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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1947

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

### Be Careful This Christmas!

As you say "goodby" to your roommate for Christmas holidays, could it be the last time you say "goodby" to him or A&M Col-

We expect you to return to A&M after the holidays but this inevitable "death" may already have an appointment for you and several more Aggies!

Traffic deaths don't always happen to other person". Of the 7500 students from A&M you stand as good a chance as anyone to be that "other person" Safety First, carefulness, and watchfulness are beautiful words and make good "don't do it" conversation, but they are hollow without individual

We have had several "Silver Taps" on Mondays this fall for victims of week-end traffic accidents. With such a large student body, the law of averages says that others

A letter to President Gibb Gilchrist from Governor Beauford Jester states that the

our State." may take place before summer.

## Collapse in Education.

A proposal issued recently by President Truman's Commission on Higher Education turns the spotlight on a condition that has been in the shadows for some time. Although we are one of the worlds most educated powers, our entire edication machine seems to be spinning its wheels.

The federal proposal was for sufficient financial help to double college enrollments by 1960, and it contained a denunciation of "Quota Systems" and radial segregation in schooling. The 103 page report said in part that we not only face a shortage of doctors, teachers and other professional personnel, but stand in peril of fostering an "intellectual elite" as well.

At first glance our colleges, with their veteran students crammed into all corners. seem the ideal in educational mass production. As in most first glances, the impression is deceptive. This year's vet grop is the peak and he must be replaced by today's high school population

The clinker here is that the high schools are unable to replace the college students because of their own student problems. High school failures are now more numerous than ever before, and they occur in the last two years as well as the first two. Many schools have reported as many as 35% of a graduating class failing to get diplomas.

Department of Public Safety expects 100 persons to die during the holidays on Texas highways (bringing the year's total to 2,100) and at least 2,870 people will be in-

Governor Jester urges, "That each citizen impose upon himself such discipline and a sense of responsibility for the welfare of others that his acts behind-the-wheel not lead to the death or injury of his fellow men. A prediction of 100 deaths and 2,870 injuries are not inevitable. They can and must be

Such sickening slaughter and suffering would be a stark negation of the Christmas message on earth peace, good will toward men. A concerted and intensified campaign, God willing, may bring about an accidentfree Christmas season for all the people of

In your eagerness to get home you can gain time by hurrying, but you may lose a lifetime. BE CAREFUL!

#### The seams are also bursting at lower levels. Our own Gilbert-Aiken Committee, the Texas educational watch dog, paints a dismal picture of our grammar schools. Insufficient funds, poor instruction, and in-

adequate facilities, especially in the rural areas, are forcing our primary schools to offensive to defeat the Marshall turn out students who are unable to cope Plan and extend Soviet domination with high school work. Aside from the faults of the entire system, there are some self inflicted stop gaps. The admission quota systems, employed by many universities, are in many instances the fact that it finds the three

tion or no education at all. The Truman report lists these statistics: ed by the newspaper Paris-Presse by 1960 there will be two million new admin- as declaring that his country couldistrative posts to be filled. One million new teachers must be recruited and trained to teacher's of a receeding wave. The ex-G.I and his pro- match the growth of the population and ecofit-producing Bill of Rights will soon be gone, nomy, and to overcome today's deficit. Some To Sponsor Dance 26 thousand more doctors will be needed than the number now in sight,

To meet these demands the commission says the federal government must "expand a dance to be held Saturday, De- appropriate for the maintenance of greatly" its financial aid. It mentions scholarships, fellowships, and general support, and says specific proposals will be offered later. dose at midnight. We are not only anxious to hear these proposals, but are equally as eager to see what at a meeting Monday night to hold will be done about them.

## Over-Specialization Curse . . .

The report of President Truman's com- 'the first of several reports on education, mission on education (discussed above) also has some eloquent words on a subject often discussed in these columns: rounded educa-tion for citizenship as well as for a profession. The committee says

"Present college programs are not contributing adequately to the quality of students' adult lives either as workers or as citizens.

"This is true in large part because the unity of liberal education has been splintered by overspecialization."

In short: too many schools let too many students spend too much time in one field of study without making them take, along with their specialty, a course of studies which will round out their thinking.

The commission, which this week made

The classified ad in the Dallas (Tex.) Times Herald said: NEVER SAY NO

When you can find a nice little 5-room red brick for sale. It has 8 bedrooms, living room/dinning room, Nitchen, 8x9 breakfast room and bath.

HEADLINE in New York Herald Tribe recently: ALBANY GETS DIAPER une recently: BILL.

From Boston (Mass) Post: "The boy fell through the rusted floor in the rumble seat of an old couple."

Specialization is a hallmark of our so-

ciety and its advantages to mankind have Composite Group been remarkable. But in the educational program it has become a course both of strength To Meet January 8 and of weakness.

