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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1947

Statesman, Knightly Gentleman" Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Losing The Heritage

In view of the tremendous amount of school pride that most Aggies possess, it is odd that no where on the campus of A. & M. is found a "show room" listing the schools greatest achievements. a "museum" picturing its colorful past, and a "hill of fame" recalling the feats of Aggie "greats".

A trophy room combining all three of the features mentioned above.

features mentioned above, and located at a central point on the campus, would greatly highlight the colorful history of Aggieland.

Many worthy accomplishments of the college itself, together with significant campus incidents of bygone days are passing into a state of oblivion; these happenings, recalled to present-day memory, could serve well as a source of inspiration and enthusiasm to

thy account that are presently cloaked in shrouds of obscurity. Through the pioneering efforts of the A. & M. Agricultural Experiment Station and the A. & M. Extension Service, the productivity of Texas farms, along with the living conditions of Texas farmers, have undergone vast improvement since the early part of this century. Yet, most of the people of Texas, who are paying for these agencies, and Aggies themselves, know little more concerning their functions than that they are in some way connected with agricultural results and agricultural results. with agricultural work.

The record A. & M. has made in the two world wars as a military school is limited in

Pictures of Aggie Congressional Medal our heritage being forgotten?

Winners, Generals, heroes, would rest well on the walls of an A. & M. "Hall of Fame". An example of another little known, but highly interesting, Aggie feat is the Japanese surrender document of the Phillipine Islands, signed for the Allied Nations by an ex-Aggle. A copy of this document, personally signed by the Aggie general would make

a very interesting display. Though the Military Department has numerous military awards won by A. & M. rifle, pistol, and drill teams, together with other honors such as individual awards won at various ROTC summer training camps, lack of space has kept many of the trophies, plaques, and medals from being exhibited. They, too, should be exhibited in the Trophy Room.

A section of the Trophy Room could be set aside to recapture the accomplishments of past Aggie athletes. All-Americans, conference championship teams, medals and cups, all the evidences of the past glory that has come to A. & M. on the athletic field could be set aside here for the enlightment of new Aggies and as topics of reminiscence

Here would be the ideal place to trace the development of "The Spirit of Aggieland". to demand for fast, hardboiled en-Songs and yells, Reville's blankets, bonfire Pertainment. pictures, graduation ceremony pictures, final reviews, these are the connecting links to the triguingly shows the first scenes past, the keys to the true traditions of Ag- of the movie as would be seen

A room in the new Student Union Building being planned at present would be an ideal location for this "Trophy Room," but temporarily a new and larger trophy case in the rotunda of the Academic Building would serve the purpose.

Plato said, "Hereditary honors are a noble and splendid treasure to descendants." Is



On The Screen . .

Bogart, Bacall, and Bullets, All in a 'Dark Passage'??

NOTORIOUS GENTLEMAN

(Guion, FS). Rex Harrison teams

up with Lilli Palmer to make a

good comedy-drama. As usual his

wit and acting ability make up for

TROUBLE WITH WOMEN

sa Wright is assigned to do a ri-

diculing feature on the professor.

ogist and newspaperwoman fall in

love. There is a side dish: an

Adam's apple complete with be-

spectacled adolescent who also goes

for Miss Wright. Best thing in the

show: Iris Adrian as a strip-teaser,

uttering shrill little growls of self-

esteem, as she does or rather, un-

SUSPENSE (Queen, ThFS). This

TOGETHER

does-her stuff.

above average.

some of the pictures' faults and Editor, The Battalion; this one can be judged slightly

Enrolled as a student, she hounds highly for this.

Belita, Barry Sullivan, and Bonita same at A. & M.

By DAVE SELIGMAN

DARK PASSAGE (Palace, WThFS). Brittle, bullet-paced, and starring Humphrey Bogart and With the help of Miss Bacall he Lauren Bacall, this mystery has eventually establishes his innoall the assets audiences have come cence.

Some tricky photography under the direction of Delmer Daves inthrough Bogart's own eyes. The plot concerns itself with the story behind a man convicted of

Essay Contest On

entire campaign is devoted to personalities the best 5000 to 6000 word essay April 23, 1948.

> graduate college students in recognized colleges of the United States. A contestant may submit but one

No manuscript will be accepted unless it is typed, doublespaced on is another of those psychological had a pretty good look at A&M one side of the sheet. Manuscripts dramas of which we are getting since 1937. In my opinion the must be original, unpublished too many. Cast in the leads are spirit and basic traditions are the

Manuscripts should be sent to Granville. Tamiment Institute Contest, 7 East 15th Street, New York 3, N. Y. No manuscript will be returned unless accompanied by stamped, addresses, telephone number, and name of college on a separate sheet

of paper clipped to essay. According to Louis Waldman. Chairman of the Institute's Essay Committee, the purpose of the award is "to stimulate college students to constructive thought on

> DR. R. B. McNUTT DENTIST

Office in Parker Building Over Canady's Pharmacy

land under the guise of a psychol understand that the Student Acord professor. Star reporter Tere-World Peace Now'

A first prize of \$1,000, with ing to \$2,000, will be distributed to out smart his chilly fiancee in a cat-vs-cat game.

