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"Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman"

Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

Open Letter to Parents . . .

One of the biggest days of the A&M year is Parents' Day, when you mothers and dads come down to see for yourself what we "young fry" are learning.

This year the whole college is turning itself inside out to exhibit itself to you. In fact, you may see more parts of A&M than your son has seen in several years here. We tend to stick to our knitting, and it is very seldom that potential electrical engineers ever poke noses into the Animal Industries Building, or veterinary students ever stroll through the Civil Engineering Halls. You can do both in one afternoon, and find it worth your while.

There are many varieties of life at A&M these days.

Your son may be one of the snappy-looking cadets who will parade for you Sunday morning, or one of the casual veterans, enjoying the right to wear colorful sport shirts outside his trousers.

He may be dwelling in one of the dormitories you will have a chance to inspect—or he may be living with your daughter-in-law and grandchildren over in the College View apartments.

What's more, he may be dependent on money you have saved in order to give him a flying start in life, or he may be on Uncle Sam's veteran subsistence payroll.

As for you, Dad, you may be an old Aggie yourself, or this may be your first trip to College Station. In the first case, you'll want to go around, hunting up your old room and saying "How things have changed!" In the second case, we hope you'll be led to say, "It's quite a place! I didn't realize there was so much going on here."

In any event, you're glad to see your son again, and see what he is doing at College Station. And we're certainly glad to see you.

Corregidor Not Forgotten . . .

Six years ago yesterday Corregidor fortress fell to the Japanese.

The event went unmarked in Manila. There were no parades or memorial rites, no crowds around the Filipino-American shrine. Where the white flag of surrender was raised, the Philippines flag flew at half mast in mourning for the late President Roxas—and not for Corregidor's fallen defenders.

Has Corregidor been forgotten already? In Manila, perhaps, but not here.

To be sure, there was no ceremony on this campus yesterday. But Sunday, when the General George F. Moore trophy flag goes to the top of A&M military outfit, every one in the audience will remember—with stabbing sharpness—that Gen. Moore and many other Aggies were on "The Rock" when the flag was pulled down.

We honor not only parents on Sunday. We also honor the men of Corregidor.

Bullets and States Rights . . .

Credit—or debit—Rep. Wright Patman with the bitterest remark yet made against President Truman in regard to the Civil Rights Program.

In announcing his candidacy for re-election from the First Congressional District, Patman told the Marshall News-Messenger that he is "greatly disappointed in Mr. Truman's so-called 'Civil Rights' message, in violation of state's rights."

"It is ironical," he added, "that the son of a Confederate veteran, who bared his breast to Yankee bullets to preserve states rights should make such a suggestion."

We do hope that the representative isn't assuming to speak for all of those whose ancestors "bared their breasts to Yankee Bullets."

Perhaps Mr. Patman should pursue his rhetoric further and ponder on the people in the next two wars who bared their breasts in behalf of individual rights.

No, it seems that Mr. Patman is confusing a personal view with the views of his constituents. We might go so far as to say that Mr. Patman had "Rather be Wright than Representative."

What, No Comic Books? . . .

Happier, fretting mothers across the nation will bless the Detroit police who have begun to ban indecent comic books from the newsstands.

The ban is carried out in accordance with state laws relating to obscene, indecent and immoral literature, and the comic book distributors have promised to remove the books from sale at once.

Comic magazines dealing with crime or portraying brutal conduct against women, children or race fall in the category of objectionables.

College Station Police would probably set off a civil war if they tried the ban hereabouts. Next to the Bible, the comic books is the most widely perused literature in Brazos County.

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Daniel Berates Supreme Court Decision in Tideland Oil Case

Chief danger in the Supreme Court's ruling on Tideland Oil is the fact that the decision was based on federal need rather than on federal rights as defined in the constitution, Price Daniel, Attorney General of Texas, declared before a joint meeting of the Pre-Law and B&A Societies in Guion Hall yesterday.

Daniel said the implications of the decision go deeper than the single case presented by California, and strike at the very heart of Federal-State relationships. If the decision is not corrected by Congress, Daniel said it will lead to greater centralization of Federal authority with less and less authority being left to the individual states and to the people.

Daniel appeared before the Supreme Court to present the case for forty-six states of the nation, all favoring California in the Tideland dispute. The logical conclusion to the reasoning of those who advocate Federal control of tidelands for the benefit of all the people in the nation, is either Communism or Socialism, Daniel said.

In case the tideland resources are needed for national defense, Daniel said it would be better for the states to be allowed to develop the land under conservation programs, and have the land producing and ready for an emergency. The only way the Federal Government can take private or state property is through the right of eminent domain, and when land is taken in this manner, compensation must be paid to the owner, Daniel said.

In the past administrative agencies of the Federal Government have recognized state ownership of tidelands by buying or leasing the land for Federal purposes, Daniel pointed out. The Federal Government is charging only 25¢ an acre for leases on unproven land at present, he said.

Daniel stated that it was to the interest of the people of Texas to retain the tidelands since the state received \$15 million from the lands last year. Actually, he continued, this land belongs to the people of Texas and is being held in trust by the state with the proceeds going into the state public school fund.

