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## The McLarty Case . . .

Though the McLarty case is by no means a settled issue yet, those who guard the scholastic standings of Texas colleges were cheered by the decision in Austin this week that a state college's board of directors do have the power to set admission standards.

Professional schools such as A. & M. College have built up their reputations the hard way; by turning out graduates of recognized competence over a period of many years.

Without touching on the facts in the particular case now in the courts, it should be evident that a college must be able to pick, from the great number of applicants, those who appear to be suitable for the profession in which they seek training. Only by such careful selection can a college continue to graduate men who will be a credit to their profession and their school.

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1931, at the beginning of the crisis which has just ended. On June 30, 1934, he saw Hitler and heard him make his terrible "blood bath" speech to the Reichstag. He heard Martin Niemoller's last address before he was thrown into successive concentration camps with thousands of persecuted Roman Catholics and Jews.

He saw Stalin standing on Lenin's Tomb giving a victory parade in front of Legation Square, grade of youth which even men gave promise of the magnificent fight that Russia was to make.

He came into intimate contact with Gandhi, Nehru, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and other leaders of Asia. For twenty years he annually conducted a travelling seminar of educators to study conditions in Russia, Poland, Germany, France, Great Britain and other countries in Europe. He visited the battlefield of Spain, met the President of Czechoslovakia at the beginning of the crisis there, and also the Prime Ministers and cabinet members of the various countries of Europe and Asia.

## WESTINGHOUSE TO GIVE THREE FELLOWSHIPS

Westinghouse Electric Corp. has announced the reestablishment of post-doctorate fellowships for research in physics, including chemical physics, physical metallurgy, and applied mechanics. Three appointments will be made this spring.

Applicants must be American citizens under the age of 35 with scientific training equivalent to that represented by a doctorate from a recognized university. Applications should be addressed to Dr. L. W. Chubb, director of research, Westinghouse Research Laboratories, E. Pittsburgh, Pa.

## HILL, MATTHEWS TO ATTEND WORKSHOP AT CHICAGO U.

Kate Adele Hill, district agent, and J. L. Matthews, assistant in agricultural planning, both of the A. and M. College Extension Service, will attend a Workshop on Extension Evaluation at the University of Chicago, March 4-16, it was announced by Director Ide P. Trotter.

Between the Book-Ends . . .

## Books Tell of Alaskan Romance and Opportunity

By Paul S. Ballance  
Acting Librarian

In the early days when the western frontier did not extend beyond the Mississippi, Horace Greeley said "Go West young man, and grow up with the country." In this twentieth century of modern inventions and the harnessing of atomic energy, we may think that there are no more frontiers to conquer. However, there is still an American frontier where our people may go and settle, and that is Alaska.

Within the past two or three years there have appeared several books about Alaska, the government has published booklets and pamphlets about the possibilities in our far North territory. Many magazine articles have been published about Alaska, and a greater number of people are more conscious of what the country is like. During the period from 1942 until V-J Day hundreds of people trekked to Alaska to help build our defenses, such as Airports, Army Camps, the Alaskan Highway, the Canal pipe line and other projects. On the other hand thousands of soldiers were sent to Alaska to man these defenses. Many of the civilians will remain in Alaska and many of the soldiers will return after their discharge from the Army.

Philip H. Godsell has written a most interesting and entertaining book entitled *The Romance of the Alaskan Highway*. This book is definitely not a technical treatise on the construction of the Alaskan Highway, but a popular book about why it was built, and the country through which it runs. No one would be in a better position to write about the Alaskan Highway than this author. He is an arctic traveler, and explorer, and as inspecting officer for the Hudson's Bay Company he has travelled over most of the territory from Lake Superior to the Hudson Bay and the Arctic Islands.

The first half of the book is primarily the experiences of the author in blazing trails through this North country. There were sections of this remote and isolated territory where no other white man had ever been ahead of the author. Godsell's secret in dealing with the Indians was to always take them gifts, or treat them fairly when trading with them, and this practice was not always followed by the other traders and trappers.

The latter part of the book is devoted principally to the action taken after Pearl Harbor, for im-

proving our defenses. The building of air fields as stepping stones to Russia and Europe made it imperative that a road be built into Alaska so that men and supplies could be moved in.

It was estimated in 1940 that a twenty-four foot grade, with a twenty-foot gravel surface would cost \$25,000,000 and that it would take five or six years to build. The Alaskan Highway was actually completed within less than a year as a war emergency project, and the cost was no doubt more than the estimated amount in 1940.

George Sunborg has written another very interesting book about this once isolated and far distant territory, entitled *Opportunity in Alaska*. The author discusses the opportunities in considerable detail for the craftsman, the professional man or the businessman. Some space is devoted to telling the reader what the country is like, as to size, climate, and people. These things are just as important as are the opportunities in one field of endeavor. Naturally, if people are planning to settle in a place to make a living they want to know of the physical features, etc., of the country. Alaska contains the greatest untouched forests on the North American continent. There are three areas or sections where agricultural may be made profitable, at the present time Alaska produces only one-tenth of the food that it consumes, the remainder is shipped in.

The fishing industry is one of the largest and it still offers great possibilities for expansion. The mining industry, fur trade and trapping still offer opportunities. The tourist trade, transportation and possibly construction offer the greatest opportunities in Alaska. On the other hand there is a need for doctors, dentists, nurses, engineers, teachers and many others. There are innumerable opportunities for the starting of a small business of some kind.

This book would be invaluable to

## FEATURES

### Karow to Look Over Aggie Linksters

Coach Marty Karow has issued a call for all men who reported for the golf team to show up at the Bryan Country Club on Saturday afternoon, March 2, and again on Sunday afternoon, March 3, at 1:00 o'clock.

He will be on hand to start off an intra-squad match and from the results he will begin work on those who will make the team to represent Old Army this year.

Present plans call for the Southwest Conference meet to be played here this year on the Aggies' home course at the Country Club which is always a distinct advantage to the home players.

Any other candidates who shoot in the low 80's are invited to report at the Country Club along with the others who have given in their names to Coach Marty.

### "Must Live Together or Go to Dust" Says Coers

"People of this world must live together in reasonable peace and harmony, or they will go back to atomic dust," Morris C. Coers told an audience Wednesday night attending the first forum of the International Institute of Understanding sponsored by the Bryan Rotary Club.

Presenting arguments for making an international organization effective, Mr. Coers was the first of four internationally known authorities who will discuss the overall picture of steps toward world stability.

T. R. Spence was master of ceremonies and the speaker was introduced by M. C. Atkins, vice president of the sponsoring organization.

those who may be planning to go to Alaska, but it will prove interesting to those who may just be curious about the place.

These books and others about Alaska are in the College Library.

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9:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
9:45 a.m. Aggie Coffee Club  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon  
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10:50 a.m.—What Christ Means to Me—  
Dr. Sherwood Eddy  
7:15 p.m.—Why the Baptist Church—  
Rev. R. L. Brown  
8:00 p.m.—Baptismal Service  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School  
6:15 p.m.—Training Union