

Invite a Few Guests for the Festivities . . .

This Saturday all the departments on the campus will bring out their most complex and fascinating educational devices, display their best work of the semester, and generally do their best to impress the horde of visitors which will tour the campus for Open House Day.

Originated by a few departments, who wished to entertain the visitors here for Mother's Day ceremonies, the few displays have evolved first into large scale exhibits by Agriculture and Engineering departments, and finally into the Open House day as we have known it for the past two years.

There is no doubt it will be a good show. What we want to assure now, is that we have the maximum possible audience to witness the exhibitions. If at all possible, invite your parents here for Open House Day.

Leo Durocher; His Trials and Tribulations . . .

Sports page followers read today that Lippy Leo Durocher, Manager of the New York Giants and perennial stormy petrel of baseball, had been reinstated by Commissioner Chandler and was at liberty to rejoin his club today.

There were several versions, and just as many opinions, of the incident which led to Durocher's temporary suspension. The fan who brought the assault charge against Durocher charged the Giant manager had struck and kicked him. Durocher denied striking the fan and countered that the fan ran onto the playing field, after heckling the manager during the game, and attempted to snatch his (Durocher's) cap. This version was substantiated by a large number of witnesses one of which said he accidentally tripped over the fan.

Hospital attendants, who inspected the allegedly injured plaintiff, released him as uninjured. Chandler cleared and reinstated Durocher, after a brief hearing, saying there was insufficient evidence to warrant any action against him.

The Lip has always been a storm center in baseball. Equipped with a fiery temper and highly competitive spirit, he frequently rhabrbs with officials and opposing players. He has been involved in a few affairs we thought he might have

Another group which we should be most concerned in having here, is the young men who are thinking about entering college. No matter how good a school is, how brilliant a faculty it has, or how excellent its facilities, it will never be a great school if its students are of a poor caliber.

Each year athletic teams scower the country far and wide, searching the state high schools for talent. When they find young men with ability, they offer them unlimited inducements to enroll in their respective colleges. Yet no one gives more than passing consideration to bright young men in scholastic circles.

There is no better time than this Open House Day to begin soliciting this higher academic timber for A&M. If you know of some promising young men soon to graduate from your local high school, invite them down for the show Saturday.

We would do well to make A&M the pace setter in academic recruiting.

displayed more wisdom in staying out of. But he has always played the game for everything he had in him, and as a player and manager he has been all for the ball players.

And as a ball player, Durocher, or any other athlete, does not relinquish the right of person and privacy that other citizens enjoy. When a fan buys his ticket he purchases the right to watch the player give his best performance. Some people feel he also buys the right to sit in the stands and call the player the names which if uttered in the corner tavern, would leave him beaten and unmourned. He definitely does not receive the right to storm onto the playing field and tear off portions of the players uniform.

The Durocher case is just one in a long series. Players for the Yankees and Phillies, to name but two recent examples, have had fans attempt to steal their caps.

Baseball is, and well deserves to be, the national sport. Enthusiastic fans add much to the sport by their rabid support, and interest in the games. But there is such a thing as carrying it too far.

The Baseball Commissioner seems to be keeping a tight rein on the players. We wish there was such an individual to keep the more enthusiastic fans restrained on their side of the backstop.

As a consulting engineer the people should seek out a man by the name of Adolph Hitler, who we are sure must have spent many sleepless nights devising ways of getting over, under, across, or around tunnel under the English channel. (end quotes).

The Passing Parade . . .

This provocative thought on world communication and commerce comes from London. (AP quote).

Delegations from the parliaments of six European countries have urged Britain and France to consider building a tunnel under the English channel. (end).

The way to make money in your spare time is not to have any spare time.

How pleasant it would be if everyone for whom life is a song would stay in key.