Filtering downward from the graduate and professional school levels, it has taken over the undergraduate years, too, and in the over the undergraduate years, too, and in the in the Chemistry Lecture Room, more extreme instances it has made of the Colonel R. A. Eads, commanding liberal arts colleges little more than another officer, announced today. vocational school, in which the aim of teaching is almost exclusively preparatory for advanced study in one or another specialty.

'Today's college graduate may have gain- chology. ed technical or professional training in one field of work or another, but is only incidentally, if at all, made ready for performing his duties as a man, a parent and a citi-

LOST-AND-FOUND advertiser reported this hard-luck story in the Salt Lake City has announced examinations for (Utah) Telegram: "Lost-Keys on three rings, has four-leaf clover and rabbit foot."

A REPENTANT subscriber wrote to the Los Angeles Times: "A neighbor informed me that she had seen our dog and another one tear up the Times. I am sorry for this and will keep our pooch locked up in the fu-

Classified ad in Beaumont (Tex.) Jour- Street, Dallas 1, Texas. nal: "FOR SALE—Two milk cows, one extra fine, one extra sorry."

## The Battalion

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WITHOUT GRAVY



As MacKenzie Sees It . .

## Big Four Collapse Finds US, England, France in a Huddle

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

AP Foreign Affairs Analyst The collapse of the Big Four efforts in London to frame German and Austrian peace treaties has sent America, Britain and France into a huddle to devise ways and means for the economic consolidation of Western Germany, leaving eastern Germany in the hands of the Russians who will use it as a base for their further across western Europe.

This may easily be the decisive European battle in the struggle between Communism and the Democracies. On the brighter side is tailored to deny learning to certain minorit- major Democracies finally united in this crisis. ies. In the 17 states where segregation is

As the Big Four Conference was practiced, the Negro receives inferior educarushing to an angry close, French Foreign Minister Bidault was quot-

The Austin A&M Mother's Club dember 20 at the old Boy Scout peace and security. Hat in the Rollingwood Addition. The dance will begin at 9 p. m. and

The Austin A&M Club decided their Christmas Party at "The La Conga" in South Austin on December 29th. All members of the club and the Bryan Field freshman are urged to attend. Details of the party may be obtained by calling president Jimmy McGuire.

The 479th Composite Group, Organized Reserve, will hold its next meeting at 7:30 p. m., January 8

Topic for discussion will be "Psy chological Warfare" presented by Professor M. S. Kavanaugh of the department of education and psy-Visitors who are interested are

invited to attend.

### Civil Service To **Give Nurse Exams**

The Civil Service Commission the positions of General Staff U. S. SUB STAYS DOWN Nurse and Head Nurse, according FOR SEVERAL WEEKS to Paul H. Figg, Regional Director of the Civil Service.

Entrance salary will range from \$2644.80 to \$3397.00 per year. Emed from the Post Office; or from the Director, 14th U.S. Civil Service Region, 210 South Harwood

tween Russia and the USA. He said "it becomes obvious that the USSR's efforts no longer are aimed at peace.

n't act any longer as referee be-

Bidault's statement might be extended. It is equally true that it no longer is possible for any country, or individual, to take a middle of the road course between Communism and D.... one or the other. munism and Democracy. It's either

Meantime, in accordance with treaty obligations, the last of uncle Sam's Troops in Italy are aboard a Yuletide transport, bound for home, and the British also have folded their tents and departed that economically shattered and politically turbulent country whose government is fighting a life and death struggle against Moscow-directed Communism.

At first glance this withdrawal might seem like yanking crutches from under a cripple-but not so. These military contingents had been reduced to a handful of men, by the club to all Aggies living in mere token forces. And as the the Waco area and to those who placed by President Truman's blunt warning that, if Italy's sovereignty should be threatened, the United States would be obliged to conis honoring all Austin Aggies with sider what measures would be

That, I take it, is a promise English Tea Given ouched in the language of diplomacy—to safeguard Italy from ag- By Study Club

### Staff Members Go To Alabama Meet

Dr. D. R. Ergle and Dr. J. Ferguson of the Agricultural Expeby Mrs. J. Krug and accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Steen; a Christmas riment Station and Dr. J. G. Potter, head of the physics department, are attending a conference story by Miss Marjoric Wipprecht, on the application of radioactive and songs by Mrs. Russ Neff. isotopes in agricultural research at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Au- TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD burn, Alabama, December 18-20,

DEFENDS SOUTH The conference will include papers on research by agriculturists, SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 18 + (P)biologists, and physicists. The National Guard of Texas, La., and Calif., will comprise the South

### Corpus Club Holds Christmas Dance

The Corpus Christi Club will hold its annual Christmas dance at 9. Field, declared here. p. m., December 26 at the Plaza Deck in that city.

