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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Now We Have Mesons.

We don't quite inderstand what a Meson is, but we do understand that production of them at the University of California has been hailed as the biggest advance in atomic physics since uranium fission was perfected. That made the atom-bomb possible. Remembering what fears the atom bomb has led to, we don't know what to think about the

achievement ends a notable race among scientists in America, Europe and perhaps elsewhere.

Production of Mesons in the laboratory for the first time was announced Monday by Dr. Ernest O. Lawrence, famed atom-smasher, and James B. Fisk, research direc-

tor of the Atomic Energy Commission.

The potent particles, which eventually may point the way to atomic energy far greater than that produced by the atom bomb were produced in the University of California's 4,000 ton cyclotron.

Dr. Lawrence said laboratory Mesons will give scientists their best tool for finding out just what particles there are in the nuclei of atoms. However, there will be no immedi-

Now we have man-made Mesons. What are we going to do with them? at a practical application, he added. Despite the atom bomb, little is known about the in-

Dr. Lawrence termed the accomplishment "one of the great milestones of all time in fundamental atomic research."

Mesons are important because they are the most powerful particles known to science and because they have something to do with nuclei which researchers must learn about before they can solve any remaining atomic

In nature they come from the upper air. Presumably they are born when the nucleus energies of hundreds of billions of volts. The energy produced in uranium atom explosions is only 200 million volts.

The cyclotron mesons are feeble onesonly about 4 million volts. Bigger atom smashers will be needed to produce the more powerful ones, Dr. Lawrence said.

We hope the Mesons will behave them-

Klan Profits by Split

One organization at least has profited by the row over President Truman's Civil Rights Bill. The Ku Klux Klan long dormant, is experiencing an increase in membership, according to its leaders. The Klan's profit is the

The Ku Klux Klan may have been necessary in Reconstruction days. But when they suggest, as they do today, that federal troops will soon invade the South to force white women and Negroes together at bayonet point, it is quite evident that they are talk-

what the members claim they fear—federal matter now stands we must cast our ballots Paso via Pecos, Gen Robert J. are operated in Texas and, to pro- unter of the University of Texas intervention by force.

The hooded and robed order has stepped up its activities. A new pamphlet says it is ready for a period of "constructive planning and activity."

Spokesmen deny any Klan connection with some activities charged against the group. But they advertised widely in advance a recent parade in Swainsboro, Ga., and another in Wrightsville, Ga, on the eve of a county primary election.

In both instances crosses were burned on the courthouse lawns after from 200 to 300 hooded and robed klansmen paraded around the square. Leaders said the KKK had gathered to rededicate itself to maintenance of Southern traditions, including segregation of

At Wrightsville, Dr. Samuel Green, Atlanta physician and Grand Dragon of the selves, the Klan is cutting the very ground Georgia Klan, told the growd "we want to from under their feet."

see the Negro treated fairly. But whenever the Negro takes his place at the side of white college, as representatives, will men through the force of federal bayonets, gather data on every phase of inblood will flow in the streets of the South." There have been other cross burnings and

public Klan assemblies, but Green disclaims Klan connection with the suspension of a high school athletic coach at Lakeview, Ga.

Pioneer Air Lines Walter Bowland, the coach, said the Klan warned him to get out of town, after a fight Request Extension as companies in deciding on new instructor, Leland said. He attend-products they might make; to suggest new investments in manufacturity and the University of Texas. with a former student.

On politics, the pamphlet says the difference between the national parties now is sider granting an extension of ser- transportation costs and speed de has also joined the department as A strong Klan movement could force just "Tweedledum and Tweedledee. . . as the vice from Midland-Odessa to El liveries to consumers if new plants a law instructor. He is also a gradfor the right as it is most nearly represented and championed by men regardless of party".

> white man's organization; an American, to the routes from Amarillo to El We should process them, too," department as an instructor in gen-Protestant, Gentile organization.

> It says the order stands for development gordo and Las Cruces and from we propose to assemble factual years as special and recording the "bishoot stands for development Lubbock to Albuquerque via Clovis, data along these lines which I beginner in the general insurance of the "highest standards" of citizenship; Tucumcari, Las Vegas and Santa lieve will go a long way toward field. "Rightful" use of the ballot, enforcement of Fe, New Mexico, which were grant- awakening the business and agrilaw by regularly constituted authorities and ed teaching citizens "that their first allegiance is to the United States."