I trust that it will be possible to have more of this type entertainment him cat-vs-cat game. Social and Economic Institute for cat-vs-cat game. on "An American Program for World Peace in the Present Crisis" submitted to its second annual con-

The contest is open to all under-

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LAST DAY "Temptation"

Merle Oberon George Brent

Features Start 1:20 - 3:30 - 5:40 - 7:50 - 9:30

> -Also-MUSICAL SHORT LATEST NEWS Starts Friday

PLAYS 2 DAYS



The Trouble With Women" MILLAND - WRIGHT - DONLEVY DOUBLE FEATURE

BRUCE BENNETT AGNES MOOREHEAD TOM D'ANDREA DEWER DAVES JERRY WALD

TODAY THRU SATURDAY

HORROR SELOW

FRIDAY NIGHT, Dec. 12, 10:30 p.m.

two chiller-dillers on the same program

"THE HOUSE OF DRACULA"

"THE HOUSE OF HORRORS"

John Carradine Lon Chaney

with Kent Taylor Virginia Grey

Tickets bought after 8:30 Friday night good for this late show!

REMEMBER THE TIME — 10:30 FRIDAY NIGHT

CUION HALL THEATRE

Wine, Women, Not Song, Chief Evil to Youth Of America, Georgia College Poll Reyeals

Alcohol is the evil in the United States most destructive to morals and good character, results of a poll of students of North Georgia College show-

Trampling Out the Vintage .

Taken in conjunction with Religious Emphasis Week on the campus, the poll was conducted by Dr. Wright C. Henry Jr., Executive Secretary of the Methodist Conference Board of Education.

Five-hundred and thirty-six replies were given to the two questions of the poll: "What three evils in the United States are most destructive to morals and good character, and what three institutions, of practice, are most capable of correcting these

Of the 536 responses, 493 listed alcoholic beverages as chief evil, 303 named irregular sex relations, and 166 considered bad home conditions a destructive evil.

To correct the evils, 444 placed churches as the most promising, 243 named better home life, while 273 named schools, or education.

A sidelight study is afforded in answers given the questionnaire in 520 replies given as to 14 vicious evils. The 14 evils, and the number designating their rank: Alcoholic beverages, 359; immoral sex relations, 54; lack of home discipline, 37; lack of religion, 21; compulsory church attendance, 9; poor marriages, 8; greedy for money, 6; military schools, 5; poverty, 4; roadhouses, 4; crime, 4; gambling, 3; movies, 3; and lack of self respect, 3.

As to the cures suggested by the student for the evils, 272 named 12 cures, rated as follows: Schools, 79; better home life, 60; churches 43; Christian organizations, 30; love, 14; proper recreation, 7; good literature, 6; laws, 6; personal thoughtfulness, 6; Bible reading, 5; and prohibition, 3.

IT'S FREE—HONEST!

Letters

NATIONAL REPERTORY

bringing the troupe to Guion Hall,

and they are to be commended

Sincerely yours, CLARENCE K. ESTEN

REPLIES TO SEAL!

This letter is not a "float out"

I lived at College Station in 1937

'38 and '39 and Pve got buds in

the classes of '41 and '46, so I've

Regarding the North Gate guard

AGAIN!

WARNER BROS

PASSAGE

Dear Ray Seal:

but my personal opinion.

English Department

The owner of a Hollywood restaurant celebrated Thanksgiving by throwing open the door of his slaving his wife. He escapes from establishment to all comers for free meals. Sam prison to become a fugitive from (Zeb) Kaufman, the restauranteur, said there was the police and undergoes plastic surgery to change his appearance.

He told reporters he simply wanted to provide



'Don't Let This Happen to You"

the free meals because last year on Thanksgiving, he was away from home and lonesome.

By the end of the day, Kaufman said he had given away 600 meals.

"The Better Business Bureau called to find out what the "angle" was," he said "and that was the attitude almost everyone took-they wanted to know what the catch was People would see the "free'

sign, come in and eat with one eye on the alert."