The Battalion

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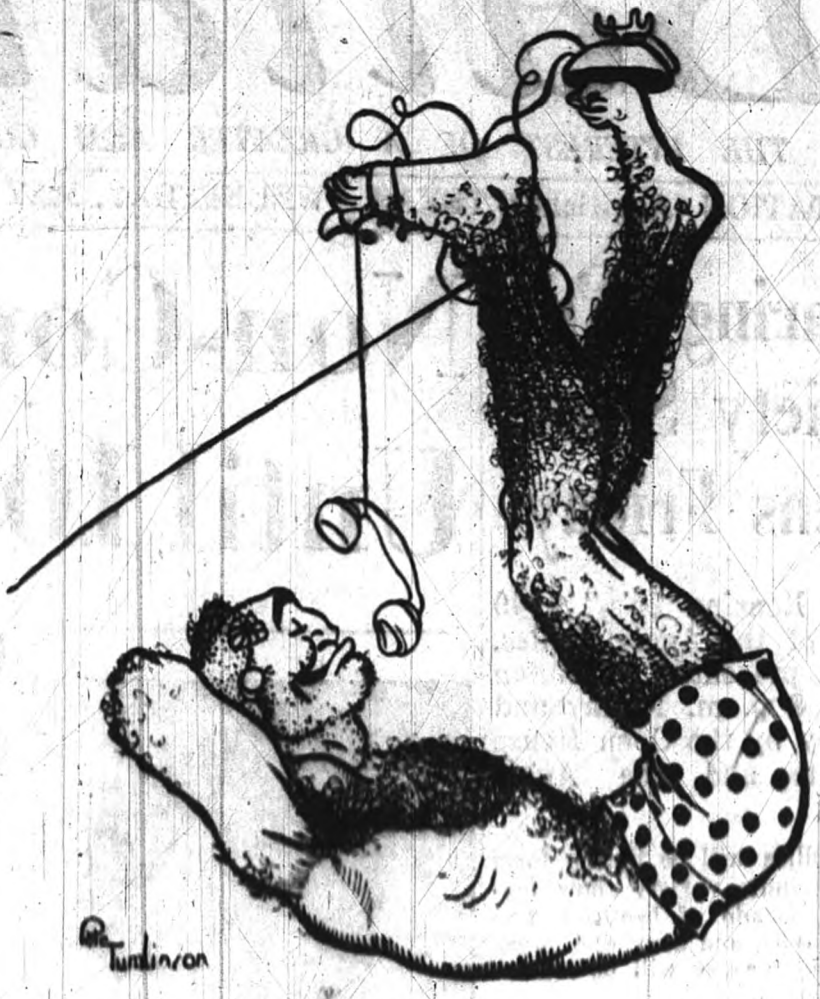
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"Coltany me mudder is comin' down for All College day, Moigatroyd, why don't youse come down too?"

Editors Confused By Local Baptists

By KENNETH BOND

How confused can a newspaper staff get? After three experiences with the local and state Baptists in this area, we are no longer sure.

It all began about two months ago. Prentiss Chunn brought a news story and a picture of a new Baptist building which was to be built at the North Gate. The next day Reverend R. L. Brown, pastor of the local Baptist Church, brought a news story and a picture of a new Baptist building which would be built at the North Gate.

Unsuspectingly we looked at the two pictures, and decided that they were different shots of the same building. Both of the news stories referred to a Baptist building which would be built one block north of the Gate.

A reporter combined the two stories, and the story was printed with one of the two pictures. We didn't have long to wait; local Baptists besieged The Battalion office. Reverend Brown assured us that the College Station Church was constructing an Education Building on the east side of the street. Mr. Chunn equally convinced us that the Texas Baptist Association was building a Baptist Student Center on the west side of the street.

Our faces were red; anyone should know that more than one group of Baptists was building in College Station.

The Battalion and the Baptists did not come in contact again until last Monday. Monday's paper carried a story describing the Baptist Education Building to perfection. It discussed the awarding of the contract to R. B. Butler of Bryan to build; it gave the exact sum to be spent and all other pertinent information. The only trouble was the building was referred to as belonging to the College Station Methodist Church.

We were frustrated by this time. Just as we began to lash ourselves about the head and shoulders, Reverend Brown and the publicity chairman for the other Baptists came into the office.

Reverend Brown had a news story about the Education Building, and the publicity chairman had a news story about the Student Center. To clinch his point Mr. Brown asked that an advertisement be put in The Batt showing the present and future facilities of the College Station Baptist Church.

It's now clear in our minds. Mr. Chunn and the State Baptists are building a Baptist Student Center on the west side of the street; Reverend Brown and the College Station Baptist Church are erecting an Education Building next to the church.

We are glad to see the enlarged-building programs, and we hope that their building programs continue. We do wish however, that they would erect all future buildings at staggered times.

We have been too confused to go through all this again.

Joint Texoma Pact Draws Step Nearer

OKLAHOMA CITY, May 4 (AP) A joint compact between Oklahoma and Texas for Lake Texoma fishing permits was a step closer today.

Gov. Roy J. Turner signed a joint resolution authorizing Oklahoma's participation yesterday. The compact provides for a \$5 seasonal license for the entire lake which lies along the border of the states. A ten-day permit would cost \$1.25.

Licenses now must be obtained for each side of the lake. About 70 per cent of it lies in Oklahoma, and that state would get 70 per cent of revenue from the joint permits.

Game and Fish Commissions of the two states are expected to confer soon to complete the pact.

Official Notice

AGRICULTURAL STUDENTS

The U. S. Department of Agriculture needs avocational students interested in a career in that department. I have just received a copy of U.S.D.A. Miscellaneous Publication No. 975, entitled "Opportunities for Career Service in the United States Department of Agriculture." This publication gives information regarding fields of work, nature, and terms of employment. Interested students are invited to inspect this publication in my office.

Chas. N. Sheppard, Dean of Agriculture

AGRICULTURAL STUDENTS

All agricultural students who are currently enrolled in their fourth semester at A. & M. and all transfer students who plan to register for summer school this summer will be required to present their approved degree plans when presenting their assignment cards for approval at summer registration. Students who have not completed their degree plans should check with the head of their major department as soon as possible.

