

Boyle Says Man Knows More And More Of Less and Less

By HAL BOYLE
NEW YORK (AP)—Recently I reached my 38th birthday—and with no sense of victory. After 35 a man celebrates a birthday with the morbid pleasure of a small boy picking at a scab on his knee.

Just for the fun of it I sat down and figure out some of the things I didn't know. It was an amazing list—amazing that a man could live so long and learn so little. The man of the future will probably grow to know more and more about less and less.

Here were some of the things I couldn't—and still can't do:
Drive a motor car. (You'd be surprised how many people can't.)
Screw in a light bulb in less than ten minutes.

Tune in a television set or operate a record-changer phonograph. Play any card game except "Old Maid." I also can't play chess, dominoes or assemble a cut-out picture puzzle.

Identify any bone in the human body with certainty except the femur. (The only reason I know this is that a friend of mine broke his, and told me where it was.)
Build anything, including a dog house, although I have spent some of the best years of my life in these structures.

Play a musical instrument or Job Evaluation Needs Backing Of Pay Policy

"A job evaluation program will be only partially successful if it is not backed up by a salary demarcation policy," R. E. Kirkpatrick, New York oil man told the Management Engineering Conference at its closing session here Thursday.

Kirkpatrick said that the salary demarcation policy must "state the company's viewpoint on this subject and lay down the rules under which wages and salaries will be administered. I feel that such a policy should include statements concerning the evaluation of jobs, the manner in which these jobs will be priced and the procedures which will be followed both during the installation of the job evaluation program and after it has been installed.

"The policy," Kirkpatrick, who is head of the job evaluation and salary administration of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, said "should include a definite statement as to what will happen to individual salaries at the end of the installation of the job evaluation program. This is especially pertinent in those cases where an individual's salary might fall outside of the new limits set up for his position.

"In our company we promised our employees during our educational program that each employee whose salary fell below the new group minimum would have his salary increased to at least that minimum; while the employees whose salary fell above the new group maximum would not have his salary reduced as long as he remained on the assignment."

Twain Estate Seeks Letters for Volume
Anyone possessing any letters of Mark Twain is asked to send them to Dixon Vector, editor of Mark Twain papers, H. E. Huntington Library, San Marino 15, California, by the trustees of Twain's estate.

Speak a foreign language.
Blow bubble gum—although I've tried—or mix any drink except a highball or an aspirin parafat.
Bend over and touch the floor without bucking my knees.
All of these disabilities leave me feeling rather useless and helpless. And yet I think the average man everywhere can compile a similar list of his own. Most men no longer could live in the forest like Daniel Boone. And they are trapped in a wilderness world of gadgets that nobody can understand but a technician.

Game, Fish, River Authority High On Legislature Agenda

AUSTIN, Tex., March 28 (AP)—Game, fish and river authority affairs were high on the calendar as the 51st Legislature went back to work today.
It was the 12th week of the session, and that worried look on the faces of many lawmakers was worn by those with bills far down on the agendas of each house. It is going to take many an all-day session, some night meetings and long hours to act on the scores of measures approved by committee and waiting for debate.

The Senate had 190 Senate bills on today's calendar, topped by Grover C. Morris' proposal to set up a Sabine River authority. It had been set for special order.
These were Senate bills alone and does not include measures passed by the House and also pending in the Senate.

The House calendar was not quite so heavy. When it quit work Friday, it was in the midst of debate on a measure giving the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission broader regulatory powers.
Committees were still grinding out work to be added to the burdened calendar.

Fifty-eight public hearings have been announced for House and Senate committees this week. Of these 25 were set for today.
Introduction of three new tax bills in the House topped week.

Petroleum Men Visiting Many Colleges Stop Here

Three members of the Project Placement Committee of the American Petroleum Institute, were visitors on the campus last week. They conferred with Dr. A. A. Jakkula, of the Research Foundation and the staffs of Geology, Chemistry, Physics, Biology, and Soils Departments.

Members of the visiting committee were Dr. D. B. Cox, director of Geological Research of the Gulf Research and Development Corporation; Dr. W. E. Hanson of the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research; and Dr. J. T. Rouse, director of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

These men are on an extended tour of Colleges and Universities in the United States.
ORC Unit Requires Enlisted Personnel
The 420th Malaria Survey Detachment, a reserve officers unit at College Station, has vacancies for eleven enlisted men, according to Captain Albert Stockwell, senior ORC instructor.

Applicants should have some training or knowledge of entomology or parasitology, Captain Stockwell said. The unit will start training meetings the first week in April.
Anyone interested should contact either Captain Stockwell on the second floor of the PMA Building, or Captain Stanley Hicks at Wilson-Bearre Co., Captain Stockwell said.