On racial ideals, it states founders of the Pioneer now serves some 17 Texrepublic "never intended that it should fall as cities with daily, scheduled into the hands of an inferior race.'

Governor Thompson of Georgia (where the Klan is strongest) told the truth the other day when he said, "While our senators and representatives in Washington are saying

Spring and Our Roads ...

ly turns to thoughts of travel. Unfortunately particularly in the newer class areas, are travel involves roads, and there enters the perfect grist for the nill of spring quagmire and summer dust.

To reach the outside world, or even to go from gate to down, the student must travel college streets that are hardly flattering to n school that turns out top-notch civil engi-

Most of our major thoroughfares are crowded, but in good repair. It is the minor however, it would be pleasant to see the roadways that are suffering. Some of them streams of Aggles going to the highways inhave been topped with as halt in years past, but are now little less than a series of jarring crew.

In the Spring a young Aggies fancy light- dips and mounds. Those that are unpaved,

During the winter months there was very little work done on the college streets. Anyone who is familiar with College Station winter weather can see the logic for the inactivity.

Now that the sun has reappeared again terspersed with an occassional road repair

What Price Prestige?

John Guedel, the big-shot Hollywood packager of radio shows has conferred vicepresidents' titles on all his 16 employes, along with all the triminings. They have the titles printed on their business eards, placarded on their desks and posted in the building directory. Comes in handy, too, both for Guedel and the staff. Helps the boss get out from under very easy when some disgruntled performer on an audience participation show wants to lodge a gripe within someone in authority. And one of

the secretaries reports that her new title enabled her to cash a check.

At Alfred University a co-ed was overheard to make this statement about how she liked her men. She likes 'em, "tall, dark, and handcuffed."

Seems the pledges for sororities at Madison College go through "goating period."
After meeting some of the "goats", who were shorn of their make-up, one of the profs commented, "I'd like to shake the hand of the man who invented cosmetics.'

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ONE MORE SPRING

Presumably they are born when the flucteds of a speeding hydrogen atom hits an atom of oxygen or some other matter in the air and explodes it. Mesons are products of these explosions. Some have been rated as having plosions. Some have been rated as having of buildings of volts. The Industrial Research Program

A&M research facilities were turned loose today in Texas in an effort to assemble the factual data looking to the industrialization of the state.

The program, the first of its scope to have been undertaken in Texas, is under the supervision of the management engineering department and the

able source.

present and future.

In order to obtain this informa-

tion, which will be available in

printed form to every person, the college will be assisted by the Pur-

chasing Agents' Association and

the chambers of commerce of Tex-

as. In many instances personal con-

Engineering Experiment Station. Holding that Texas produces approximately \$260 per capita per year in raw products-yet processes only \$51 worth of goods per capita—the agencies with Richard A. Downward and Donald K. Andrews, industrial engineers of the dustry and agriculture in Texas.

Smith, president, has announced.

Pioneer requested this extension industrial and agricultural develop-in its original petition in the Ariment of Texas. Joe Vincent, a graduate The pamphlet lists Klan ideals as: A zona-New Mexico case in addition

When the ruling on the new application will be made is not definite, Gen. Smith said.

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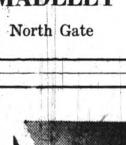
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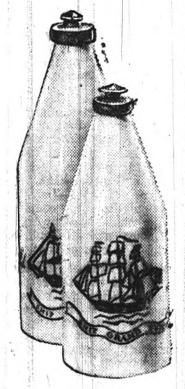
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Loss of Cadet Corps Traditions Could Result From Change in Mess Hall Serving

of nine articles on the current mess hall situation at A&M. The fifth article, entitled "The Hidden Cost" will appear in Thursday's

By LARRY GOODWYN In many controversies, the real issues that decide public opinion issues that decide public opinion such a program would, by its very are often hidden from view. Such nature, cause the abolishment of

cadet life, the reasons why most cadets will stick by family style

ever since the day Sully got his first bath. Its presence has shaped in a score of different forms, the standards of cadet life for years. Aggies have come to live by these standards and they like it. They don't want to see it change.

