

Well Done Again, Cadet Corps . . .

Congratulations are in order all the way around for the excellent Mother's Day Program last weekend. Laboring under difficulties encountered from inexperience from not having held a Mother's Day celebration on the campus in the past four years, the committee in charge, headed by Chester Reed, did admirably.

The outstanding feature of the whole weekend was the review of the cadet corps Sunday morning. All observers said that the cadets marched better than any previous time this year. Parents were thrilled by the perfect step and the straight ranks and files of the massed companies as they passed the reviewing stand. Perhaps it was the parents' presence which inspired the corps to do so well. It would have been difficult indeed to pick the best drilled outfit on the field that day.

The ceremony of the presentation of the General Moore flag to F Company and the Albert Sidney Johnson saber to Chester Reed was duly impressive. It is of course regrettable that neither General Moore nor the President of the College were present to award the honors, but next year, after long range planning, no such omission will occur. Incidentally, all you who wondered, the President was in Washington following a meeting of the Highway Safety Committee, of which he was the chairman of the engineering division. This committee meeting had been arranged at a much earlier date than the Mother's Day program, and it was virtually impossible for him to withdraw from it to be here at the college.

Mistakes, omissions, and sketchy planning are only to be expected the first year any such traditions are revived. What amazes us is that no more occurred than did. It is a fitting tribute to the parents who reared us, that such a detailed complex problem could be dealt with in the more than satisfactory way that it was.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Sam A. Nixon, Jr.
Editor-in-Chief, The Battalion
Dear Mr. Nixon:

Thanks for your letter commenting on our May article DANGER: HITCHHIKER AHEAD by Michael Evans. A number of readers have objected to the facts in this piece and have called our attention to the many honest drivers who offer rides and to the hitchhikers, especially servicemen, who need them.

This particular article was written and published for the protection of both rider and driver. No doubt you noticed that the author not only mentioned the crimes committed by hitchhikers, but also cited cases where drivers have robbed, injured, and killed innocent strangers they picked up on

the road. We agree it's extremely unfortunate that the people who need lifts will suffer hardships if hitchhiking is banned. However, our editorial board felt that the prevalence of crimes evolving from hitching made an article such as this vital to all Americans.

We were interested in the clipping from your school paper The Battalion. We have passed your letter along to author Michael Evans, since we feel that he will also be interested in this article about the Aggie way of hitchhiking. We appreciate your taking the time and trouble to write.

Cordially,
Helene Richards
For the Editors
Coronet Magazine

PENNY'S SERENADE

By W. L. Penberthy

It won't be long now until another class will be graduating from our institution. The class is small, but each and every member will go out from the school with one idea in mind and that to make a success of life.



Penberthy

In regard to your editorial of Friday, May 10, about the "Pistol Packin' Tessies" who defeated the Aggie rifle team this year, there are a few items which should be clarified, for the benefit of all concerned.

First, the Aggie-Tessie rifle match was resumed last year rather than this year. The Aggies went up to Denton and were beaten by the Tessies, by a two-point margin. This year the gals came to Aggieland and again trounced the Ags, by a one-point margin. This I must say to the everlasting honor of the little wimmin. However, these matches are not carded as regular season matches by the Aggie Rifle Team, for a very excellent reason—they are fired from the prone position only. During the regular season the Rifle Team cards matches with other colleges and universities, matches which are customarily fired in four stages—prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing. The prone position, being the easiest to fire from, is therefore the last practiced by the Aggie riflemen, since greater benefit would be obtained by practice on kneeling or standing positions. The Tessies, on the other hand, fire only in the prone position, and frankly, they get pretty good at it. Let Tessie-Ex Mrs. Shull take notice accordingly, but realize the conditions. We love you, ladies! but there are limits.

Yours,
"Blotto"
Harold Borofsky.

through college, and to provide for some simple, wholesome recreation. But if we are to be happy, and I don't feel that a person can consider himself successful if he isn't happy, there are some other things we must accomplish in addition to the accumulation of wealth. We all have our own ideas about these things, but the following is one person's idea and I feel that it covers the subject pretty well, and it doesn't even mention money.

"He has achieved success who has lived long, laughed often and loved much . . . Who has gained the trust of pure women, the respect of intelligent men and love of little children . . . Who has filled his niche and accomplished his task . . . Who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved Poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul . . . Who has always looked for the best in others and always given the best he had . . . Whose life was an inspiration, whose memory a Benediction."

6450 Seedlings Set This Spring

Brazos County tree planters set out 6,450 pine and hardwood seedlings this spring, according to a report prepared by D. A. Anderson of the Texas Forest Service at A. & M. College last week. The trees were grown at the Texas Forest Service nursery near Alto, and are part of a total of 1,761,000 seedlings grown and distributed from the nursery during the past season.

The largest planting in the county was made by the Boy Scouts of Troop 102 at College Station who set out over 4,000 seedlings as a memorial to Roland Nunn, former member of their troop, Anderson, who is in charge of the nursery program said.

They used to refer to them as kitchen matches. Now they call 'em Union, because they will strike anywhere.



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"I got interested in Accounting and Statistical work while in the army and am following it on through here at Texas A. & M. College," said Army Veteran Jack McKenzie of Mesquite, Texas.

Jack was discharged in September, 1945 after service overseas with the 453rd Bomb Group earning such decorations as the Air Medal, Victory Medal, American Theater Ribbon, and the European Theater Ribbon with Three Battle Stars.

He is entitled to four years of College under the G. I. Bill of Rights and intends to get his degree at Texas A. & M. College.

PROUD PARENTS

Mary Sue is the name which has been given to the young lady born to Veteran Student and Mrs. James R. Penland on May 9 at Vvalde, Texas. Penland, who now resides in Dorm 17, had to present the Bryan cop with a cigar in order to continue his "flying" trip to Vvalde.

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