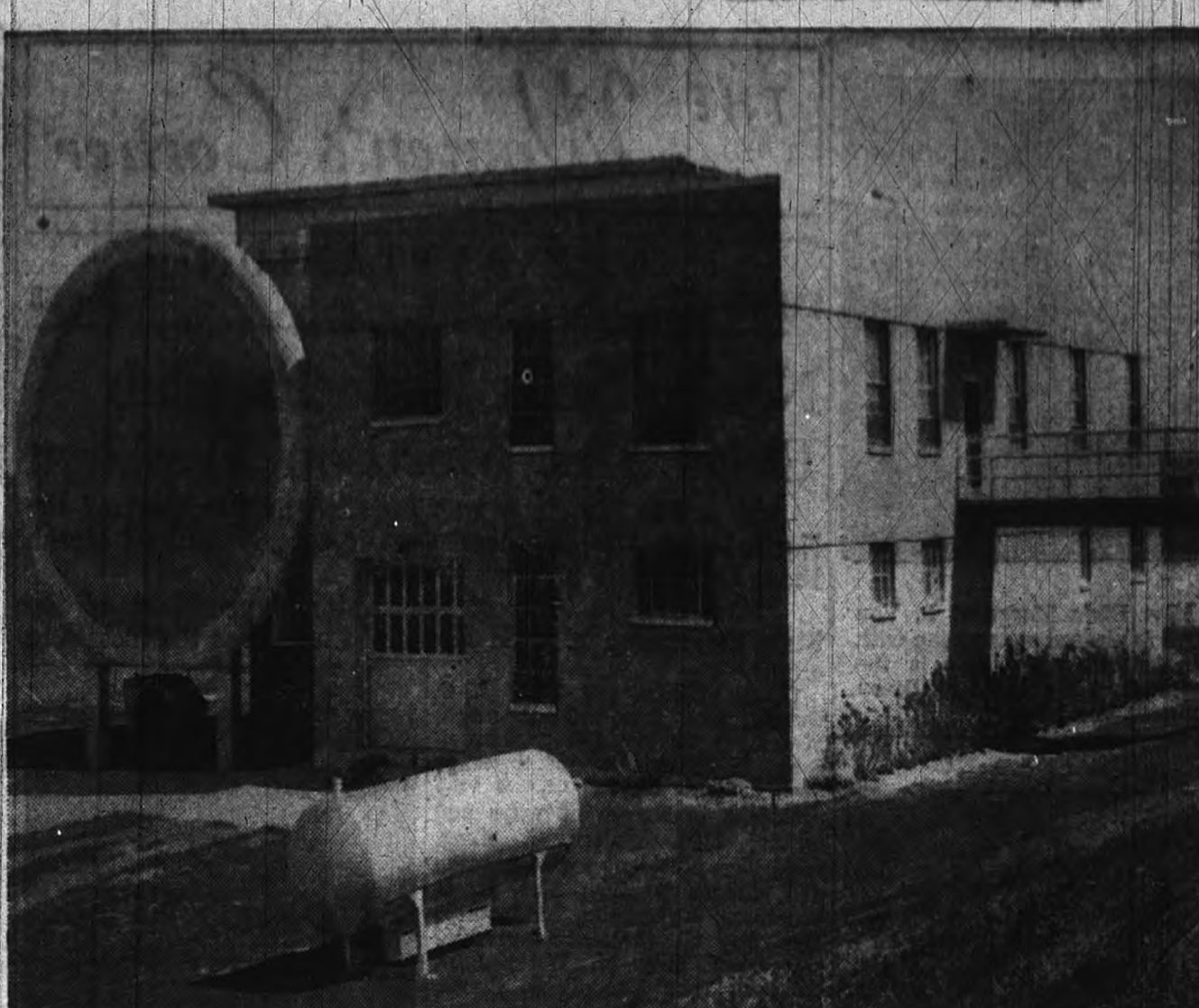
NORTH TEXAS EXPANSION BILL PASSES COMMITTEE
AUSTIN, Tex., March 24 (AP)—Passage of a bill to separate North Texas State Teachers College from the state teachers college setup was recommended Monday night by the Senate Education Committee.

The measure by Senator R. L. Proffer of Justin went to the calendar with a "do pass" tag by unanimous vote. It had originally been scheduled for a hearing before the State Affairs Committee, but was transferred to education.
Proffer was the only witness appearing at the hearing. No opposition was voiced.