Special guests of the club will be the athletes of the local high school and junior college. Tickets may be procured now from Forrest Sparks, Room 401, Dorm 2, or from members of the club in Corpus Christi during the holidays by calling 5666.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18 - (P) An American submarine remained under water off New England reployment will be with various Fed, cently for "a couple of weeks" and eral agencies in the state of Texas, could have stayed there much long-Application forms may be obtain- er, Rear Admiral Charles W. Styler has revealed.

The craft was equipped with a "snorkel," or breather tube, copied from captured German U-boats.

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## 'Cows for My Patients,' Is Winning Policy Of Country Doctor From North Carolina

Dr. Henderson Irwin, an old-fashioned country doctor from Eureka, N. C. has proved that the best ways to cure cows is to have plenty of the four-footed animals among one's medical "equipment".

Dr. Irwin uses his surplus cows to lend to his patients. The system is based on the theory that a man must have a cow, especially if he is sick. So the dock forks over a cow if the patient doesn't already have one and the patient gets the benefit of plenty of milk. The doctor gets a return on his investment in the form of all the calves.

"From a \$150 cow, I can sell the calf for \$35, good return," says the doc.

Years of family practice have convinced him, the doctor says, that "a couple should be refused a marriage license unless they can say they have a

#### bed, a stove and a cow." WEST POINT FOOTBALL. SOUTHERN STYLE

**Found** 

longing to Mr. and Mrs. J. E.

Hatcher, were found at the an-

nex. The cards are at the Campus Security Office at the annex.

A watch and a pair of glasses

have been found outside the Ani-

mal Husbandry pavilion. These

articles can be claimed by identi-

fying them at the animal hus-

Waco-McLennon

To Meet Tonight

The Waco - McLennon County Club will meet in Room 301, Good-

win Hall at 7:30 p. m. tonight to

make final plans for the Christ-mas dance, E. O. Courtade, presi-

dent, announced today.

The dance will be held at the

Casa Blanca Supper Club, Lake

Shore Drive, Waco, December 22

The Campus Study Club held an

English tea Tuesday in the YMCA chapel in honor of its twenty-three

Included on the entertainment

program were Christmas carols by

the Harmony Choral Club, directed

ern perimeter of defense of this

country in case of surprise at-tack, Major Gen. Kenneth F. Cram-

er, chief of the National Guard Bu-

reau, speaking to 10th Airforce

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bandry office.

by the Club.

Christmas holidays.

new members.

The football teams of the United States Mili-tary Academy seem to be following in the best tradition of the Old South although General U.S. Grant would probably turn over in his grave if he heard about the new developments along the Hudson.

For the second straight year, the Army football eleven has elected a Southern for its football

This year, it was Joe Steffy, All-American guard from Chattanooga, Tenn. Next year, the Army's gridiron destinies will be handled by Bill Yoeman.

former Texas A&M star. Youman, a center, is from Glendale, Aris.

#### NO JUSTICE

John Wolters, 26, admitted to police in Chicago that he had totaled \$15,000 in nine tayern robberies recently but added he had his own troubles.

Wolters disclosed that the obstacles in his oc-cupation sometimes "enrage" him. He told police: "Sometimes there'd be too many people in a tavern for a robbery. I'd hide my gun above the towel rack or behind the plumbing in the men's room. "And three times the gun was stolen."

#### HE AIN'T KIDDING

The dog ratcher got a goat in his net in Sacremento. Cal., recently and now he wishes he hadn't.

"I just got to find the owner," wailed Poundmaster George Martin. "This goat is going to be a mother pretty soon.

"She may be kidding, but I'm not."

### EVERYTHING FOR THE CUSTOMER

Paris motion picture houses are so cold in the winter that the glove industry has announced two-handed gloves suitable for holding hands with a girl in the movies.

The idea was an immediate hit—and theatre

managers believe it has picked up considerable attendance in the icy interiors.

The popularity of it is not limited to either
sex. Boys and girls both approve the idea. And why
not, we might add.

#### 'College Speaks' To End Year Friday A box of Christmas Cards, be-

Dr. T. R. Hamilton, of the de-partment of business and account ing, will speak Friday at 5:15 over WTAW on "Why Business Moves in Cycles". This will be the last speaker before the Christmas holi

The daily College Speaks Series will be resumed on January 5, 1948 when C. A. Sauer, of the English department will speak on Our department will speak on Language Beginnings".



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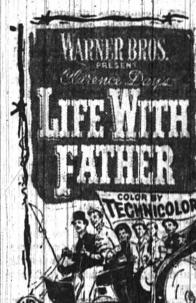
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