In closing Daniel urged the young people present to take an interest in politics, and to keep the power of the Federal Government from slipping into the hands of a single person.

Congrats to Dairy Team . . .

Congratulations are in order for the 10-man Aggie Dairy Judging Team, which has just been recognized as national champion in the Hoard's Dairyman Cattle Judging Contest.

At one time it was almost an automatic assumption that A&M's judging teams would rank high nationally. This hasn't always been true in recent years, but it seems that, so far as judging is concerned, A&M is not only on the way up again, but has leaped abruptly to the top. A&M is proud of the team.

Dust and More Dust . . .

Clouds of dust still rise from the driveway beside the Water Tower.

Students and instructors are still dodging and jumping out of the way as cars swerve down the drive connecting the two areas.

The cars using the driveway consist of many through cars in addition to the large number that come through on their way to the proper parking area. Why can't those cars use the street provided for that purpose?

The Landscape Art Department, working in conjunction with Campus Security could put an end to this nuisance to college people while they're changing classes.

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Year's Town Hall Series Gives Aggie Audiences Run for Money

By GEORGE GRAINGER

Finis was written across the Town Hall slate for the year when Isaac Stern drew his bow across the violin strings for the last time last night. He was the final performer in a notable array of artists who have brought entertainment to College Station during the year.

The first curtain of the series went up the night of October 13 when Frances Greer, young Metropolitan Opera soprano, sang in Guion Hall.

Christopher Lynch, the young Irish tenor and heir of John McCormack, filled the second Town Hall bill. Lynch, with sweet Iberian voice, enraptured his audience.

On February 10 Tom Scott, the American troubadour, gave a long delayed lesson in the origin of folk music. Scott sang such familiar pieces as "Foggy, Foggy Dew," "Eye Whiskey," and "Froggie Went a-wooing."

Three days later Sidney Foster, youthful South Carolina pianist, presented a near-brilliant program of classical music. Foster received warm applause for his intricate and feasting playing.

A dancer-satirist visited Town

Hall in the first days of March. She was Iva Kitchell who delighted her audience with take-offs and burlesques of the grave and dignified styles of her fellow artists.

Following the Kitchell review came the Westminster Choir, internationally known and celebrated choral group. The Choir under Dr. John Finley Williamson, ranged all the way from 400-year old religious music to the St. Louis Blues in its delightful show.

"Swing and sway" music was the next to drift out of Guion Hall. Sammy Kaye and his orchestra, here to play for an all-college dance, presented an hour concert on Town Hall for the Aggies and for their efforts got bountiful applause and acclamation.

Noble and King, the piano and song team, graced the Guion Hall boards in the next production. There was a program of popular and light semi-classical music which made Aggie audiences clamor for more.

April 20 found a program on the bill by "home-folks" The Singing Cadets, not upon stage with spirituals, religious music and novelty tunes. Of course, the traditional Aggie tunes dovetailed into the show.

North Texas State College sent its group of Madrigal Singers to College Station for the next bill.

Following the Madrigal group pulled off a show that was as pleasant to the ear and spirit as any presented all season long. And to clinch the year's Town Hall series Isaac Stern, one of America's greatest violinists, last night proved that he deserves his reputation. With skill and grace he played his way to the appreciation of his Aggie listeners.

40 Award winners To Visit Campus

Party of some 250 applicants will be given Opportunity Award scholarships next week, Ray Perryman, chairman of the faculty committee on scholarships, announced today.

The choice of recipients for the awards will be made on the basis of need, all-around ability, character, and scholarship. The boys have been invited down to tour the campus during All-College Day this week-end and will be given an abbreviated form of the freshman tests Saturday night at 7.

Stern Finishes Town Hall Season in Burst of Glory

By VICK LINDLEY

Isaac Stern, a great artist with the violin, closed the Town Hall season with a burst of glory last night.

Stern, who has been recognized as one of America's greatest violinists, draws a velvet-smooth tone from his instrument, and exhibited that tonal quality in the two major selections of the program, Wieniawski's Concerto in D minor and Brahms' Sonata in D minor. It is doubtful if anyone plays the Romantic by Wieniawski concerto so well as Stern.

Most striking numbers were four modern dance selections, two Roumanian dances by the late Bela Bartok, arranged by Szekely, and two dances from Prokofiev's "Romance and Juliet."

(This thought came while listening to the 17 r-koffert numbers: the harder Soviet composers try to write Communist music, the more certain they are of appealing to American taste. This is what drives Russian music commissars wild.)

Sarasate's "Caprice Basque" is strictly virtuosic stuff, and Stern made the most of its intricacies. Other numbers on the program were Vivaldi's "Ciaccona," Bloch's

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NEW HAZARD ADDED TO GOLF

DENVER, May 7 (AP)—A new hazard has been added to Willis Case golf course—gophers.

Bob Rounds stepped in a gopher hole on the fairway at the eighth hole. The gopher charged out and bit Round's ankle before the Denver University student could kill it with his putter. Today, Rounds was in the hospital with an infected ankle.