He told the committee that the Denton school has expanded beyond the point where it is merely a teacher training institution. He said he believed it would be able to serve better with a separate governing board. If the bill is passed, the school's name would be changed to North Texas State.
The bill would become effective Sept. 1, 1949.

end legislative developments. They were filed with the House clerk to beat the deadline on "free" introduction of bills. From now on, the House must give permission for introduction of new legislation on the theory that it has already bitten off as much or more than it can chew. The Senate passed that deadline two weeks ago.
One of the tax bills, by Rep. Joe Fleming of Henderson, was an omnibus measure, increasing the levy on oil, gas, sulphur, alcoholic beverages, etc. He said it was merely a dummy, introduced in case it will be needed.
The other tax bills increased the present levies on crude oil and natural gas.
Action on these and other pending revenue-raising measures awaits the showdown on the spending-taxation issue.

Lynch Reports On Tectonic Research Underway at A&M
S. A. Lynch, head of the Geology Department, returned last week from a meeting of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists in St. Louis, where he gave a report to the Research Division of the Association on experimental work in tectonics done at A&M.
The project, which is being carried on jointly by the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, and the Geology Department, will aid greatly in finding oil.
In the project, a model of a section of the earth is constructed. The model is as close to the actual earth and construction of the model as possible. Stresses are applied to points on the surface to determine what occurs when the earth is subjected to stresses.
The project has many practical applications, but its main purpose is to aid geologists in finding oil, Lynch said.



The wind can now blow through the wind tunnel at Easterwood Airport, for a powerful engine and four bladed propeller were recently installed. Plans are now being made to use the tunnel for research in the field of aircraft design.

Big Wind From Easterwood . . . Wind Tunnel Engine Placed, Research Projects Planned

By EMIL BUNJES, JR.
For the past five years A&M has had the only major wind tunnel in the colleges of the southwest. During that time it has been under construction, but not until last week has that wind tunnel been in operation. Wartime equipment shortages were the source of the delay in construction.
According to Edward E. Brush, head of the Aeronautical Engineering Department, a month of careful calculations and calibration must pass before the tunnel can be used for research purposes. Trial runs last week produced speeds of approximately 60 mph and it appeared that considerably higher speeds would be possible.
The tunnel, located at Easterwood airport, is over a hundred feet in length and is operated by a 1500 horsepower motor.
Attached to this electric motor, which is rated at a continuous 1000 horse-power, is a four-blade war-surplus airplane propeller that rapidly draws air through the tunnel. These blades were originally 16 feet long but had to be cut to a length of 12 feet-four inches to fit the diameter of the end of the tunnel.
Shaped somewhat like an hour-glass lying on its side, the tunnel narrows to a seven by ten foot rectangular section in the center. It is in this part that the model planes are balanced where the wind blows the strongest.
"The main use of a wind tunnel," says Brush, "is to evaluate new plane designs before building them, and to do research in all branches of aerodynamics."

Microfilm Reader Now In Library
A Kodak microfilm reader has been added to the facilities of Cushing Memorial Library, Paul Balance, librarian, announced today.
The reader will make it possible for the library to add all the missing copies of old and scarce periodicals to the files. Many of these publications are not available in their original form, but microfilm copies can be obtained.
The machine added to the library can be adapted to both 16 mm. and 35 mm. film.
At the present time the library is receiving two microfilm editions of newspapers, both on 35 mm. and it is possible, Balance stated, that others will be added later.
The machine is located in the stacks, and all persons who wish to make use of it must request permission at either the Loan or Reference Desk, Balance said.
A storage cabinet is kept near the machine. It contains a special humidifying compartment designed to keep the film in the best possible condition.
Balance requested that all persons and departments having microfilm rolls bring them to the library for classification and storage. In this manner, Balance added the films may be made available to everyone at school.

UNDERWATER SWIMMING SHOTS SHOWN ON TV
PRINCETON, N. J. (AP)—The first underwater shots in television history were shown during the recently televised Army-Princeton swimming meet.
A long narrow corridor on one side of the swimming pool in the new \$7,000,000 Dillon Gymnasium has three airtight windows for pictures of underwater action.
Cameras were set up behind the windows and viewers saw the divers leave the board, the break as they hit the water and finally underwater shots as they swam to the surface.
NBC televised the meet, won by Army, 43-32.

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FFA Contests Get Radio Coverage
Clay Sparks, Julian Sleeper, Jack Donaldson, and Harold Clark, members of the FFA Radio Club, will travel to Huntsville March 29 to cover the State Future Farmer contests.
These contests are held each spring at Sam Houston State Teachers College, and people from all over the state attend, Sparks said.
The members of the FFA Radio Club will gather news of the contests to use on broadcasts from WTAW. Some of the news will be broadcast over the Texas Farm and Home Program, and the rest will be used on the weekly program To-Day in Agriculture, Sparks concluded.

