

## Wanted: A Pre-War Batt ...

Since the Battalion went to tabloid size, in order to resume tri-weekly publication, it has been on the receiving end of much criticism, friendly but astringent. Readers have remarked on the small amount of space in the four tiny pages, and the proportion taken up by advertising.

No one is more conscious than the editors of the short-coming of the present Battalion. Our private bull-sessions are filled with moaning. The amount of interesting material that we can't find room to print fills many waste baskets each week.

But, frankly, we're caught over a barrel. Not only is newsprint scarce, but printing facilities are jammed with other work. We'd like to put out a full-sized, pre-war Batt, but until many problems are settled we won't be able to do it.

In a letter printed on this page, friendly readers Bolin and Forgeron chide us for selling 39% of our limited space for advertising. Believe it or not, we do ration our advertisements. Enough is offered us each week to fill more than 100% of our present space. It is general newspaper practice to hold advertising between 50% and 40% a page, which is about what we have been doing. In an eight-or-twelve page paper, that percentage would seem normal. In the Batt's four little pages, it does look rather overwhelming.

It has been suggested that the Batt eliminate advertising altogether. Unfortunately, that would also eliminate the Batt. And in the days to come, those same advertisers will help us give you a big new Batt, with more news, features and information in a single issue that we print now in a month.

All we can ask is: Sweat it out with us until we can get back to King-size format. (Hasten the day!) Then we'll be able to give you the newspaper you're asking for.

### Letters to the Editor

#### BATT IS WILLING BUT PAPER IS SCARCE

Editor of the Battalion:

It has been our experience the Battalion has been an excellent newspaper, keeping Aggies up to date on the latest happenings around the campus. However, we feel that there are certain deficiencies existing in the paper which should be brought to your attention.

We consider the most important fault to be the large proportion of space devoted to advertising. For example, in this afternoon's edition approximately 39% of the total space was given to this subject.

We propose that some of this advertising be eliminated and that in place of it be substituted a series of articles dealing with job opportunities, research, and general information concerning each of the fields for which students at A. & M. are preparing themselves. This information could be obtained from the various departments and could also be gleaned from periodicals and other publications in the particular fields.

We believe that most students would be interested in and benefit from such a series of articles.

Richard L. Bolin  
Carl D. Forgeron  
College Station

(See Editorial, this issue.—Ed.)

### Cat-Walking Painter Gets Sets Ready for "Junior Miss" Play

Things are buzzing around the old Assembly Hall these days. Johnnie Helm and his crew of some nine handy men are putting up the set for "Junior Miss", the second major production of the Aggie Players. The flats are up—after some precarious 2 x 4 cat-walking by Johnnie—and the primer coat has been applied.

The final coat of paint and all trim should be completed by Monday night for the first dress rehearsal.

Production nights are May 14 and 15, with tickets going on sale Friday, May 8. Reserved seats are 50 cents, general admission 35 cents. Tickets may be obtained at the English Department and from any member of the Aggie Players.

### DALLAS BANKER VISITS ECONOMICS DEPT.

A. C. Michaelis, assistant cashier of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, visited the campus this week to interview economics majors interested in seeking summer employment and possibly future permanent employment with the Federal Reserve Bank.

Mr. Michaelis was guest at a luncheon at the Aggeland Inn, with F. B. Clark and others of the economics department as his guest.

## BETWEEN THE BOOK-ENDS

Building or buying a house represents one of the largest financial transactions in a lifetime for the average family, and is usually the happy conclusion of many years of planning and conscientious saving.

The number of books that have been published on small homes building indicates the popularity of the subject, because there has been published within the past two years more than a score of books on this ever popular subject.

B. Kenneth Johnstone and others have written a book entitled BUILDING OR BUYING A HOUSE. This volume does not contain any house plans or drawings, but it is primarily concerned with those things that are so important when one either plans to buy or build. Some of the things to be considered in selecting a home site are: type of community, the stores, the schools, the safety of the community, transportation facilities, and also the recreational facilities. The actual planning of the home is discussed in much detail. There

are many other subjects covered, such as contracts, construction and construction hazards, and the parts that the architect and contractor play in the building of a house.

George Nelson and Henry Wright, on the staff of the Architectural Forum, have written a book entitled TOMORROW'S HOUSE, HOW TO PLAN YOUR POST WAR HOME NOW. The theory advanced in this volume is that our way of life is undergoing great changes and that many of our changes are already here. The authors state that the greatest virtue of tomorrow's house is pictured in this volume, in that it frees the plan—and therefore the family—from the arbitrary concepts which have gotten in the way of gracious living these many years. The authors do not call their designs modern, but merely provide more livable homes, with more livable space, without the old-fashioned doodads and gadgets.

In his volume entitled THE SMALL HOME TOMORROW,

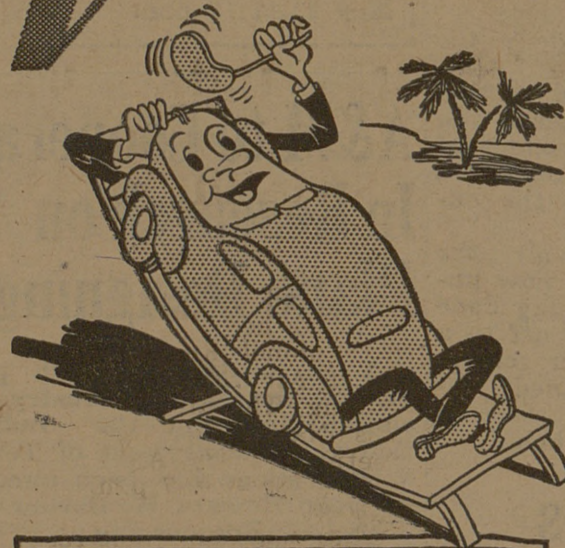
Paul R. Williams mentions some of the things that may be expected in the home of tomorrow; such things as an electronic oven which will cook a roast in less than five minutes. There will be lamps which will kill all bacteria and those which will collect all of the pollen in the room. Heaters no longer than a lunch box will heat large rooms. These are just a few of the things to be expected for the home of tomorrow. The author gives some thirty-two house plans and each is accompanied with an exterior sketch.

### ATLANTIC REFINING CO. TO INTERVIEW SENIORS

Representatives of the Atlantic Refining Co. will be on the campus to interview graduating seniors Monday and Tuesday 6 and 7. They wish to meet all seniors interested in their company in the Mechanical Engineering Lecture room at 7:15 Monday. Personal interviews will be arranged after the evening meeting for Tuesday.

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9. Clean fuel pump
10. Clean spark plugs and adjust gaps
11. Test ignition, coil and wiring
12. Clean air cleaner element
13. Replace oil filter cartridge
14. Clean battery terminals—test battery capacity
15. Check electrical gauges
16. Inspect and re-pack front wheel bearings
17. Change axle and transmission lubricant
18. Lubricate chassis fittings
19. Oil generator and distributor
20. Fill steering gear with correct oil
21. Adjust brakes
22. Check hydraulic brake fluid level
23. Check water thermostat
24. Clean car interior
25. Wash car
26. Give estimate on any necessary body work
27. Give estimate on new piston rings if needed
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R. L. BROWN, Pastor  
College Station, Texas



### SUNDAY SERVICES

- 9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
- 10:50 a.m.—Morning Worship
- 6:15 p.m.—Training Union
- 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship

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