Chas. N. Sheppard, Dean of Agriculture

Job Calls

A private club near Houston has an opening for a swimming instructor during the summer months and for weekends until about October 1. The instructor will live at the club and his board and room will be furnished. The actual life guard duties are not heavy, but ability to instruct beginners in swimming is of importance. The salary would be approximately \$150 per month.

Camp Woodland Springs, located near Dallas, has openings for two men for year-round counseling. Employment will begin June 1. The camp is operated as a decentralized camp for boys seven to fourteen years old inclusive. Counselors have full responsibility for the group in all phases of their camp activities. The salary is \$3.75 per month plus room and board.

Shneider Products Company, distributor of plastic products, is interested in hearing from students who would like to sell a large complete line of household plastic products during their summer vacation period.

The Department of State has announced that twelve grants are now available for American citizens to teach in American-sponsored schools in Greece. The teaching will be done in English. The grants will be made for one school year of approximately nine months, which begins September 1, 1949. The salary will approximate \$4,000 plus cost of living bonus. This program is sponsored by the American Schools Service of the American Council on Education.

For further information, contact the Placement Office. Application forms are also available.

Jobs in Alaska For Radio Experts

The Civil Aeronautics Administration has openings for a number of qualified single men as aircraft communicators in Alaska, at starting salaries of \$3718 a year.

Basic qualifications for the job are the ability to transmit and receive International Morse Code at a minimum of 30 words and ability to type 35 words a minute; and eighteen months of aeronautical communications experience or an acceptable equivalent in education and experience.

Applicants other than veterans must be between 18 and 40 and in good health and have particularly good hearing, vision, and speech.

Applicants should send Federal Application Form 57, obtainable at post offices and state employment offices to the C.A.A. Aeronautical Center, P. O. Box 1082, Oklahoma City, 1, Oklahoma.

Farm Management Specialist Returns

C. H. Bates, A&M extension farm management specialist, returned today from Memphis, Tennessee, where he attended the Farm Management Planning Conference, according to J. D. Prewitt, acting director of the Texas Extension Service.

The conference was sponsored by the Farm Foundation, and will be attended by representatives of the Extension Service, United States Department of Agriculture from Washington, D. C., and the Experiment Station, Prewitt said.

Sneak Preview . . .

Warner Continues Parade Of Westerns With McCrea Epic

By HERMAN C. GOELOB

South of St. Louis (Warner's) starring Joel McCrea and Alexis Smith (Palace).

When Joe Moviegoer walks out of "South of St. Louis," he's going to have the strange idea that he's seen it somewhere before. And he has, for this is a standard western cocktail, served up with the usual ingredients: two jiggers of hard riding and fast shooting, a jigger of love, and a liberal dash of technicolor.

SOUL digs way back and comes up with the "Three Bells" angle; this one laid in the Civil War era. Joel McCrea, Zachary Scott, and Douglas Kennedy are co-owners of the "Three Bells" saloon, which is destroyed by "Blas" Victor Jory and his southern guerrillas. Heedless of the pleas of Dorothy Malone, Joel goes to sleep, the tin tramps to Brownsville, north of Yankee troops, where Joel splatters Jory's bulk across tables and over the bar.

Kenedy, filled with yesties, becoming that of a King Arthur Knight, decides to join the Confederate army, leaving Joel and Zack to raise money for the rebuilding of the "Three Bells," which is McCrea's one passion now. Joel encounters Alexis Smith, a shapely, sultry saloon singer and agrees to deliver a load of furniture for her. He is jailed when the furniture turns out to be guns ready for shipment to rebel troops, but Alexis arranges for his escape on the condition that he and Scott smuggle guns for Mexico to Texas.

While in the gun-running business, they run into a competitor, Victor Jory, the trigger-happy character with the dark scowl and evil smile. By now, Scott is becoming ruthless, selfish, and money-crazy. Adopting nasty man Bob Steele (a familiar face to patrons of the horse opera) as his side-camp, Scott breaks faith with Joel and Kenedy, attempts to shoot the latter, and sends Bob out to finish off Joel.

Joel, thoroughly fed up by now, since his fiancée is engaged to Kenedy and his dream of a new "Three Bells" seems gone, goes to Matamoros with Alexis, who has had her sights on him from the beginning. Zack has control of Brownsville, a rough and rowdy gambling town; Kenedy, still the righteous soul, is a Ranger now, and bringing wife Malone with him, comes to clean up Brownsville. Dottie becomes frantic when Kenedy refuses to listen to Zack's warning, a favorite among western desperadoes: "get out of town or I'll see you to Matamoros and bleed with Joel, who is eating his heart out the quick way, with 'likker,' to come to her husband's aid, and his ex-buddy's aid. McCrea, after first refusing, finds he is still bound by strong ties of friendship, and rides to Brownsville.

The cast does the best by the mediocre script. McCrea makes a fine cowboy with his simple, honest face and easy-going manner; Scott does a good job as the bad apple, and Dorothy Malone and Alexis Smith are nice to look at. When acting and direction bog down, the technicolor camera is on hand to pick out a beautiful stretch of scenery or a brightly-bedecked dancing girl.

SOUL is an empty and elaborate as a hand-carved, ruby-studded, gunless holster.

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