AIEE Hears Talk On Far-off Dialing
A new type of long distance telephone system is now being installed in some of the larger cities. L. L. Burns, class of '22, told the meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in Houston last Wednesday.
The new system utilizes the dial system between all cities. The subscriber calls the long distance operator as now but the inter-operator calls are eliminated by the operator dialing the long distance party directly. In this way calls that now take 30 minutes can be done in two, Burns told the group.
Representing A&M at the conference was H. C. Dillingham, W. F. Adams, A. E. Silas, and Charles Ingraham.

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Garbage Containers In College Station Area To Be Inspected

Raymond Rogers, city manager of College Station, will conduct an inspection of garbage containers being used by the residents of this city.
His investigation will be a preliminary to the clean-up campaign which will open officially on April 3 and continue throughout that week, Rogers said.

Engineer Asks Working Policy For Industry

A good workable wage policy, a merit rating plan and a standard hour type of incentive plan, were urged by William A. Busby, superintendent of industrial engineering, Texas Foundries at Lufkin, at the closing session of the Management Engineering Conference at A&M Thursday.
He spoke on merit rating procedures on "recommendations for developing, installing and operating your own plan for rating employee performance."

A good workable wage policy for plant employees should include first, a wage structure established by sound job evaluation methods comprised of job groups each of which has a designated minimum and maximum wage or hourly rate, Busby told the 135 registrants from many sections of the United States.
"The actual value of these rates should, of course, be determined by a job evaluation rating factor as applied to the minimum rate necessary in order to hire unskilled labor for the jobs included in the lowest job classification."

"A merit rating plan should be used to evaluate employee performance on the job and to determine approximately where, within the minimum and maximum range, the employee's rate should be established.
A standard hour type of incentive plan should be installed based upon production standards established by sound time study practice. This incentive should allow the average skilled worker, by extra effort, to make a reasonable bonus over and above his previously established hourly rate, for above standard quantity and quality production."

Job Hunters Sell Themselves To Get Jobs, Horsley Says
Wendell R. Horsley, director of the Placement Office, states that Aggies are going to have to learn how to sell themselves to prospective employers.
"The main trouble with Aggies when they apply for a job or are being interviewed, Horsley believes is that they have no definite job in mind. They have the attitude of 'what do you have to offer me?'"
If a man has some definite job in mind when he enters A&M and plans his courses to prepare him for that profession, he has a much better chance of being employed in the field that he is interested in when he graduates, Horsley said.

