retiring Manager

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MEMORY LANE

ONE YEAR AGO

General: Pioneer Follies to be presented at Guion Hall. . . Harold Borofsky announces coming Hillel Club dance. . . Basic ASTU disbanded; trainees depart from campus. . . A. & M. buys 2750 acre plantation in Brazos Valley. . . Jolene Proctor only fish sweetheart at U. T. Roundup. Sports: Texas beats Aggies at Ft. Worth Stock Show track meet. . . Pacio dives for Aggies at swim meet to be held in Austin. . . Arkansas withdraws from the NCAA. . . Bradford, Bill Terrell, and Lejune preparing for meet with Rice tracksters.

Showing: At the campus, "Taran's Desert Mystery". Guion: "Hold Back The Dawn", with Chas. Boyer and Olivia DeHavilland.

FIVE YEARS AGO

General: Mary May Crawford named Queen of the Ross Volunteers, Joseph Slicker chosen Prince. . . Ross Volunteers to place wreath on Sully's statue. . . Al Kavelin's orchestra to play for R. V. S. dance. . . Col. Anderson, retired commandant, plans to run for mayor. . . Hubert Braunig named King of coming R. V. celebration.

Sports: Norton says Aggies must be 25 per cent better than '39 to repeat win. . . Aggie polo team defeats San Antonio Freebooters, Jones starred for Maroon and White. . . Aggies win track meet, with Jude Smith placing first in shot put. . . Ed Dreiss showing great form on low and high hurdles.

Showing: At the Palace, Fred Astaire and Eleanor Powell in "Broadway Melody of 1940". Mickey Rooney in "Slave Ship" at Assembly Hall.

TEN YEARS AGO

General: G. E. Wyse and T. K. Irwin oppose Florida debating team this week. . . John Erskine will speak at college soon. . . K. S. Buchanan elected Valedictorian by Senior Class. . . Engineer's Ball will be held in near future. . . Pat Bellinger and his Artillery Artists are to play at coming dance. . . Bill to raise tuition fees rejected by Texas Senate.

Sports: Aggie Baseball team to end pre-season schedule with game at Beaumont. . . Jake Mooty (See MEMORY LANE, Page 4)

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THE LOWDOWN ON CAMPUS DISTRACTIONS

By Blimp Sager

PALACE — Playing Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in Bryan is The Princess and The Pirates, with Bob Hope. This show is definitely a scream sensation with Hope knocking himself out as usual. Of all shows to miss, don't miss this one.

LOWDOWN: Wear old clothes, you'll be rolling in the aisles.

At the Palace on Sunday is "Marriage is a Private Affair" with Lana Turner, and John Hodiak. This show is an extravagant melodrama about modern marriage. The gay couple have several knock down and dragsouts but things smooth out pretty good in the end. See it and pick up a few tips on how to handle the Mrs., either present or future.

LOWDOWN: Really a swell picture.

GUION — Showing Friday and Saturday is a double feature the first of which is Happy Go Lucky with Dick Powell, Mary Martin, Eddie Bracken, and Betty Hutton. This picture is set in the south seas in beautiful technicolor. Powell and Bracken are two professional loafers who run into Mary Martin and Betty Hutton at a resort there and who are supposed to be rich. The two loafers start trying to get in good with the two gals who are supposed to be rich. Many funny incidences occur and Powell gets in debt, and the gals turn out to be fakes, as far as being rich is concerned. He then tries to get Mary Martin in good with one of his friends who is filthy rich and owns a big yacht. They try using a native love potion but it back fires

when Braken and Hutton get to squirting it around freely. The show is full of good music, plenty of laughs, and loads of good intertainment.

LOWDOWN: Strictly all right. The second feature is The Cross of Lorraine which is another war story where a french captive of the Germans escapes from a Concentration camp and starts his own private underground war.

LOWDOWN: For killing time only.

Playing Sunday and Monday at Guion is The Miracle of Morgan (See DISTRACTIONS, Page 4)

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