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THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1949

Aggie Muster Will Be Held Tonight . . .

Tonight, on the anniversary of Texas Independence day, Aggies all over the world will observe the annual Aggie Muster.

At this one time every year Aggies come as near as they will ever come to realizing what Aggie "spirit" they may have.

We customarily use the term "Aggie Spirit" as a generic classification either as a joking expression for a gay mood at football games or an attempt to describe our feeling for our school at more serious times.

Actually there is a great deal more to it than that. A&M men have traditionally had just a bit more feeling for their parent institution and their fellow students than the average college graduate. A&M ex-student organizations are a little more prevalent and stronger, and Aggie exes regard each other with a little more mutual respect than the conventional every-ten-year-reunion, old-school-tie, attitude.

We believe this is due to a number of things. Because of the economic groups they come from and the common goal for which they are working together, A&M

Can't Tell A Thing Without A Program . . .

Some members of the House of Representatives in Austin proved to be the die-hard variety yesterday when the first of the Gilmer-Aikin school re-organization bills came up to a vote.

When they saw that things were apt to go against them, they simply disappeared and left the House without a quorum.

A quorum is a mighty handy thing to have in the legislating business. It's like a lion tamer's chair, whip and pistol all wrapped in one—you can do without them until the lion finds out. In legislating you can do without a quorum until the opposition finds out.

The anti-Gilmer-Aikin forces turned up missing when the first vote was taken and there was no quorum. So the House ordered the Sergeant-at-Arms and his

The Passing Parade . . .

Here is some possibly significant news from Washington. (AP quote)

A half billion dollar cut in veterans' administration funds highlighted a \$7,576,886,231 multi-agency money bill approved today by the House Appropriations Committee.

The bill carries funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1 for 28 so-called independent agencies, including \$5,145,431,940 for the veterans' administration and \$1,090,120,397 for the atomic energy commission.

The atomic energy commission's share of the bill is \$1,090,120,397, consisting of

Here's a tricky bridal description from the Dalton (Ga.) Citizen:

"A slight flair in the skirt extended into a train. A coronet of lilies of the valley held her ice blue illusion, and she carried a bouquet."

The Battalion

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Lawrence Sullivan Ross, Founder of Aggie Traditions

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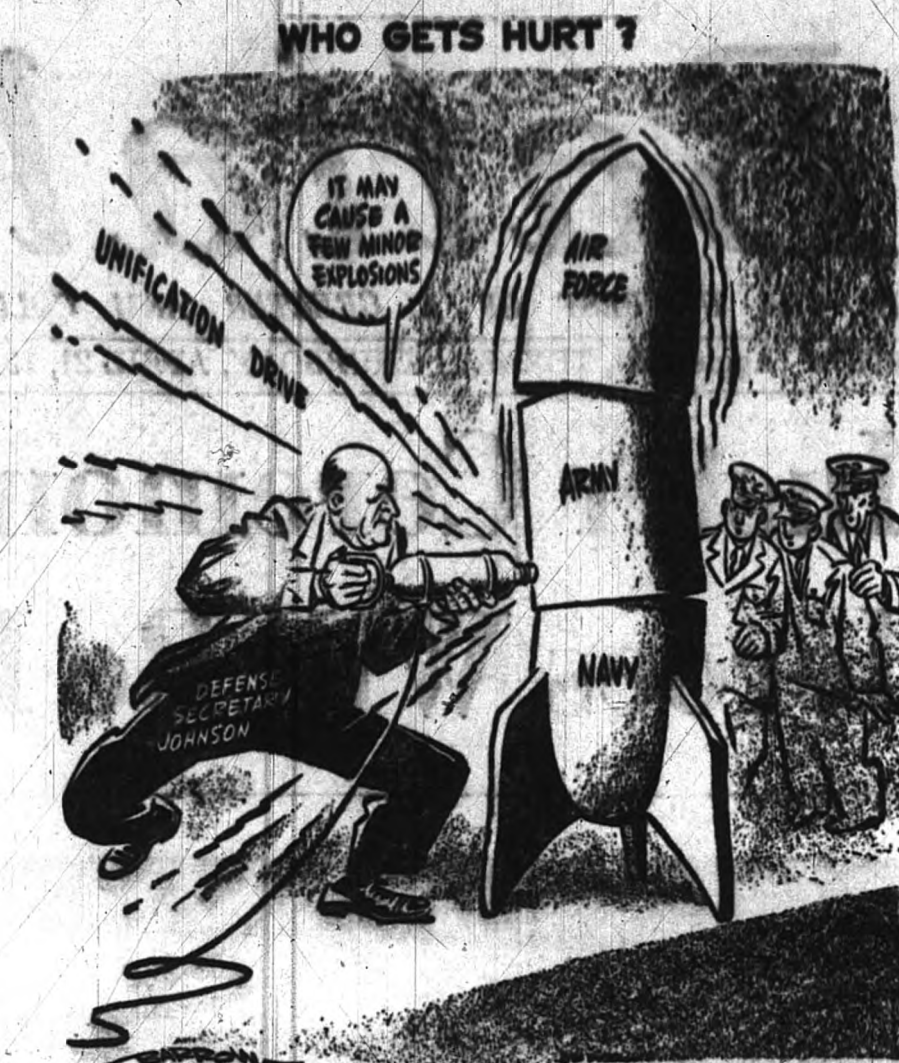
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Between the Bookends . . .