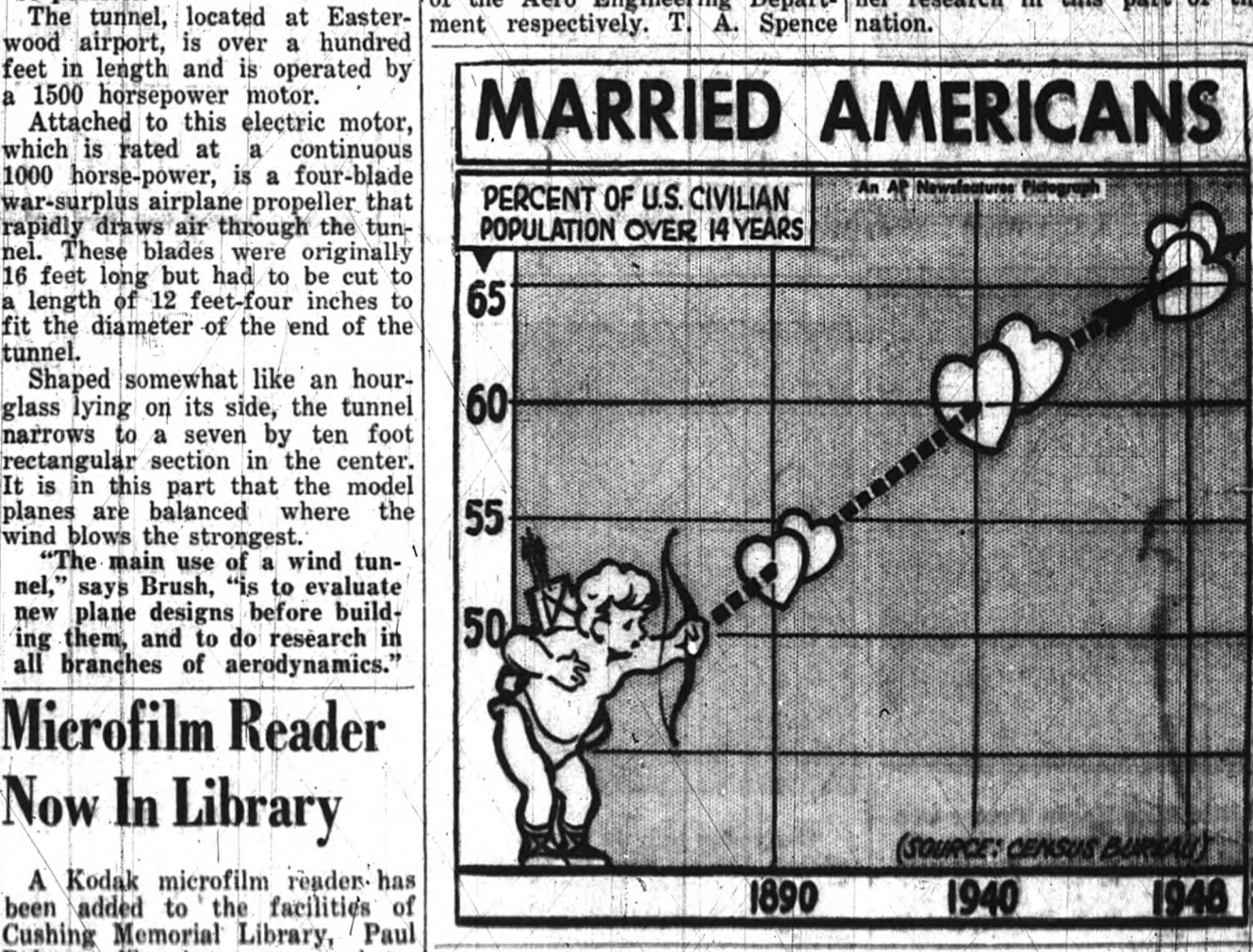
"This attitude of 'what do you have to offer me' has and will in the future cause many Aggies to fail to be employed in the jobs they desire.
Horsley said there is no decrease in the number of companies looking for employees this year, but the men they employ must meet higher scholastic standards. In the future, Horsley believes, there will be a great increase in competition for jobs.
Horsley reports that many companies are looking for under-graduate students to employ for the summer.

Ag Station Beef Breeding Program Gets Gifts, Loans
Several animals either on a loan basis or as gifts, have been made available to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, R. D. Lewis, director of the station, announced today.
"In order to make possible more rapid initiation of our beef cattle and dairy cattle breeding projects, several breeders in Texas have agreed to make animals available to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station," Dr. Lewis said.

The donors, gift or loans and project, include, Raleigh Sanborn, Bay City, a 1948 Brahman heifer, a gift for beef breeding; Wilburn S. Gibbs, Huntsville, Brahman female; L. M. Stone, Bay City, Brahman heifer; R. Newell Waters, Weslaco, Brahman heifer calf; Stewart Savage and Sons, Bay City, Brahman heifer; J. W. Fats, Hidalgo, Brahman heifer, loans, all for beef breeding.
Clifford Bros., of F. A. Clifford Weslaco, two Brahman heifers; D. Guerra and Sons, McAllen, Brahman heifer; Lizzie Wilbeck Estate by S. A. Wilbeck, Huerguero, Brahman heifer, loans, all for dairy breeding.

Meats Lab Supplies Mess Halls, Profs And Butcher Shop
"Along with the Dairy Department, we supply part of the food that is used in the college dining hall and also by the general public," O. D. Butler, professor of the Meats Lab of the Animal Husbandry Department said today.
"The Meats Lab serves the two purposes of instructing students, the meats courses and giving practical instruction in marketing, production, bio-chemistry, and veterinary medicine."
Marketing instruction is offered by providing a follow-up from the live animal to the carcass. Reproduction classes obtain specimens while the animals are being processed, as do students of bio-chemistry. Veterinary medicine class inspect each carcass before it is sold, Butler said.
Many college employees at members of the faculty have lockers in the 220-locker-frozen food compartment in the basement of the Animal Husbandry Building. Meat is supplied them by the Meats Lab.
During the war, the Meats Lab was operated full-time to supply most of the meat for the dining halls and mess shops in Bryan.
The Meats Lab has most of the facilities that are found in large scale packing plants and offers full curriculum in meats, now the new sausage kitchen is complete, Butler concluded.

ELECTION EXPENSIVE; LOST HAT IN RING
PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—M. Louis Hoocker, unsuccessful candidate for city director, filed a statement of campaign expenses with the city clerk:
"One hat lost in ring—59 cents. Two cents sales tax for hat. Tot 61 cents."



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