'I guess they expected the house to fall in on them. One customer was so overcome he left a \$10

duty, in 1945 three Sips were to the laundry to shrink the colcaught coming into that same gate lars. loaded with gasoline, thermite, and Last week I opened my "neat

paint. Thanks to the guards, they bundle' and guess what? Only two accomplished nothing. 'Kid stuff' shirts came back, and they came in the "ironed backward and crushpays off sometime. Remember, it's awful easy to get ed' condition which you mentioned. the spirit when you're winning and Frothing at the mouth. I dashed we haven't won for years, so I'd over to the laundry where I was The recent productions by the say the spirit is better now. I saw told that the shirts hadn't been National Repertory Theatre on our a lot of your class to above mine checked in in the first place and

campus were, in my opinion, huge leave the TU game early. I guess that I had probably "written the

TALE OF A SHIRT

Editor, The Battalion:

(Campus,FS). That's the topic of successes. They were admirably a lot of people either have forgot extra two on the slip AFTER sendnterest with unflattering Ray Mil- done and had audience appeal. I ten or never had the 'ole spirit" ling to the laundry." Don't anyone tell me to put in DICK DENNEY, 49 claim, or see the dean, or see the police. I have already done all

of those, and guess what happen-But I bet something will after this letter is published, and guess

Re: "Tale of a Shirt" (last is who to. . . ME! · (NAME WITHHELD) tails (holes in shirts). You go

yours BACK, didn't you? I bought four brand new French- Americans read at least five times cuff style \$4 shirts and sent them as much as their grandfathers did.

GUIONHALL

LAST DAY!



FRIDAY - SATURDAY DOUBLE FEATURE



Nuch real people, Such real romance, Such real and rare humor, it becomes



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Aggies new in the ways of Aggieland.

The achievements of A. & M. in the field of agriculture are among the works of wor-

the minds of most students to the idea that "Aggies make good officers." Material facts pertaining to the many highly interesting feats and accomplishments of Aggies who fought in the first and second world wars are either entirely lacking or else considerably clouded and difficult to recount.

'Kissing Jim' and Others... The recent nationally publicized antics

of Governor James Folsom of Alabama ac-cents a dulious trend in state politics below

the Mason Dixon Line. Although 'Kissing Jim' is the more recent and most heavily photographed, he is not the only state chief executive who has shown more talent in playing the steel guitar than in guiding the affairs of state. Louisiana also sports a governor who, though legally trained gained his office through popularity on the hill billy hit parade.

And though we recently sent him packing off to Capitol Hill Texans should not forget that the series of guitar to governor success stories started with our own present

junior Senator. Having a singing governor may not be directly damaging to a state's management system, but Folson's late tabloid write ups can hardly be construed as helpful. The wisdom of ignoring a legally versed candidate, and giving the state's highest position to a man who has been rained as a fiddle player,

does seem questionable.

It is altogether possible that many musicians might become capalle executives. The objection is not to their attaining the position, but to their indans of attainment. It is dangerous to ignore political issues while an

and concerts by string bands. Not one of the series of musical governors

obtained his office by coercion or under- test. Closing date of the contest is handed methods. To a man they were voted into office in the most democratic fashion, two of them with impressive majorities. But lay failing to commit himself on any

issue, the band leader gains a tremendous essay. advantage over the candidate who discusses issues frankly, and gains enemies in the process. Only the voter can offset this handicap, by considering political merits alone. It is easy to "scratch" a capable person

who has rankled you on a minor issue. It is equally easy to cast a vote for a non-committal candidate. The simplicity and lack of thought required may be one reason for the dressed envelope. In submitting the trend. We do not necessarily need voter edu- manuscript, the author should type cation. Voter thinking would be more valu- full name, college and home ad-

Admittedly the position of state chief executive has lost much of the importance it once commanded. Competent assistants and good party machinery can nullify the effect of a blundering governor. However it might be more profitable in state accomplishments matters of social and economic inand prestige to eliminate the blundering portance. earlier by looking at our elections as something more than a popularity contest.

'Capitalist With A Cleaver' ...

George Rookston, the Philadelphia retail butcher who sells meat at wholesale prices, plus a \$1,25-per-customer-per-week service fee had a sound idea at the start. It is proving popular in practice. Rookstool hoped for 300 customers. At last report he had 560, and was planning to cut the fee to 75 cents. The idea has aroused interest among other pleat merchants, including three operators who have announced similar experiments in St. Louis.

Obviously, this plan serves the customer's interest. Rockstool claims it saves the customer 25 percent. But i tis equally sound for the seller, because it brings Rockstool all the trade he can Handle. He prefers, as a genuinely enterprising merchant should. to gain his income from a large turnover at a low unit profit rather than to wait for N.C. customers at a higher price.

Two objections could be raised. First not all kinds of stores could use such a plan. A piano dealer obviously could not, but dealers in many steadily bought items, especially foods, could do it. Second, part of Rookstool's advantage comes from taking trade away from higher-price butchers. But if more enterprising capitalists forced their competitors to bring down prices, then Americans would eat more meat and enjoy more of other good things as well.

-St. Louis Post-Dispatch Marriage announcement from the New Bern (N.C.) Sun-Journal:

MARRIAGE LICENSE Kenneth Le Landeck, of Washington, D. C., to Ada Naomi Whitford, of Vanceboro,

PLANS FOR 10.

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