"A Solo in Tom-Toms" Is Gene Fowler Autobiography

By HERMAN C. GOLLOP
A Solo in Tom-Toms by Gene Fowler (Viking Press, 1946, \$6.)
Herewith Gene Fowler adds one more figure—himself—to the list of notables whose lives he has recreated so vividly in such biographies as "Timber Line" and "Good Night, Sweet Prince."
Fowler has not been as kind to himself in "A Solo . . ." as he was to John Barrymore in "GNSP." After lavishing hearty paens upon the late Mr. B., Fowler succeeded in thoroughly whitewashing the character of the "bad boy" of the stage. In his autobiography, however, Fowler speaks almost disparagingly of himself, concentrating instead on the lives and characters with whom he came into contact while a youth and while in the early stages of manhood. Among those who appear are Buffalo Bill, Ivy Baldwin, the daring acrobat, Jack Dempsey, and Paul Whiteman.
"A Solo" takes up Fowler's quest for his father after he ran away to the mountains as a result of a disagreement with Gene's strong, stubborn, stern Granny over a cup of coffee. Granny, incidentally, is one of the book's stronger characters, pictured by Fowler as sturdy and independent, a typical pioneer woman.
Only after thirty years, during which time Gene had seen much of life as a taxidermist's helper, delivery boy for a grocery store which kept Denver's more pretentious houses of ill repute supplied with groceries, a printer's devil, and reporter for such hardhitting and colorful papers as the Denver Post and Denver Republican, does he finally meet his father, a mild, friendly introvert.
Fowler's account of his days as a novice in the newspaper game is invaluable to the college student who plans a journalistic career. Editors, reporters, and newspaper men's boots all come sharply into focus under Fowler's pen.

AMBITIOUS THIEF
PARIS. (AP)—Paris police attempted to track down today a cagy thief who may have bitten off more than he can chew.
Officers said someone broke into a local circus this morning and stole a lion.

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Students who will be classified Juniors or above at the close of the current semester and who expect to register in the School of Engineering for the SUMMER or FALL semester will be required to have in their possession at registration their degree plan card.
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Job Calls

- INTERVIEWS**
- (1) April 25-26—Firestone Tire & Rubber Company to interview men for development as members of sales and managerial staff.
 - (2) April 26—Kerr-McGee Oil Industries, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to interview mechanical and petroleum engineers for drilling and production.
 - (3) April 26-27—Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company to interview men for positions as sales and managerial staff.
 - (4) April 26-27—Texas Employers Insurance Company to interview mechanical, electrical, civil, management, and chemical engineers for safety engineering.
 - (5) April 27—North America Companies to interview men interested in a career in insurance.
- ENGINEERING**
- (1) The Cooke County Electric Cooperative Association, Muenster, Texas, has an opening for an electrical engineer on construction and maintenance work, soliciting new members and right of way; operation and maintenance of two-way radio equipment, etc.
- SALES**
- (1) The Modern Optics Incorporated, Houston, Texas, is interested in employing men to be trained for technical sales work. Prefer men six feet or taller, who are free to travel. This company manufactures partially-processed bifocal and trifocal lenses.
 - (2) The Murphy Chair Company, Owensboro, Kentucky, has an opening for a man to start as assistant sales manager, handling office sales routine and supervising the inside sales department employees. Prefer man with sales experience.
- TEACHING**
- (1) There is an opening for a vocational electricity instructor for the Waukegan Township Secondary Schools, Waukegan, Illinois, for next year. The teacher must qualify for a Smith-Hughes Vocational Certificate in Electricity and Electronics. Prefer someone with teaching experience.
 - (2) There is an opening as head coach at Vivian High School in The Caddo Parish in Louisiana. Applicants must be well acquainted with football and know something about other sports as well.
- CIVIL SERVICE**
- (1) The U. S. Department of the Interior has announced openings as cadastral engineer in the region which embraces Montana, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas. The survey parties are in the field about six months of the year and in the office the remaining period.
 - (2) The Corps of Engineers has announced openings for engineers for careers in all phases of engineering in connection with construction of River and Harbor Works, flood control dams and structures, and military construction.
- VETERINARY MEDICINE AGRICULTURE**
- (1) The Chamber of Commerce of Watonga, Oklahoma, is interested in locating a veterinarian to establish practice in that community.
 - (2) The Burnet County Producers Association has an opening for a man to work as manager. His duties would consist of buying and selling of grain, wool, and mill feeds.
- SUMMER EMPLOYMENT**
- (1) The Cooper-Bessemer Corporation has openings for junior students for summer work in Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Students must be willing to go to Mt. Vernon at their own expense for personal interviews.
 - (2) The Boy Scouts of America have announced opportunities for summer work as camp staff.
 - (3) The U. S. Department of the Interior has openings for summer work for civil engineers in Montana, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. Work will involve survey of land boundaries.

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