And thus does family style serving tie in with tradition. Eating "in outfits," marching to mess, student waiters, meal service-all are irrevocably tied in with tradition. Together, they form a feature that distinguishes A&M from other colleges. To the A&M cadet who has ac

Three Additions Made to Business. **Accounting Staff**

tact will be made with every avail-Three additions have been made to the department of business and The program is being initiated accounting teaching staff, T. W. by A&M to be of service to Texas Leland, head of the department,

the general welfare of the state, attorney general of Texas and at-The objectives are: to assist Tex- torney for Brazos County, is a law as companies in deciding on new instructor, Leland said. He attendturing enterprise for Texas capital; Eugene Rush, a graduate

Pioneer Air Lines has asked the to suggest new investments in Tex-Civil Aeronautics Board to recon- as for outside capital; to reduce with a bachelor of laws degree, vide information that will aid the where he received a back



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PALACE

TODAY THRU THURSDAY



This is the fourth in a series | cepted and come to regard these nine articles on the current | traditions as a matter of course. the fact that by changing the system he can save five or ten or even twenty-five cents a day become

comparatively insignificant.

For a while it may prove more economical to eat cafeteria style. are often hidden from view. Such is the case, in part at least, in the Cafeteria vs. Family style issue currently being discussed on the campus.

Family style feeding, despite many "unfortunate" aspects which have long been a source of bleeds on the part of the Cadet Corps, is still favored by a majority of cadets. To people not familiar with eadet life, the reasons why most in the same reason, it would be not of jebs.

The "hidden reason"—tradition—has, indeed, proved to be one of the deciding factors in forming cadet corps opinion of the mess hall situation.

(A more detailed story on the status of cadet corps opinion, based on a type of "Gallup Poll" of the end to meal service, the time-hon-ored duty of freshmen.

Knickerbocker and Durant

ewspaper correspondents and all

thors, during the morning session

bate they staged Monday night in

There is no chance of a new

Russian revolution in the fore

seeable future Knickerbocker said

in answer to another question

Russian control of police power

is too great. "Hitler learned hi

secret police technique from Sta-

lin," Knickerbocker reported

Asked about American suppor

for Franco Spain, Knickerbocker

Checka or NK VD."

Guion Hall.

answered questions about the de

business in all its phases and for has announced.

W. R. Allen, formerly assistant "The Gestapo, bad as it was, was never so bad as the Russian

"We produce the raw products, University of Missouri, joined the Paso via Clovis, Roswell, Alamo- Downward points out. "Therefore, eral insurance. He has spent nine



AN EXOTIC



LENORE ULRIC LUDWIG STOSSEL ARNOLD MOSS rected by IRVING PICHEL

Produced by EDWARD SMALL AN INTERNATIONAL PICTURE meals by serving the cadet corps family style would also suffer from a change to cafeteria style. For although it undoubtedly would be possible to employ some of the waiters in a cafeteria style mess hall, it is doubtful if the present staff of waiters could

serving regardless of its handicaps, may not appear too clear. But, it can all be summed up in one word—tradition. But and Russia Will Not Fight Tradition has been a powerful influence on the A&M campus For 20 Years - Knickerbocker

By VICK LINDLEY

The United States is not apt to go to war with Russia any time soon, H. R. Knickerbocker told a question class of the Great Issues Course yesterday, in his final appearance with Walter Duranty.

Asked the question "Are we going to fight Russia now, or wait 20 years?" Mr. Knicker-bocker replied, "We'll-wait 20 isn't perfect, if we wouldn't be years. I do not think war with Rusballpy with a similar one, we don't years. I do not think war with Russia is inevitable. But even if we knew positively that we would have to fight Russia in 20 were have to support it. But the

knew positively that we would have to fight Russia in 20 years, and that by that time Russia would the Spain. We don't like Franco—that by that time Russia would the Spain. have the same advantage over as the Spanish Civil War was dirtier that we now have over them, you than World War II—but there has couldn't get Congress to declare ceased to be a middle group. Which war."

or Stalin Spain?" Duranty, asked if he thought Russians were supplying equipment to Chinese Reds and Greek guerillas said no. "If that were true, you would hear plenty about it from Chiang Kai Chek and the Greeks. The Chinese Reds appear to be using much old Japanese equipment. And the Greek guerillas are undoubtedly being supplied by other Balkan states.

Philadelphia once had a law forbidding the sale of coal in the city

The famous Boston Tea Party of Dec. 16, 1773 was followed by said, "We in America have a por- six other tea-dunking incidents fectionist complex. If a government throughout the colonies.



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